

I Sixty – One Charitable Foundation Project Report

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1. An Introduction to I61 Foundation

Donor organisations seek impactful nonprofit projects to support. Nonprofit organisations (NPOs) depend on funders, of a reputable nature, to fund their efforts. I61 Foundation, a charitable foundation based in Mauritius with reach into Africa, fulfils this need by bringing both stakeholders together. Not only does I61 Foundation connect funders and NPOs, but we also screen, monitor, evaluate and report back on the projects.

This process is only initiated once due diligence of both parties has been completed by our Compliance Team. Our process ensures that funders and NPOs alike are thoroughly screened and meet local regulatory criteria.

It is also critical that the NPO has a sound understanding of their project and its intended outcomes. I61 Foundation therefore requests a Needs Assessment be conducted, and KPIs set, at the start of the project process. This exercise assists all involved to clearly measure the level of project achievement at regular stages, and at completion.

Quarterly meetings with the NPOs by I61 Foundation means strong relationships are forged with ongoing monitoring and evaluation of activities. These meetings are a time of sharing and regrouping, Reports are drawn up and shared with the funder ensuring an ongoing conversation between NPO and funder. Any issues are quickly managed, and successes celebrated. Project success is the ultimate goal for all stakeholders. With I61 Foundation's constant contact with the NPOs it is assured.

I61 Foundation is founded on the principles of good governance and integrity. Our Compliance Partner, Orison Legal, drives these attributes with their support of our mission to raise the level of governance and transparency in the NPO sector. Together with this task, our aim is to create long term relationships between donors, such as MOL Charitable Trust, and the NPOs they support, ultimately uplifting the lives of each beneficiary of the vulnerable communities they serve.



2. Founder's Note I61 Foundation

What a privilege for I61 Foundation to collaborate with MOL Charitable Trust (MCT) for a second time in 2023! Our collective partnership has once again driven deep, impactful change in vulnerable communities in Mauritius by ensuring criteria was met globally, through the UN SDGs, and locally, through the Mauritian Government Priority Areas, all the while ensuring the criteria set by the MOL Charitable Trust were also met.

Working together for over two years has meant a deepening of relationships and understanding of the processes and requirements of the trustees and enforcers of MCT. A synergistic relationship has developed between our organisations resulting in the empowerment of the nonprofit organisations (NPOs) that were selected for CFP 2 - as you will see in the project results that follow in this report.

Screening of NPOs, collaborative meetings between NPOs, NPO visits and shared project reports, were facilitated by I61 Foundation on behalf of MCT. These activities strengthened relationships between all stakeholders and facilitated an acute understanding of NPO needs and those of the beneficiaries they support.

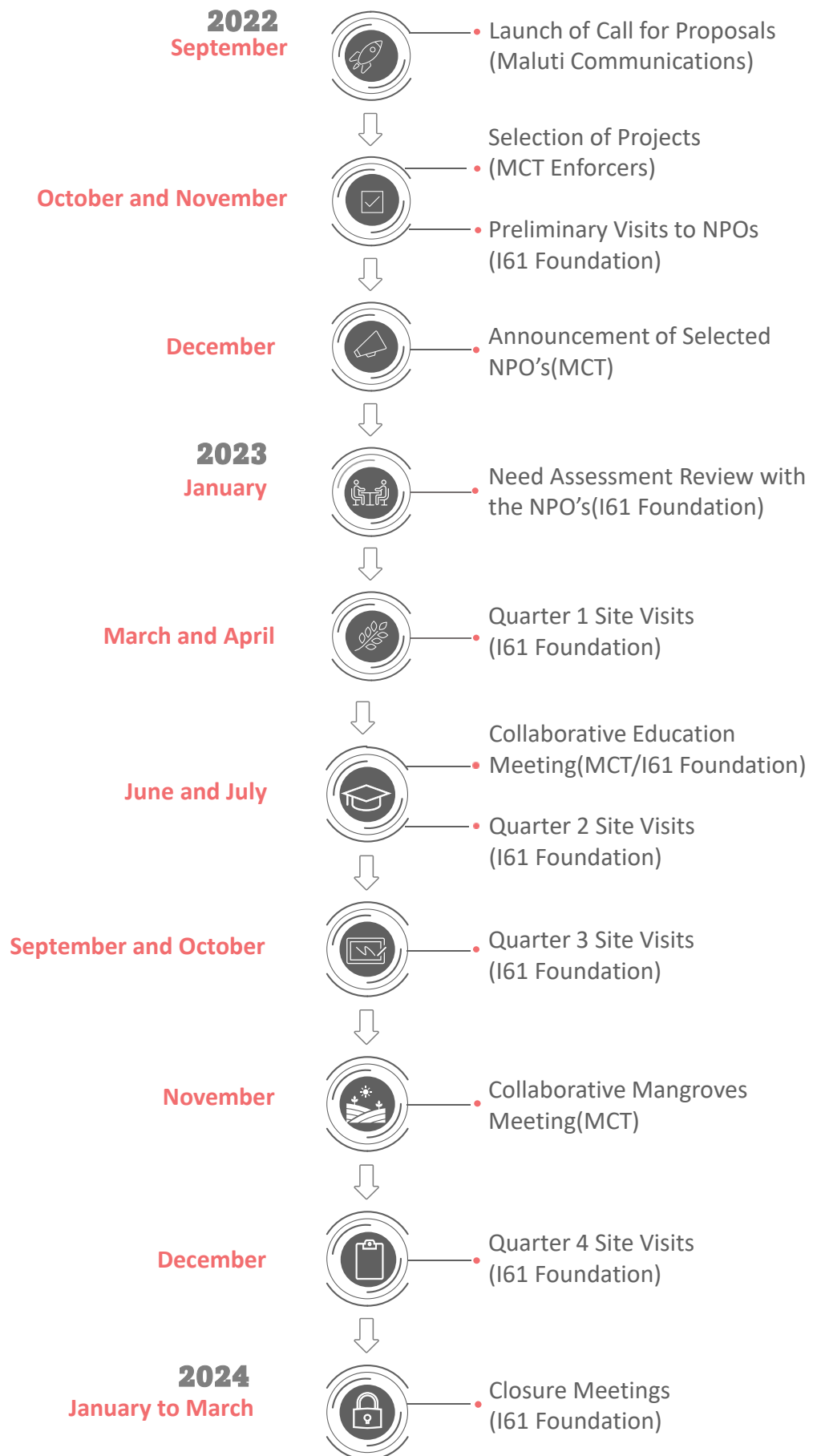
It has been with great pride and joy that I61 Foundation has worked with MCT and the NPOs, witnessing the significant changes in the lives of their beneficiaries. Thank you to MCT for their dedication to these vulnerable communities as they restore, renew and rebuild their future.

