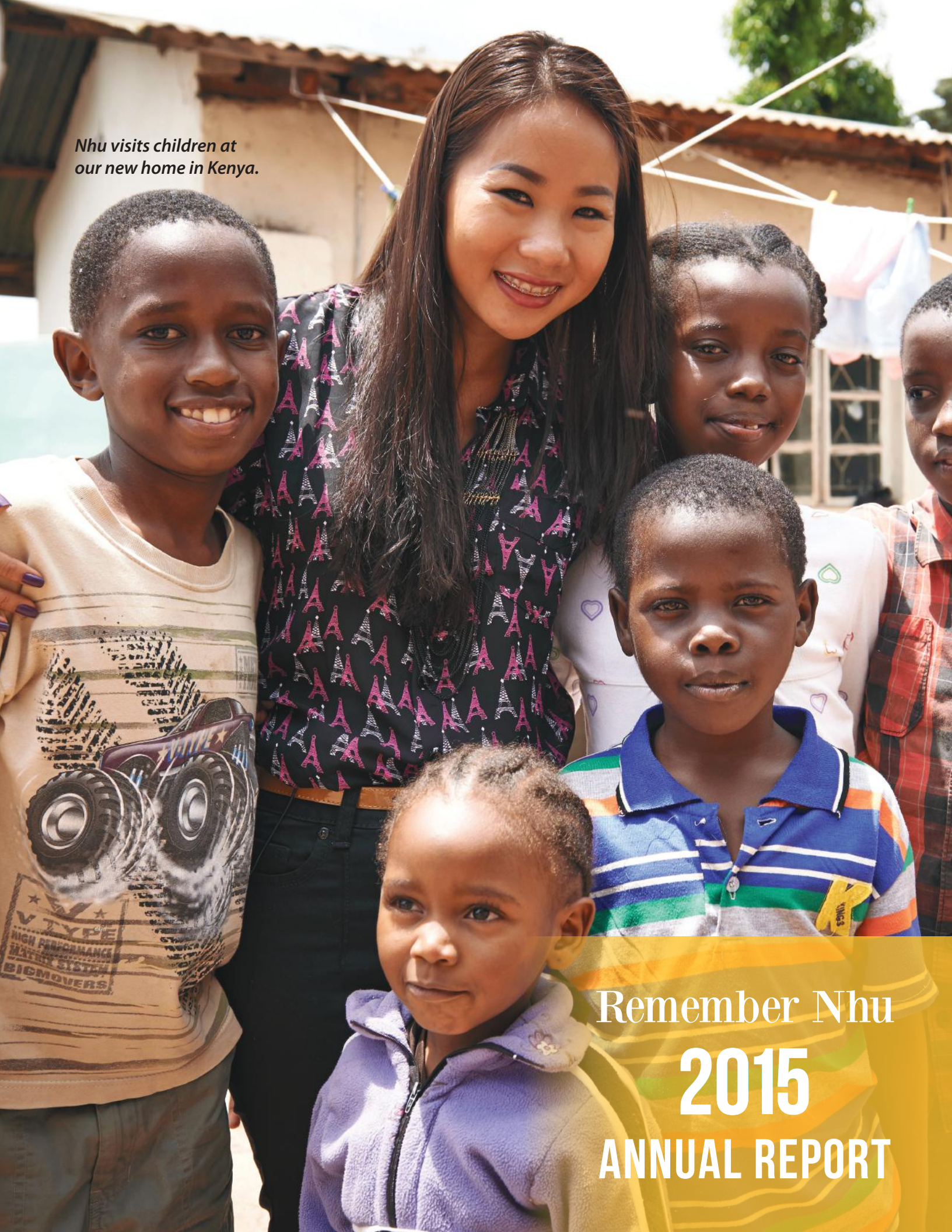


*Nhu visits children at  
our new home in Kenya.*



Remember Nhu  
**2015**  
ANNUAL REPORT

# a letter from our founder...

Dear Friends,

We are excited to provide you with our first Annual Report and share an overview of what has been taking place in the last ten years.

It all began back in 2003 when I heard the story of Nhu, a young Vietnamese girl living as a refugee in Cambodia. Nhu had been sold to a man by her grandmother. During this worst experience of her life she cried out to God, praying that He would help her to prevent this from happening to any other children. When I heard Nhu's story I knew I could not continue living my life in the same way. I knew God was calling me to do everything within my power to stop this kind of thing from happening. So I committed, until the day I died, that my life would be about preventing children from being sold into the sex trade.

