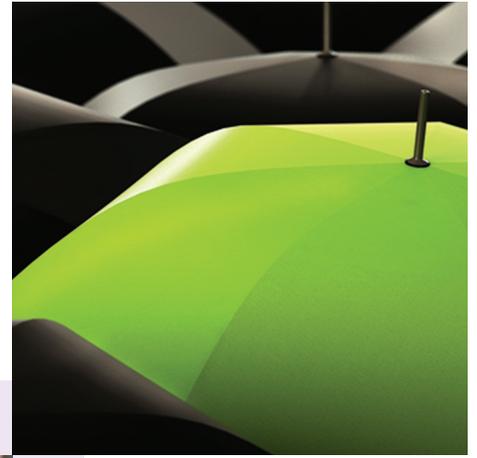


Year in Review 2014-2015



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Chairman Stuart Brown

We are pleased for the increase in the number of projects and the contributions made, as more projects are able to be implemented. We appreciate those people who have stood with us by helping provide our operating costs, thus enabling 100% of all donations to go to the projects.



Natasha Allitt
project manager

The past year has been one of considerable development as we continue to implement our Strategic Plan. Our relocation to shared office accommodation with OM Australia in Blackburn North and the appointment of **Natasha Allitt** as our full time Project Manager has seen a vast improvement of our communication with both implementing and donor partners. With the many changes in the Not-for-Profit arena the Board has actively sought to improve its governance procedures whilst encouraging the staff and ambassadors as they share the challenges of those we seek to serve, in collaboration with our partners.

The launching of our new Entrust web site is already attracting attention of potential donors and facilitating all our partners to see and consider all the opportunities available. This has been supported by new accounting staff and systems, for which we are grateful.

We look forward to another year of strategic development and invite you to be part of the journey as we seek to practically demonstrate the love and compassion of Jesus to those who are poor, isolated and discriminated against, in some of the world's toughest locations.

It was mid March 2015. My wife Julie and I were in New Zealand's Coromandel Peninsula visiting family and friends. One morning we decided to take a small boat and explore some sea caves and the beautiful coastline. The skipper navigated us around hidden rocks, majestic cliffs and even took us into sea caves that were unseen, until we were almost crashing into the cliffs. The next day a friend took me for a flight in his small plane over the same coastline - but I saw it from a completely different perspective! I observed the coast stretching all the way to the horizon, the cliffs looked small and the caves non-existent. It was beautiful. But instead of worrying about hitting submerged rocks, we were navigating some dark storm clouds that were fast approaching!

As we look at Entrust Foundation's last 12 months, we want this report to give you both an aerial overview as well as a glimpse into a 'cave' or two! We want to give you the 'big picture' of what we do and our plans for the future, as well as visit a project, meet a local partner and hear some stories of lives that have been impacted - forever!

In 2008 in the middle of the GFC, Entrust was launched with 5 projects in 3 countries and considerable trepidation! We are still passionate about making a difference in the lives of the world's poor and oppressed - in the hard places that are largely off the radar of the Western world. We have grown in our experience with a better understanding of sustainable community development and strengthened our partnership to both local project implementers and our funders. The journey is not over - there is so much more we can do. Collaborative partnerships are the tools that will enable us to continue growing and to impact the lives of the neediest people on our planet.

We thank you for making this possible.



From the CEO Richard Beaumont

We look back over the last 7 years and are amazed and delighted that we have funded hundreds of projects! We have expanded our connections to 15 nations.



MYANMAR
THAILAND



Monitoring

Entrust Foundation takes our stewardship of donor funds extremely seriously. As part of our due diligence processes, we visit all of our projects at least once every two years to ensure that funds are being allocated as agreed. Those of our projects located in Asia can often be visited yearly. Not only do we visit to monitor, but also to encourage our implementing partners, and where possible and necessary, to mentor them as they seek to improve their development and organisational practices. This is because Entrust seeks to work with a mix of partners, including local partners who may not be familiar with Australian donor practices / international development standards.