Tam Geldenhuys

Founder

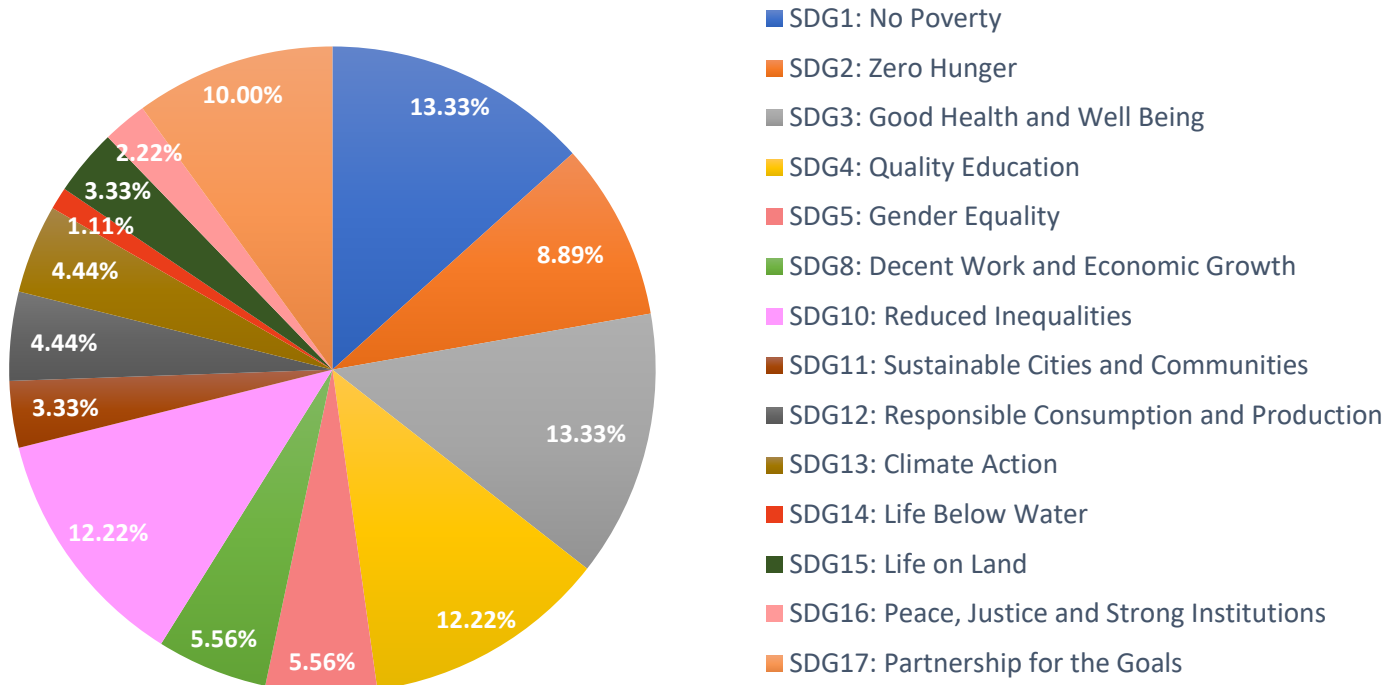
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3. CFP 2 Timeline