As I began to do research and travel the world, I discovered that 1.2 million children were being sold each year. I thoroughly evaluated dozens of organizations that were addressing this issue, predominantly through intervention—rescuing children from brothels. After spending a couple of years partnering with and giving to those types of organizations, two things became clear to me: innocence lost is never fully restored, and the sex traffickers will always find more children unless the supply is cut off at its source.

These years of research culminated in the founding of Remember Nhu ~ a non-profit organization committed to ending child sex slavery through prevention. We identify children who are at risk of being sold and provide them with a home in which their physical, educational, emotional and spiritual needs are met. We are committed to helping children all over the world, regardless of their country or background—because we believe that every child deserves to grow up happy, healthy and free from sexual exploitation.

We started implementing this vision by raising funds to open homes and identifying individuals who would sponsor children. Our first children's home opened in Cambodia in 2007 with 15 girls. Today we have \$2 million in annual revenues with more than 1100 children living in 50 homes spanning 11 different countries! More importantly, as a result, villages once ravaged by the sex trade are no longer selling their children.

Many people try to praise me for what has happened through Remember Nhu. But, I would like to clearly state that I give all of the praise, power, honor, and glory to Jesus Christ. Any good that has been done through Remember Nhu is because it was in God's heart to protect these children.

One of the most beautiful parts of Remember Nhu's story is the thousands of people who have partnered with us to make all of this possible. I want to express my most heartfelt appreciation for each of you. You have been the real heroes to the children of Remember Nhu in giving of your time, abilities, finances and in countless other ways. With your help, we can open more homes in other countries and thus save many more children. I believe in our lifetime we can see the realization of our mission statement: ending child sex slavery through prevention.

Agape,

*Carl Ralston*

Carl Ralston  
Founder and President



Remember Nhu girls have never known the horrors of the sex trade and never will.



giving hope  
and a future

# our history

## 2006

After hearing the horrors of Nhu's story, Carl took 6 trips to Cambodia where he finally met Nhu

## 2007

Our very first Children's Home opened in Cambodia with 15 girls

Expanded into Thailand, our 2nd country

By the end of 2007, we had **2** homes and were protecting **30 girls**

## 2008

Opened first home in Myanmar--our 3rd country and our first boys' home

By the end of 2008, we had **5** homes and were protecting **80 children**

## 2009

Formed partnership in Philippines and expanded into our 4th country

By the end of 2009, we had **8** homes and were protecting **140 children**

## 2010

Formed partnership in India and expanded into our 5th country

By the end of 2010, we had **12** homes and were protecting **220 children**

*This is our Children's Home for boys located in Thailand, built in 2015.*

# 2011

Opened first home in The Gambia, West Africa, our 6th country

By the end of 2011, we had **16** homes and were protecting **300 children**

# 2012

Opened first home in Senegal, our 7th country

Opened pre-school program in Bolivia, our 8th country

By the end of 2012, we had **21** homes and were protecting **400 children**

# 2013

Opened first home in Kenya, our 9th country

By the end of 2013, we had **28** homes and were protecting **550 children**

# 2014

Received ECFA accreditation

Opened first home in Guinea Bissau--our 10th country

By the end of 2014, we had **37** homes and were protecting **750 children**


# 2015

Opened first home in an undisclosed country (for safety), our 11th country

By the end of 2015, 11 countries, 50 homes, **1100 children** saved

10 years, 11 countries, 50 Homes,  
1300\* safe children.