In March/April this year, our Project Manager, Natasha, was able to visit 10 of our implementing partners in Thailand and Myanmar. Just outside of Yangon she spent an afternoon with a peri - urban community working to improve their lives one small community development project at a time. Their first project was to improve the 'road' (really a rough path) to the school. Before the project, the path flooded every wet season and travel was hazardous. One father told Natasha that he carried his children to and from school every day during the wet season, which meant he could not get a job. Now the children can safely get to school themselves, all year round, and he can seek employment. This is just one story from one of the 20 communities where Entrust's partner is working to give people the skills and knowledge to improve their own lives.

While in Myanmar, Natasha spent a morning helping another partner to brainstorm their vision for the next five years. Strategic thinking isn't everyone's forte or practice, but this partner is determined to improve their organisational abilities and move forward in making their world a better place.

By monitoring our projects, Entrust can ensure integrity of fund use, can encourage you that your money is making a difference, and can help our partners improve their practices. Connecting with our partners and building strong relationships also reminds us here in Entrust why we do what we do – it's not about the numbers, but about the individual lives that those numbers represent.

Lives Transformed

One of our partners runs two pre - schools in slum communities in Myanmar. Many of the children cannot afford to go to another pre - school and with no experience of schooling they can often then not get into Government primary schools.

This is the story of two boys whose lives were changed because of our partner: Twin boys were abandoned by their mother when they were three months old. Their father brought them to the school when they were very young. Previously, the boys had been cared for within the local community, so the father could earn an income. However, they were a real handful, and the community members could no longer cope with them. The father had to stop work to look after them, drying up their only source of income. Despite the fact that the children were too young and a handful, the pre - school took them in and looked after them for two and a half years. This enabled the father to go out and earn a living to support his family.

Despite the difficulties, the boys graduated from pre - school in 2013 and were able then to get into Government primary school, where they will be able to gain an education and break the poverty cycle. Without this time at pre - school they would not have learnt discipline and basic school behaviours. And without this pre - school, they would have descended further into poverty and malnutrition, despite their father's best efforts.



WITH THEIR SCHOOLING
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"DON'T WAIT TO GIVE
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Clean Water and Sanitation

Stopping Human Trafficking

Educating the Poor

Economic Empowerment

TRANSFORMING
DISADVANTAGED
COMMUNITIES

ENTRUST
FOUNDATION
IS COMMITTED
TO EFFECTIVE
& EFFICIENT
PARTNERSHIPS



\$853,246

total remittances to all projects



Fully funded projects

35

43

Projects under management as at 30/6/15

Implementing partners

33

15

Countries in which we operate



29

Projects visited by Entrust Foundation



Northern Indian villages now with a healthcare worker

220



300

People assisted out of poverty Eastern Uganda



Bar Boys helped in Northern Thailand

231

307

Poor children educated in Kenya

109 wells constructed
3,675 water filters distributed to **71** villages

water solutions
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26,689 people received water sanitation training

Country profile Democratic Republic of the Congo



DRC



Why would Entrust CHOOSE to have three projects in DRC – after all, according to the Australian Government part of the country where two out of three of our projects are located is a ‘do not travel’ destination! We choose to fund projects in DRC for the same reasons the government considers it a travel risk! After years of civil conflict, the people are poor and needy, and yet are working to rebuild. We want to do all we can to make that possible.

In 2014 DRC ranked **186th out of 187 countries** on the human development index – a ranking of the quality of life to be had in each country. Australia ranked second in the world, just behind Norway. The life expectancy in the DRC is 50 years. The average annual income is \$550 – most people earn nowhere close to that, 64% of the population lives below the poverty line, and violence and the threat of violence is a daily-lived reality.