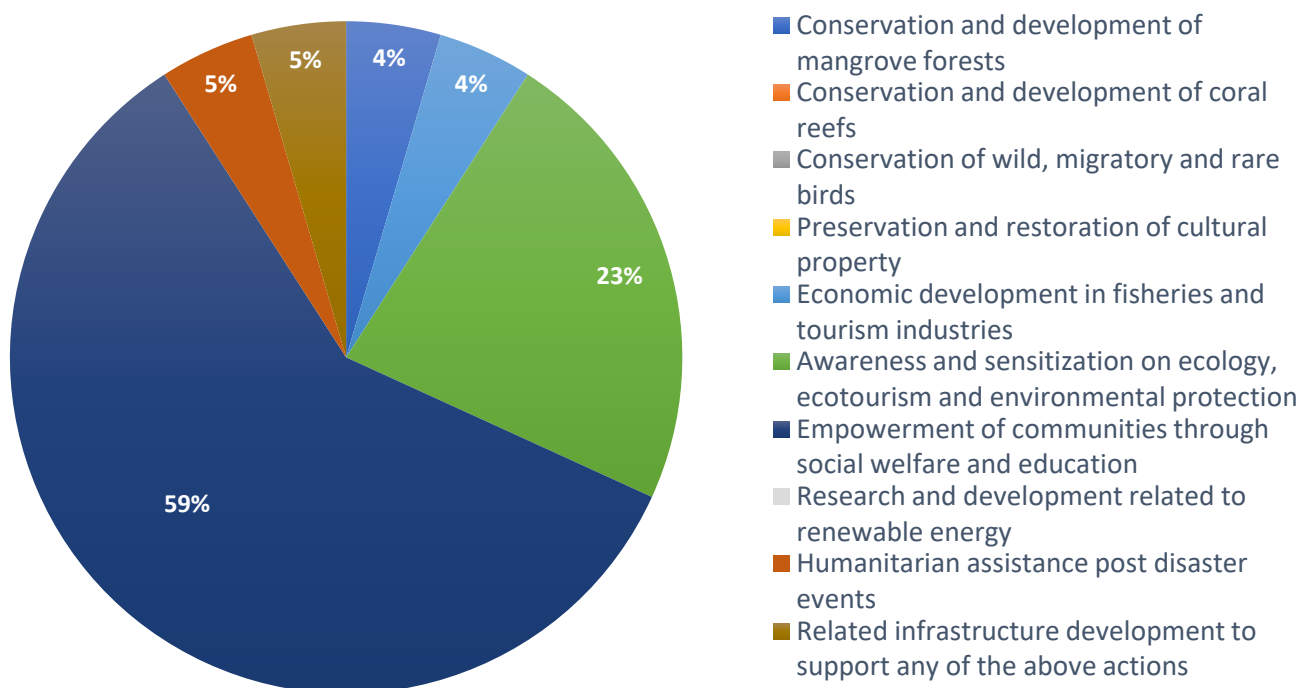


4.1 Overview of Projects Focus

SDGs Related to Projects



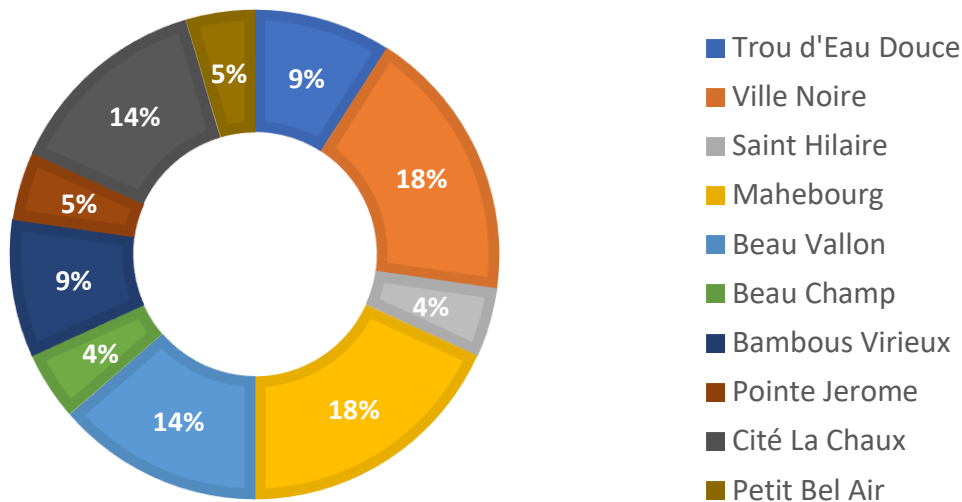
MCT Purposes Related to Projects



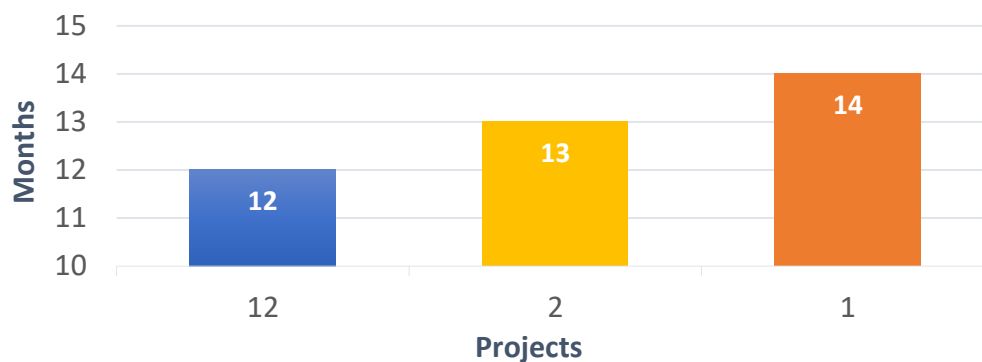
SDG = Sustainable Development Goals(United Nations)
MCT = MOL Charitable Trust