*\*includes 200 graduates*



**A Remember Nhu Children's Home in Myanmar.  
Each Home is overseen by loving indigenous parents.**

# growing up safe and loved

## AN UNDISCLOSED COUNTRY

*(For their protection)*

**10 children:**

**1 Boys Home**



## THE GAMBIA

**50 children:**

**2 Girls' & 1 Boys' Home**



## KENYA

**210 children:**

**4 Girls' & 4 Boys' Homes**

## INDIA

**70 children:**

**1 Girls' & 1 Boys' Home**



## SENEGAL

**30 children:**

**2 Girls' Homes**

## BOLIVIA

**110 children:**

**1 Girls' & 1 Boys' Home**  
(some only in after school care)



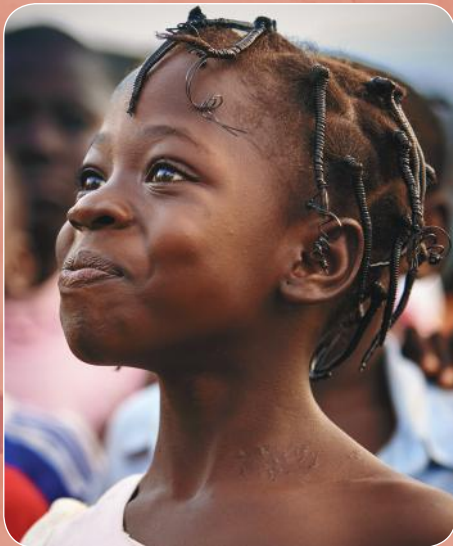
**THAILAND** 270 children:  
10 Girls' & 4 Boys' Homes



**CAMBODIA**  
100 children: 2 Girls' & 1 Boys' Homes



70 children: **PHILIPPINES**  
2 Girls' & 1 Boys' Home



**GUINEA BISSAU**  
10 children: 1 Girls' Home



170 children: **MYANMAR**  
6 Girls' & 5 Boys' Homes



## helping a desperate young mother

**A** young mother sat begging in the local market while holding her 2 year old daughter. Ridden with AIDS, the young mother was desperate to ease her pain with drugs. She was also concerned about her daughter. Who would look after her? Her husband also had the dreaded disease. They were alone, just the three of them. Eyes without hope and body malnourished, anyone looking at this toddler would instantly feel their heartstrings tug to give them money or food. And, just the opposite, any predator would have an opportunity for "easy prey".

"Will you buy my daughter?" the young mother asked our House Mother. Instead, our House Mother gave her some money for food as she said "we cannot buy your daughter." She knew that if the young mother asked the wrong person, this toddler would live a short life of hell. She also knew that it was illegal to buy a child, even if intentions were honest and for the child's own good. As she turned to leave, the toddler's young hands grabbed our House Mother's arm and would not let go. As our House Mother pried open the toddler's strong grip, she and the young mother exchanged phone numbers. She would see what she could do. The toddler cried and our House Mother left, begging God to keep the child

safe until she could return with authorities.

It took a month of phone conversations and face-to-face meetings before the young mother agreed to give up her child.

The next day our House Mother and a social worker conducted an interview in the young parents' squatter shack. Legal documents were signed and made legitimate with the customary thumbprints. A few moments later, the young parents gave their young daughter a final hug. Then our House Mother, relieved, and thankful, returned to the Children's Home with the youngest child we had ever taken in. A few months later, after the toddler was safe in her Remember Nhu home, her mother passed away from AIDS, and a year later, her father.

Today, the happy and active five-year-old is free from HIV/AIDS and safe in Remember Nhu's care. Full of boundless energy and eyes that sparkle and have hope, she keeps everyone on their toes.

Thank you, to the sponsors who provide these sweet adorable children with their physical, educational, emotional and spiritual needs!



# “WILL YOU BUY MY DAUGHTER?”

1.2 million children  
are sold into the sex  
trade. We identify  
those children who  
are at risk of being  
sold and quite  
literally "take  
them off the market."



# boys receive a mother's love...

While many people think about girls in the sex trade, boys now represent 25-30% of the market. We opened our first all-boys home in Thailand with eight rambunctious youngsters aged 6-14. We desperately sought House Parents, but the best-qualified applicant was a single woman. Founder Carl Ralston and the Remember Nhu international workers were a little hesitant. How would the boys respond to a female authority figure in a male-dominated society? Would they

listen? We were pleasantly surprised by their obedience and respectfulness to her leadership, and it didn't take long to figure out why. Through her quietness she leads her boys by example. She does a wonderful job protecting these young boys who were at risk; and they know that, perhaps for the first time in their lives, they are receiving a mother's love.

Thank you to the sponsors who provide these future leaders with their physical, educational, emotional and spiritual needs!





# sustainability

**A**quaponics is the wave of the future. Inside one greenhouse you can grow fish, fertilizer and edible plants. One fish farm can not only feed the children of a Remember Nhu home, but can provide income as well. Each farm contains tanks that hold 2000 tilapia and the water from the tanks flows under the vegetable roots to naturally fertilize the plants. It's an incredible system!

In June of 2013, Jason & Brenda Sommer began the adventure of a lifetime leading a team to build 7 fish farms in 7 countries, 5 at Remember Nhu homes! Hot, hard and always a challenge, each country had it's own set of problems to overcome.