Entrust chooses to work in these places where it may be too hard for other organisations to operate. We work with locals in DRC who are determined to make their lives, and the lives of their community, better. We work at the grass-roots, training up doctors and nurses, providing micro-loans, and training farmers in agricultural methods. We want to support the efforts of these people to make changes for the better. With our assistance, local people are empowered to help move DRC up the ladder on the human development index, one improved life at a time.

Partners Spotlight India

A trusted friend referred us to these potential partners; we made a visit to India, built relationships and started out with a small project.

We were able to test our new partner’s capacity and heart. They have shone and put over 100 kids into school for the first time.



We are often asked how we find our national implementing partners, given many of them are local organisations, not Australian. A perfect way to answer this is to tell you about our partnership with an Indian NGO (Non Government Organisation). They are on the path to becoming an Entrust implementing partner, as they focus on the marginalised people in their community. When a trusted friend of Richard’s heard he was heading to India, this friend insisted that Richard visit this local NGO. Giving the organisation 48 hours in his schedule, Richard packed in a meeting with the Board, time with the CEO, a meal with the CEO’s family and a trip to the community where our partner wanted to start a project.

The referral from Richard’s friend was 100% correct. These people are outstanding potential partners. The CEO and team have a clear vision for India’s poor, and a heart to make a difference. **They are active, committed, professional and passionate.** They juggle the Indian bureaucracy and still get things done. They understand development and we are so pleased to have been able to partner with them developing an informal school in a shocking slum in Indore. **“We don’t just have a cup of chai with them and decide to go ahead with a partnership”** said Richard. “After vetting the organisation, and establishing relationships, we helped them understand how strategic it could be to start a School in the slum.”

The organisation submitted a project application after Richard’s visit, we received donations, we are now six months into implementation and have just received their first report. The school is operating in a rented building adjacent to the community. More than 100 kids love attending, they have a uniform, some books and their dignity. A small well has been drilled for the community and they now have access to clean water and are healthier as a result!

We will now continue to develop our relationship, identifying more

Development Corner

Sustainable Development Goals

Many would be aware that the **Millennium Development Goals** reach their deadline at the end of this year. The international development community has been busy negotiating replacement goals – the Sustainable Development Goals. (www.sustainabledevelopment.un.org) Entrust's four sectors of engagement sit under the umbrella of the MDGs, and our work will continue to contribute to the achievement of the SDGs.

While we know how relevant our sectors are, we keep abreast of discussion and trends in international and community development. We want to make sure that our projects are good practice developmentally and likely to deliver long-term, sustainable results.

While we are watching to see what happens with the SDG's, ultimately, Entrust is focused on working with local communities to develop their own solutions. This is a long-standing principle of good development. By listening to people (not telling them what to do) and helping them to help themselves, we believe we will assist in long-term, sustainable transformation.

It was the end of my first year in university and I was planning a holiday. Traveling to India with Richard Beaumont originally started as a joke: **"So, ... what do you actually do for a job?" "Well, come to India and see." "Sure, why not?"** Our flights were booked hours later. So, my "holiday" was organized, not the holiday I imagined but rather a wake up call to life outside the Australian bubble with my Dad and Richard.

It was hard to gauge my initial reaction to India. I was very cautious upon arrival, strikingly aware of the cultural differences and afraid of what I would encounter on my trip. I learned two things really quickly: they drive like Grand Theft Auto and everyone was incredibly lovely. Our journey with Entrust consisted mainly of visiting projects, schools and villages.

What was amazing about Entrust was that they took the time to explain culture and situation – how important the family is, how arranged marriages are very common and so on. I found it difficult to understand that the stories I was hearing about abuse, neglect and prejudice were not fiction but real life. Yet everywhere we went there was no focus on negativity, only growth, empowerment and development. It's hard to imagine genuine joy in such a hard environment but it was everywhere and infectious!