4.2 Overview of Project Dynamics

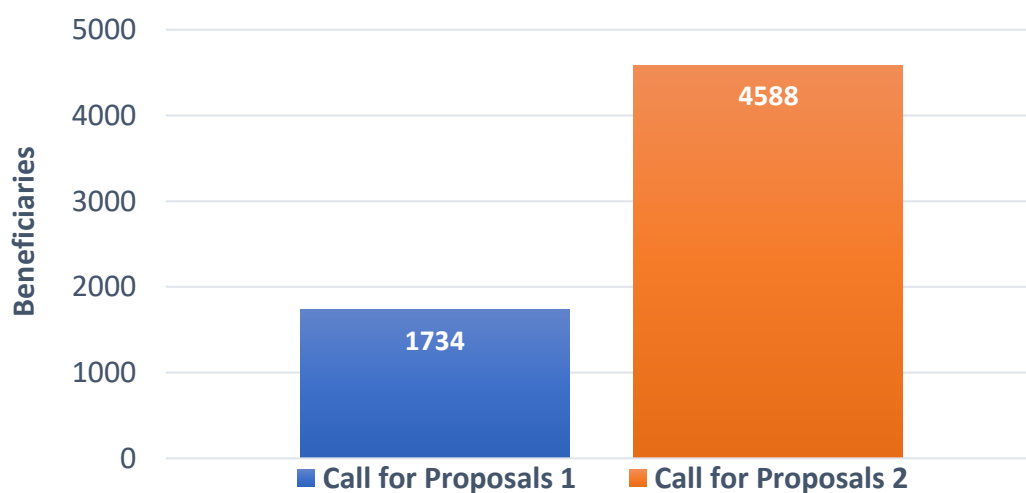
Project Location



Project Duration



Comparative Number of Beneficiaries





5. Presentation of Projects

Join us as we celebrate with 15 NPOs from MOL Charitable Trust's CFP 2.

Share in their successes, and ultimately the generous opportunities given to them by the Trust, as they made a significant impact on the communities they supported.



Action Familiale

Area of focus: Education and Community Development



Empowerment of Families and Youth through Support and Life Skills Development



145 Beneficiaries



MUR 1,041,002



12 months



Trou d'Eau Douce, Ville Noire



Hiking done in Bras d'Eau with the RADO beneficiaries



Life skills workshop held in Trou d'Eau Douce

Project Summary:

The objectives of this project were to support families living in precarious conditions by helping them to find a way forward, and to bring positive changes to their lives. This included adopting a holistic approach through the empowerment each member of the family. The project was deployed in four dimensions. The objectives were as follows:

- (a) Individuals - to raise awareness of their needs and restore their confidence, so that they can take the first steps towards a better future.
- (b) Couples – to help couples acquire tools and develop skills to improve their relationships on different levels.
- (c) Parents - to raise awareness of their children's needs and help them take steps to develop their capacities through life skills training, supported by parental coaching.
- (d) Young people - to implement mentoring training sessions using the 'Learning by Doing' pedagogy.

Project Outcomes:

- 1. This project has effectively enhanced familial relationships, fostering improved connections between parents and children, as well as between husbands and wives. The primary goal of promoting the overall well-being of families was met.
- 2. The adult program positively impacted individuals, couples, and parents, fostering self-improvement, collaborative problem-solving, and improved family dynamics. Parents, especially those dealing with conflicts with adolescents, found value in shared experiences and collaborative solutions during the training.
- 3. Despite the inconsistent attendance, the beneficiaries were actively engaged during the sessions, leading to increased self-esteem, confidence, and a sense of empowerment.
- 4. Parents expressed positive impact on their lives, developing a deeper understanding of their children and confidently addressing their issues and societal challenges.

Main Lesson Learnt:

Creating an environment where adults can freely express themselves is essential, as it promotes a deeper understanding and influence within families, ultimately playing a pivotal role in fostering positive societal change.

Collaboration with other NPOs:

- 1. Reef Conservation
- 2. Biodiversity Preservation
- 3. Caritas
- 4. Lakaz A
- 5. Revey Twa

UN SDGs





Solidarity Centre



100 Beneficiaries



MUR 503,700



12 months



Saint Hilaire



The Solidarity Centre before renovation



The Solidarity Centre after renovation

Project Summary:

This project was to renovate existing buildings to create an Eco-Solidarity Shop and space for vulnerable women of the community to meet and create artisanal items and receive psychological and social support in the following manner:

1. Support low-income families with shopping - selling foodstuff and non-foodstuffs at a lower price than normal shops.
2. Empower women living in the vicinity through training, creating products, and providing them with a place to display and sell the same.
3. Organize training courses and speeches on various topics to help improve people's living style,
4. To promote upcycling of recycled items from the community to reduce pollution by creating new products out of waste from which people could earn their living.
5. Provide a space for listening services – social and psychological support

Project Outcomes:

1. Through collaboration with the owner, the property has been rented and renovated.
2. A member of staff has been trained to offer a listening service to the community of Saint Hilaire and surroundings
3. A significant number of second-hand items have been collected to be used by the ladies once trained to create items which will be sold at the Solidarity Centre.
4. Staff are collaborating with other local NPOs to understand how best to run the Solidarity Shop

Main Lesson Learnt:

A timeline and proper structure set up at the beginning of the project would have helped Batisseurs de Paix reach most of the objectives set out for their project.

Collaboration with other NPOs:

1. Caritas
2. Revey Twa

UN SDGs





Biodiversity Preservation

Area of Focus: Community Development, Education and Others

BIODIVERSITY
PRESERVATION

Sustaining the Development of an Innovative Ecoliteracy Program



306 Beneficiaries



MUR 990,000



12 months



Mahebourg, Beau Vallon
Bambous Virieux



Eco-Recipe Book by the students of Loreto College, Mahebourg



Online Carbon Footprint Calculator

Project Summary:

The successful 3-fold Ecoliteracy Toolkit developed in CFP1/2022 has been sustained and expanded in CFP2/2022. New schools adopted the program and were empowered to focus on addressing climate change challenges. Collaboration amongst schools and teachers fostered collective intelligence and research, while students and teachers were empowered to implement sustainable ideas and projects. Technology was leveraged to promote climate action and environmental sustainability.