We are so thankful for the hard labor of each and every member of the fish farm teams. You have done a tremendous work for the children!

# meet the board of directors



**CARL RALSTON** – Founder and President of Remember Nhu, 2005 to current. Married to Laura for 27 years. Bachelors degree in Business Management from Malone University and Master of Arts degree in Religion from Trinity International University. Former insurance agency Owner and President. Carl & Laura are members of Hood River Alliance in Hood River, Oregon and attend A Jesus Church in Portland, Oregon.

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**BARBARA KISLEY** – Married to Steve for 19 years. Bachelors degree from University of Maryland in Education and graduate work at Loyola University and Regent College. Co-founder of a commercial real estate company with further experience in education, medical sales and with an international document management and business process company.

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**JIM McWHINNIE**– Married to Louise for 49 years. Bachelors degree from University of Wyoming. Retired insurance Agency Owner. Member of Crossgate Church (Presbyterian Church in America). Resides in Salem, SC. Board member of ECHO, West Africa Reformed Mission, and the Karen Hill Tribe Partnership.

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**MIKE McDONALD** – Married to Melissa for 8 years. Ten years of business operations and management experience, nine years of Pastoral experience. Currently the President of Hear the Cry at A Jesus Church (non-denominational) in Portland, Oregon with responsibilities and partners in India, Thailand, Myanmar, Zimbabwe, Uganda, Haiti and Iraq.

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**DEBBIE VIK** is from Seattle, Washington. She has served as a missionary under the Christian and Missionary Alliance since 1981 in Thailand. Most recently she is involved with the Center for Leadership Development which trains local pastors in how to raise up lay leaders to help them in ministry.

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**JOHN PRIES** has been married to Pam for 49 years. John is currently serving as Vice President of Operations for Remember Nhu and he and his wife are missionaries to the people of Cambodia. John retired from staff ministry as the administrative pastor and missions pastor for 17 years at Horizon Community Church Tualatin Oregon. Pam was principal at Horizon Elementary School for 20 years. Prior to his service at Horizon John held middle and upper management positions in the trucking industry for 25 years."

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**STEVE MARSHALL** – Married to Lee Anne for 29 years. Undergraduate degree from Moody Bible Institute and Master of Art in Religion degree from Liberty Theological Seminary. Serving in three churches over the past 30 years, now Lead Pastor and church planter for Mission View Church (non-denominational) in North Canton, Ohio.

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**VERN BOERSMA** – Married to Patti for 32 years. Attended Faith Bible College and earned a B.S. in Accounting from Iowa State University. A CPA with experience in public and corporate accounting, including regional and international accounting firms. Currently CFO for \$200mm manufacturing company, owner of his own accounting firm, and co-owner with family members in a service and distribution business. For 30+ years, active in Saylorville Church in Des Moines, Iowa and now involved with Cornerstone Church in Ames, Iowa.

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# financials: fiscal year 2015

Fiscal year January 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015\*



## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

Sources of Income	
Contributions, general	614,059
Child sponsorship donations	661,730
Transitional donations**	817,556
Service projects	442,436
Vision trips	97,166
Fundraising events	283,737
Vocational program	9,661
Interest income	66
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>2,926,411</b>

Expenses	
Child support	1,121,539
Transitional **	794,294
Service projects	165,003
Vision trips	85,166
Fund raising	137,611
Vocational program	9,733
General & administrative	205,863
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>2,519,209</b>

Change in net assets	407,202
Net assets beginning of year	1,552,894
Net assets end of year	<u>1,960,096</u>

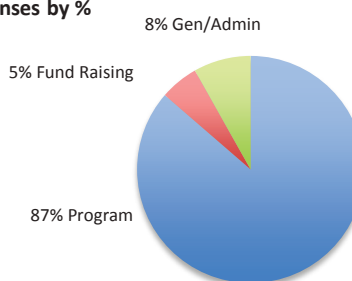
## STATEMENT OF POSITION

Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	116,556
Restricted cash	258,787
Property and equipment, net	1,608,912
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>1,984,255</b>

<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>24,159</b>
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Net Assets	
Unrestricted	1,701,309
Temporarily restricted	258,787
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b><u>1,960,096</u></b>

Expenses by %



\* Remember Nhu changed the reporting period for FY2015. Due to the change, this financial statement represents a 18-month fiscal year.

\*\* Funds that have been raised by our workers and are allocated for their support.





"With your help,  
we can open more homes  
in more countries  
and save more children."



- Carl Ralston, Founder & President



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