My father and I decided to donate a roof for a community building that a poor circus community was building – this had a real impact on us. The main reason why I gave through Entrust is because they give ordinary people a chance to change the community they know and love. Not westernise, not industrialise but to transform their community the way it needs to be; with education, empowerment of women or protection of children. I adored my trip to India and was blessed and touched by the people I met and the change I saw happening.

Rachelle Hills, Sydney

MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS

1. Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger
2. Universal primary education
3. To promote gender equality
4. Reduce child mortality
5. To improve maternal health
6. Combat HIV/AIDS, malaria, and other diseases
7. Ensure environmental sustainability
8. Develop a global partnership for development



Partnering with Donors



Rachelle Hill in India, 2014



MAKING A
WISE INVESTMENT
WITH YOUR
DONATIONS



Integrity, Safety, Transparency

Most wise donors share similar concerns: they simply want to know WHO they are dealing with, do they have **INTEGRITY** and are they **TRANSPARENT** about the results of donations sent?

These are the right questions - and there is no simple formula. Do they do what they say? Do we know them? Who is their CEO? Who is on their Board? Are they registered with the ACNC (Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission)? Do they have an annual audit - who does it? Do they meet government compliance standards? Think about the "WIFM" factor from their perspective - what's in it for me? Are they really serving the best interests of the group(s) they claim to be helping? Is their model of operation best practice in the world of development? Can you visit? Do you know others who have had experience with them? What is their reputation?

If you have an answer to these questions that you are comfortable with, I would suggest you are well on the way to finding a reliable partner. There are no guarantees - in fact we apply these same principals to the partners we engage to deliver our community development projects in 15 nations. Entrust is not perfect. We are continually learning and growing. It is our passion to operate with integrity (**100% gets there**). We offer safety through our experience and due diligence on all our projects and partners. We are skeptics until proven otherwise. We will tell you if things go wrong and will share with you the answers to any questions you have. We are striving for continual improvement.

Are you making a wise investment with your donations?



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Where we are going in 2015/16

More of the same can sound so boring... but not when you are impacting some of the world's poorest people in the most challenging places on earth! In 2015/16 we are committed to:

- Grow our income - so we can do more projects (\$1m ++)
- Continue to improve our reporting and accountability to donors
- Go deeper and do more with current project partners
- Engage more in the nations where we only have one or two projects
- Work even closer with our partners to capture statistics - the benefits of our investment
- Visit our projects, and in some instances take donors with us. It is so important to be able to show someone the difference they have made in the lives of people living so far away.

This is not a journey we want to take on our own. In fact, without you, we can't take it at all!

Do join the Entrust team, on this next exciting, stimulating - but challenging - leg of our growth journey.



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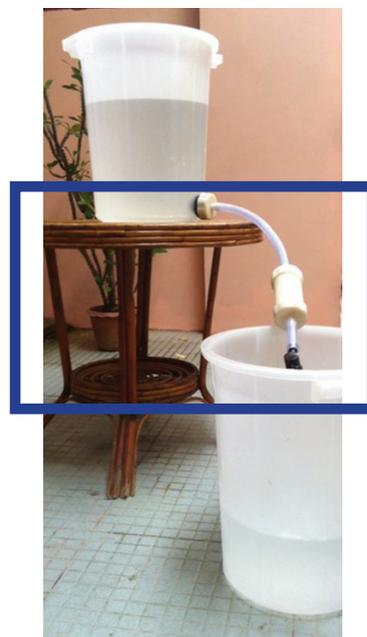
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How to get Involved



There are a number of ways you can get involved with Entrust Foundation's work:

- Follow us on Facebook
- Sign up to receive our quarterly reports
- Keep up with new projects on our website www.entrust.org.au
- Consider adopting a project and donating to it
- Visit the team in Blackburn, get to know them, and hear about the work first - hand
- Events - if you need a speaker, we are willing to share our story plus make it relevant to your organisation



If you are not based in Melbourne, drop us a line and let us know of your interest – who knows when we will be in your part of the world.

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