Project Outcomes:

1. Development of a new carbon footprint calculator by delivering research-based workshops to understand how our lifestyle impacts climate change. [Online Carbon Calculator](#)
2. Diffusion of climate topics on how changing our daily habits could reduce our own CO² emissions based on collective responsibility on our own carbon footprint.
3. Uploaded research resources on climate change, environment and biodiversity to grow the e-library on our website for students and teachers to access. [Biodiversity Preservation Resources and Events](#)
4. Created a slam booklet with 10 slams and engaged 168 students. [Slam Booklet](#)
5. Raised awareness on how food impacts our health, environment and planet by promoting tasty, affordable, healthy and ecological recipes. Created an eco-recipe booklet to raise awareness amongst students on sourcing of low carbon ingredients for cooking. [Eco Recipe Booklet](#)

Main Lesson Learnt:

Biodiversity Preservation had to adapt their creativity program to include the Youth With Disabilities Empowerment Platform beneficiaries.

Collaboration with other NPOs:

1. Action Familiale
2. Bonheur Associé aux Enfants
3. Loreto College Bambous Virieux
4. Loreto College Mahebourg
5. Youth With Disabilities Empowerment Platform
6. Hamilton College
7. Scout Grand Port

UN SDGs





Enfants Heureux



75 Beneficiaries



MUR 1,000,365



12 months



Beau Vallon



Shared lunch taking place at BAEs premises



Cards for Divali Celebration

Project Summary:

Bonheur Associe aux Enfants (BAE) addresses extreme poverty in their locality through several initiatives which support the wellbeing of the children. Most importantly emphasizing the importance of education, by encouraging the children to attend school regularly through the provision of daily lunch packs, annual stationary kits and, where necessary, uniforms. BAE also engages with parents individually to understand their situation and encourage them to send their children to school. Through the support the NGO provides, these parents receive a respite from the soaring cost of living. Occasional food packs and regular fish and vegetables are distributed to those families in need.

Project Outcomes:

1. 65 school children received daily lunch packs during school time and a meal during the holidays.
2. A total of 8202 lunch packs (comprised of a sandwich baguette, fruit and yoghurt or juice or biscuits or cake depending on availability) during the school year.
3. Absenteeism rate was 30% in 2021 when the project started. At the end of 2023 it was reduced to 5%. School children must be in their school uniform to receive their lunch packs.
4. The after-school classes allowed BAE to detect the poor performers at school and assist through remedial measures. Snacks were provided to the children in the afternoons.
5. From a 0% pass rate at the school in previous years, 3 out of the 5 children who wrote the PSAC exams excelled.
6. Collaboration with other NGO's to introduce the children to slams, film making and recycling.
7. Employment of 5 individuals from the community to prepare the food for the children.
8. Celebration of recognised holidays developed unity and a sense of belonging amongst the children.

Main Lesson Learnt:

Parents were not empowered enough regarding their children's nutrition. Healthy eating sessions held by the NGO fostered responsibility and engagement among parents improving the well-being of their children.

Collaboration with other NPOs:

1. Porteurs d'Images

2. Precious Plastic

3. Biodiversity Preservation

UN SDGs





Eastern Welfare Association for the Disabled (EWAD)



Area of Focus: Community Development, Education

Inclusive Education, Productive Training and Employment for Disabled Youngsters



40 Beneficiaries



MUR 914,050



12 months



Beau Champ



Beneficiary embroidering a cloth



Rattan products woven by the youngsters

Project Summary:

The project run by EWAD aimed to empower young adults with disabilities, by raising their educational level in social entrepreneurship. Many of these youngsters face societal barriers and neglect due to their disabilities, hindering their job opportunities and self-esteem. Through tailored training in agriculture, handicrafts, and ICT, the staff of EWAD developed their skills and awareness, enabling them to contribute meaningfully to society. Specific emphasis was placed on assisting them select business areas suited to their abilities, leveraging ICT to explore new opportunities. Arts and crafts, and cookery and pastry training will enhance their independence and expand their job prospects, ultimately fostering their career development and self-sufficiency.

Project Outcomes:

1. The young adults improved their motor skills, resulting in proper writing with continuous lines.
2. 12 beneficiaries mastered agricultural skills harvesting watermelon, broccoli, chillies, herbs and beans. The other three beneficiaries still need to undergo more training due to their disability, which will require more time to master the skills.
3. 10 beneficiaries are now contracted with hotels to make 50 pieces of beaded jewellery per day.
4. 10 beneficiaries have mastered basketry skills and are now working on orders. The association will guide them for the next six months so that they can start their own small business.
5. 5 beneficiaries are now able to bake small pastries.
6. 25 beneficiaries can now use videos and graphics on a computer and are aware of the different parts on a computer.

Main Lesson Learnt:

The beneficiaries evolved at their own pace. Some needed more training than other due to their disability, which required more time to master the skills they were taught.

Collaboration with other NPOs:

None

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Empowering Vulnerable Communities of the South-East



416 Beneficiaries



MUR 1,000,000



12 months



Ville Noire



Certificate after Capacity Building Training



Beneficiaries working in the Field

Project Summary:

Two batches of 30 beneficiaries from local vulnerable communities were supported by this project for 6 months at a time. The Social Team of Eco-Sud's Resilient Organic Community (ROC) offered psychological and community support to the families, while the Solidarity Shop provided discounted food prices to provide relief from their cost of living.

The beneficiaries were engaged in farming activities and received training in agroecological farming and cooking for here months. Eating harvests from the land as a group after training, created a sense of friendship and sharing amongst the participants.

Beneficiaries had access to the Solidarity shop once a month for three months.

ROC provided ongoing support and learning opportunities, aiming at alleviating poverty and enhancing food security in the southeast of Mauritius.

Although the project supported 60 beneficiaries in their immediate activities, the support was organically extended to their families too resulting in supporting 416 people.

Project Outcomes:

1. 98% of the beneficiaries attended the opening of the solidarity shop from January to December 2023, and Eco-Sud was able to help 18 additional families for the month of December.
2. Four training sessions of four days were held covering agroecological farming. The community was involved in the preparation of food for the team for the 4 training sessions.
3. Capacity Building session was run to empower the ROC staff.

Main Lesson Learnt:

Always put the community first! A project in the community with and by the community brings strong relationships within the community and the NGO.

Collaboration with other NPOs:

1. Action Familiale
2. Ti Rayons Soleil
3. Caritas Mahebourg

UN SDGs





Loreto College Mahebourg

Area of Focus: Education



Food and Tuition Support



65 Beneficiaries



MUR 501,571



12 months



Mahebourg



The students from the solidarity shop with their polos



Education Tour – Visit at Curious Corner

Project Summary:

Transforming the school into a nurturing environment where every student feels valued, safe, included, and motivated was the primary goal of this project. Loreto College Mahebourg (LCM) achieved this through a comprehensive approach including remedial education, providing access to equipment, daily meals and educational tours. By addressing these key areas, LCM aimed to empower students, enrich their educational experience, and foster a supportive community within the school.

Project Outcomes:

1. Offering daily meals to needy students effectively addressed the nutritional needs of 45 under privileged students, ensuring regular access to balanced and nourishing meals. Students were asked to rate the meals and give their suggestions.
2. Providing access to specialised equipment successfully eliminated financial barriers to education by purchasing equipment for students in need, for subjects such as Design & Technology and Art.
3. The Educational Tour project successfully broadened students' horizons by providing them with valuable experiential learning opportunities outside the traditional classroom setting.
4. The school hoped for a 90% attendance rate but reached only 84.2%. Regardless of motivating their needy students through a meal proposal daily, other personal factors influenced the absenteeism level.
5. The 45 students of the Solidarity Club each received a school polo shirt as part of their uniform for the new year.
6. A refrigerator was purchased for the Home Economics Laboratory and also used for the storage of the food for the Solidarity Club meals.

Main Lesson Learnt:

Good feasibility studies need to be done prior to the launch of any project.

Collaboration with other NPOs:

1. Biodiversity Preservation

UN SDGs





Loreto College Bambois Virieux (LCBV)

Area of Focus: Education



Empowering the LCBV Community



290 Beneficiaries



MUR 500,000



13 months



Bambois Virieux



Students playing games in the Learning Corner during the holidays

Project Summary:

Communication between parents and teachers is critical for the well-being of the student and facilitating activities at school. This project aim was exactly that: to enhance communication between LCBV school and parents, minimizing the need for parents to be absent from work to address questions with the school. This digital channel thus streamlined communication with timeous updates and increased their involvement in their child's education.

A dedicated Social Worker addressed student issues through home visits and liaised with the family. Additionally, a building for the LCBV community was equipped with free access to internet, computers, games and other resources, promoting connectivity and engagement.

Remedial Education was also offered to those students in need of support.

Project Outcomes:

1. The Learning Corner provided a place where students could play games allowing them to interact with their friends without their phones. It was also a space to research and do school-work with the access to laptops and fifi connection.
2. By the social worker making regular visits to parents, she established a bridge between parents and the school. She succeeded in bringing back a pupil who was regularly absent from school.
3. Two students who had taken part in the PSAC Examinations have been promoted to mainstream because of the remedial classes and another two were able to take three subjects for their PSAC.
4. The SMS software has been beneficial to the whole school community providing critical links between all stakeholders.

Main Lesson Learnt:

When special attention is given to pupils in difficulties, they succeed.

Collaboration with other NPOs:

None

UN SDGs





Mahebourg Espoir

Area of Focus: Education



Mahebourg Espoir Pre-Primary School



42 Beneficiaries



MUR 1,000,000



12 months



Ville Noire, Cité La Chaux



Lunch time at Mahebourg Espoir



After school classes at the Learning Corner

Project Summary:

With the financial sponsorship of MOL Charitable Trust, a section of Mahebourg Espoir school was converted into a kindergarten to accommodate 27 children from Cite la Chaux and Cite Tole in CFP1/2022. This year the kindergarten continued to provide breakfast, lunch and snacks to the children, ensuring that they are fed properly. This educational centre provides a safe place with loving teachers, to counter the effect of ill-treatment at home.

16 children left the school at the end of 2022 for primary school, but still needed further educational support so an after-school support program was set up for these children in the La Chaux Social Centre, called The Learning Corner.

Project Outcomes:

1. Kindergarten:

1. Of the 26 children, 25 are agile, master body movement. They can scribble, draw mathematical shapes, and are good at all outdoor and indoor games.
2. All children have grown in weight except for one child who has not attained the desirable weight and another child who is has remained underweight.
3. The kindergarten met the target of 3 outings. 23 out of 26 children attended the outings.

2. The Learning Corner:

1. All students attending the Learning Corner classes succeed in the Grade 1 final exams.
2. 8 children completed the school readiness program - a preparation program for pre-primary children who are attending primary school the following year.

Main Lesson Learnt:

Extra support is necessary for those children having left Mahebourg Espoir and starting in primary school to ensure that they pass. Hence the need to set up the Learning Corner.

Collaboration with other NPOs:

1. Porteurs d'Images

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Porteurs D'images

Area of Focus: Community Development



The Pop-Up Film School



129 Beneficiaries



MUR 700,000



12 months



Beau Vallon, Ville Noire,
Mahebourg, Cité la Chaux



Workshop at Bonheur Associe Aux Enfants



Workshop at Mahebourg Espoir

Project Summary:

By working with 3 NGOs and 1 school in the southeast of Mauritius, 133 filmmaking workshops were held for 129 children and teenagers. These workshops, allowed the beneficiaries to discover, explore and practice the techniques of fiction, documentary and animation film making. The workshops were practical and fun and gave these young people the opportunity to explore filmmaking techniques and to make their own films. At the end of the project, the participants produced at least 10 short films.

Project Outcomes:

1. The participants were able to discover, explore and practice the animation filmmaking techniques, as well as live-action fiction or documentary filmmaking techniques. Each group of participants produced at least 1 collective live-action film or several short-animated scenes.
 1. Social Circus: 116 short animated scenes and 2 collective live-action fiction films
 2. Bonheur Associé aux Enfants: 53 short animated scenes and 2 collective live-action fiction
 3. Mahebourg Espoir: 1 collective short fiction film and 1 collective short documentary film
 4. Mahebourg RCA: 15 short animated scenes
2. The participants also learned to work together and collaborate on the production of the films
3. Porteurs d'Images received very positive feedback from all the participants, facilitators and NGO coordinators.

Main Lesson Learnt:

Regarding the workshop assistants, Social Circus decided to work with the NGOs' facilitators as they already knew the children and usually assist them during activities. However, they realised that the participation of an assistant with some knowledge in filmmaking would have been more appropriate during the live-action filmmaking workshops.

Collaboration with other NPOs:

1. Bonheur Associe aux Enfants
2. Social Circus of Cite La Chaux
3. Mahebourg Espoir
4. Mahebourg RCA School

UN SDGs





Precious Plastic

Area of Focus: Community Development, Education and Others



Environmental Education Through Small-Scale Plastic Recycling Initiatives



2,500 Beneficiaries



MUR 1,000,000



13 months



Pointe Jerome



Sorting of bottle caps by the ambassador



Items that have been created from recycled plastic

Project Summary:

The main objective of this project run by Precious Plastic was to raise awareness of the problems surrounding plastic waste. The NGO proposed to various schools and social groups to take part in various outdoor education activities on recycling.

Precious Plastic offered a plastic and glass collection service for the inhabitants of Blue Bay and Point d'Esny and also extended their services to the residential areas, snack bars and shops in the direction of Mahebourg. All the collected or donated plastic items were, sorted, crushed, melted and transformed into unique and useful objects, such as hooks, clothes pegs, bean bags, coasters and baskets to name a few.

Project Outcomes:

1. Reached 1000 children through educational tours and sessions.
2. Reached 80 households through subsidised plastic collection in vulnerable communities.
3. Collected 3 tonnes of plastic and 6 tonnes of glass from 80 households.
4. 150kgs of plastic was transformed during the year.
5. 10 beach clean ups were organised by the NGO, targeting various demographic groups of the surrounding community
6. Partnered with 2 sales outlets to sell recycled items that had been created by the NGO itself

Main Lesson Learnt:

Team cohesiveness is critical for effective project management.

Collaboration with other NPOs:

1. Bonheur Associé aux Enfants
2. Youth With Disabilities Empowerment Platform

UN SDGs





Revey Twa

Area of Focus: Community Development and Education



Revey Twa Fam



29 Beneficiaries



MUR 759,050



13 months



Mahebourg



Cooking Session at Revey Twa



Craft Session at Revey Twa

Project Summary:

The NGO Revey Twa, runs the project Revey Twa Fam (Wake Up Women). This project supported women living in poverty in the southeast region of Mauritius including Mahebourg and Grand Port. By empowering unemployed women through capacity building and providing them with a wide range of technical skills, this increased their opportunities in seeking, securing and maintaining employment in different industries. And ultimately sustaining their families.

Project Outcomes:

1. Completed training for 29 women. All women graduated. 95% have received employment proposals.
2. Partnered with Shandrani Hotel, Shandrani Catering, Bobby Laundry and Chanteauvent Guest House for internship and job opportunities for beneficiaries.
3. 20 days of internship completed by each of the women.
4. 29 Curriculum Vitae (CV) prepared together with the beneficiaries, ensuring that they understand the requirements and format so that they will be able to update their CV's later when required.
5. Entrepreneurship Training with Junior Achievement Mascareignes was offered to beneficiaries to help them understand how to develop a business and manage a budget.

Main Lesson Learnt:

As women on the program were not earning and bringing money home to their families, some had to drop out. To avoid this from happening, Revey Twa helped the beneficiaries by providing food vouchers and ensured that they finished the training. Future programs will include monthly vouchers in the budget.

Collaboration with other NPOs:

1. Caritas
2. Action Familiale
3. MAM- Mouvement d'Aide a la Maternité
4. Eco-Sud
5. Les Ti Serins School

UN SDGs





Social Circus of Cite la Chaux

Area of Focus: Education and Community Development



Cirque Social de Cité la Chaux



70 Beneficiaries



MUR 1,000,000



12 months



Cité la Chaux



The Family Fair showcased the skills the children had learnt



Dance sessions with the beneficiaries

Project Summary:

The main objective of this project was to contribute to the socioeconomic development of this underprivileged population through the empowerment of children, young people and families through different artistic classes in Cité La Chaux.

Driving community engagement with the children and the youth of the locality and to include the parents as much as possible too. Having the NGO within the community itself facilitated this process as the sounds of laughter and music could be heard from all the homes.

Project Outcomes:

1. Different classes offered to the 62 beneficiaries such as theatre, dance, singing and literacy, acrobatics, jugglery, percussion, art plastic, reading during the last year.
2. 4500 meals were distributed to 62 children.
3. Employment of 6 women as facilitators, with 10 other women occasionally receiving stipends for assistance as and when needed.
4. Organisation of a Family Fair on 3 December 2023 and performance of 2 shows
5. Workshops such a media, cooking, and sewing were offered to beneficiaries.
6. 2 Jugglery training sessions given to junior tutor Akash by a professional.
7. 8 psychological support sessions were offered to selected beneficiaries.
8. 10 outings were organised for the children.

Main Lesson Learnt:

The trust of parents and the community in the NGO and its initiatives is growing. However, with increasing expectations, the NGO acknowledged a vulnerability. This called for a strategic focus on stabilizing their activities, all the while continuing their dedicated efforts to maintain a strong on-field presence.

Collaboration with other NPOs:

1. Porteurs d'Images

UN SDGs





Mangrove Forest Regeneration Using a Scientific and Community-Based Approach



346 Beneficiaries



MUR 450,000



14 months



Trou d'Eau Douce



Collection of Propagules done at the beginning of the year



Propagules in the nursery ready for planting

Project Summary:

The aim of this project was to restore lost mangrove areas and compensate for the ones being lost by using both Sov Lanatir's human resources and community engagement. :

1. encourage volunteers to have active participation of young people in environmental protection.
2. collect data and information on the state of natural resources and work to counter the negative environmental consequences of human behaviour.
3. To bring back the lost connection between humans and the flora and fauna of Nature.
4. To promote unity in diversity for Nature and To use intellectuality to strategies concrete solutions to safeguard the ecosystem and its climate

Project Outcomes:

1. Collection of propagules and set up of two nursery sites which were cared for by local fishermen
2. Received all required permits for both collection of propagules and planting of mangroves.
3. Planting of 250 mangroves during different sessions at chosen locations. 750 more to follow due to delay caused by cyclonic weather, torrential rain and high tides.
4. Volunteers and local fishermen gathered to plant mangroves at regular intervals in a shorter period of time
5. Collected, recorded and stored necessary data for further use - in the long-term impact assessment of the regeneration project.
6. Awareness and sensitising of local residents. Involvement of secondary school students.

Main Lesson Learnt:

The procedures in obtaining permits for both collection of propagules and planting of mangroves takes time. Sov Lanatir realised that they should have taken this into consideration when planning the timeline of the project execution.

Collaboration with other NPOs:

1. Association pour le Developpement Durable (ADD)
2. Reef Conservation
3. The Council of Religion Youth-Wings
4. American Society for Microbiology
5. University of Mauritius

UN SDGs





Les Ti Serins Ecole Maternelle - Consolidation Stage



35 Beneficiaries



MUR 1,000,000



12 months



Petit Bel Air



Beneficiaries discovering new games



Occupation Module: Who wants to be a policewoman?

Project Summary:

As an organization Ti Rayons Soleil aims to eradicate extreme poverty through early childhood education and empowerment of parents. Ti Sirens was set up in CFP1 through the generous contribution by MOL Charitable Trust in CFP1/2022, in one of the most extreme poverty regions of Mauritius, Petit Bel Air. This second round of funding has cemented the incredible impact this little school has had in the community, propelling the children forward exponentially.

Providing an excellent level of education, cheerful and bright surroundings in which to play and learn, daily, nutritious meals and caring capable staff has ensured that these little minds thrive.

Project Outcomes:

1. By the introduction of the school van, there has been an increase in the attendance of children.
2. Provided 3 meals a day to the children.
3. Through regular teacher meetings, training and team buildings, the staff are now more professional.
4. An increase in weight of the children who were underweight have been noted.
5. Progress observed in the four children overseen by the occupational therapist.
6. 98% staff attendance.
7. Kitchen upgraded to meet Health Authority Standards.
8. 70 home visits by the social worker to ensure support of families of the children.

Main Lesson Learnt:

Some families needed a constant follow-up and support from the school care team. The actions are continuous in working on how to help these families improve their situation.

Collaboration with other NPOs:

1. Revey Twa
2. Eco-Sud

UN SDGs





Closing Note

We would like to congratulate MOL Charitable Trust on yet another year of changing the direction of so many lives.

I61 Foundation is proud to have been part of the process from the time of application, selection, implementation and now review of the projects.

This report has shown how when funds are allocated strategically, and NPOs are supported well in the implementation of their projects, how beneficiary lives are uplifted with hope and strength.

Rs12,368,738 disbursed to 15 NPOs over an average of 12 months impacted the lives of 4588 individuals. What an achievement!

Thank you MOL Charitable Trust for your vision to see the transformation of these communities and the partnership I61 Foundation has shared in doing so.

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