

# Timor Leste Vision



## Annual Report 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016

Working in partnership with the people of Timor Leste  
to support and strengthen local communities



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## Incorporated and charitable status

Date of Incorporation - 1st August 2005

ABN Number - 20 906 576 604

Registered charity with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission since 3 December 2012.

### Our Objects

To undertake charitable projects to provide relief of poverty or distress to people in need in Timor Leste.



## Our Guiding Principles

- Cultural Awareness:** All activities are respectful, relevant and developed in consultation with local communities.
- Sustainability:** All activities are sustainable in that the benefits from the Association's activities should continue on after the activities have ceased.
- Ethical Practice:** All activities are in accordance with ethical best practice.
- Accountability:** All activities will be undertaken professionally and transparently and there will be open communication with all stakeholders.
- Capacity Strengthening:** All activities will empower and develop capacity in local communities.
- Co-Investment:** All activities are undertaken in partnership with local Timor Leste individuals and/or organisations, with genuine contributions made by all parties, to create joint ownership of projects.

**1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016**

**Our Chair's  
Report  
Louise Pollard**

2016 has been a busy and successful year for TLV: the Hatete committee can now access fresh water directly from the village; our fundraising strategy has successfully diversified; our volunteer base grew; and we celebrated our 10<sup>th</sup> birthday!

We are also moving into an exciting new phase for TLV – former members of the Committee who have since returned to Timor Leste, are formalising TLV's presence by setting up a local branch. We are all looking forward to working with the committee to strengthen TLV's partnerships with remote communities. We are also setting up a new sister-school project so stay tuned to see how this exciting new initiative develops.

Special thanks to our committee members Georgia and Fernando who will be stepping down from the Executive Committee this year. TLV would not be the organisation it is today without the support and dedication of its volunteers and while Georgia and Fernando will be missed from the committee, we are grateful that they will stay involved in TLV.

Finally I would like to extend a massive thank you to all of the TLV volunteers and supporters for their time, commitment and hard work in progressing the TLV cause. An organisation is only as strong as its members and TLV is very fortunate to have such a dedicated team here in Perth and in Timor Leste.

Louise Pollard walking to the water source in Hatete in 2015



Hatete Maintenance Crew which TLV are training





# OUR PROJECTS

## HATETE WATER PROJECT

The Hatete Water and Sanitation Project was established in early 2014 and in July the same year a signing of partnership between TLV and community leaders were made to formally initiate the project.

### The Hatete Water Project's objectives and benefits:

- Provide clean and sustainable supply of potable water, and adequate basic sanitation for the Hatete Village including 77 households, a primary school and a clinic;
- Community participation during the project in to develop skills maintain the water and sanitation system in good working order after the conclusion of the project;
- Training the community to maximise the use of the water and sanitation system to minimise disease and illness.

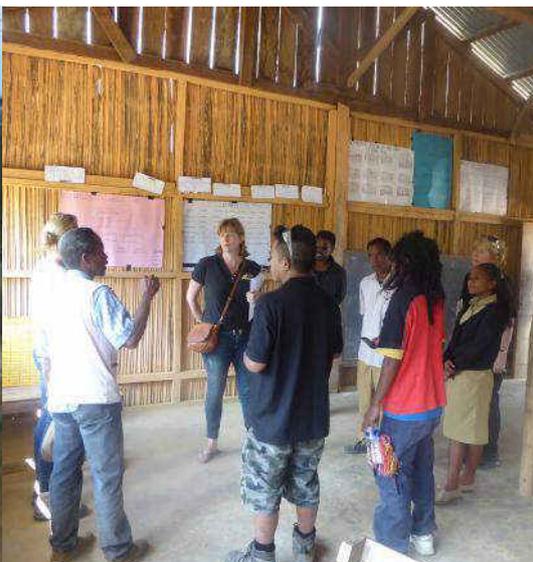
### Project Implementation and Progress:

#### Water Project

Water project was completed successfully and commissioned in January 2016 with great contribution from both community and contractors, and with no safety related incidents. The combined total of expenditure was USD 27,259 (exclude sanitation) which is well below initial concept estimate of USD 30,000. 4km pipeline constructed from water supply source to the village and 13 distribution points across the village.

The project is broken down into 4 phases:

- Phase 1 (completed in April 2015): This involved the construction of the water tank near the water source.
- Phase 2 (completed in June 2015): This involved laying 4km of piping connecting the water storage tank near the water source to a second tank built near the village centre.
- Phase 3 (completed in January 2015): Additional pipes will be laid and taps will be constructed throughout the village.
- Phase 4 (On going - 2016/2017): Establishment of public toilets for school and village which is detailed in following section.



## **Sanitation Project – Toilet**

The sanitation project is designated as Phase 4 and continuation of The Hatete Water Project. At present the project is in its initial stage of selecting the most sustainable designs for the community. Preliminary options of designs were adopted from various PLAN International designs which were implemented in similar conditions in rural areas of Timor.

Clive Crawson – a project member is travelling to Timor and Hatete in the coming week to have a consultation and discussion with both the contractor and community to select a design option which meet their needs and easily maintained. The main objective is for the community to be able to service and upkeep the toilet when project is completed. The consultation is also intended to finalise the number of toilets to be built and their locations. The cost of the project will be based on toilet designs (superstructure, pit, etc) and the number of toilets.

Another important scope of Clive's visit would be to inspect and undertake a small survey on existing water supply system and its infrastructures including tanks, pipe and taps. This is to ensure and verify that water supply network and its distribution point are in working properly, and to gain additional information for completing Maintenance/Operations Manual

## **The Funar Water Project**

The Funar Water Project is a new proposed project which was introduced to the project team by Domingos de Oliveira. Funar is a small village in the Municipality (district) Manatuto, and it's situated at around 120km to the East of Dili. The discussion and contact between TLV and community leaders were made in early June 2016, and last month TLV officially received the project proposal.

There some existing infrastructure such tanks and toilet with supply water from gutter system (rain water) in primary school which was built by Christin Centre for Social Action in 2005. On Tiu Domingo's trip to Funar last month, it was shown that the toilet structure has failed and there is no supply running water, and as a result students currently do not have toilets.

Clive Rawson will also be travelling to Funar to collect more information on possible water sources and discuss potential options for upgrading/fixing the current infrastructure. All this information will be required to evaluate if TLV's is to undertake the project.

## **The Sister School Program**

The project is also still in its initial stage of determining programs to be implemented at a school in Timor. Suggestions have been put forward that the sister school project start with the primary school in Hatete, however it was decided to have clear objectives before TLV approaches any potential partners in Australia.

The initial plan for School partnership to be "one to one" relationship, however the team is waiting for TLV in Timor to be established prior to develop more details plans and programs.



# OUR VOLUNTEERS

The TLV crew is made up of passionate volunteers who work together as a team to help support development in Timor Leste. In 2015-16 the Executive Committee has grown to 10 roles, which are filled by 8 people plus 4 general members.

These roles include Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, Fundraising Officer, 2 x Projects Officers, Student Relations Officer, Designer and Communications Officer. We have welcomed several new volunteers that bring a range of skills and come from all different backgrounds.



Whilst this growth is exciting for TLV, we have made a decision that it will be best for the organisation to reduce the size of our Executive Committee. We plan to utilise and grow our three sub-committees - Marketing, Fundraising and Projects.

Other exciting news is that we will be working towards the establishment of a Timor Leste based branch of TLV. Several members of TLV who have been based in Perth for work or study will return to Timor Leste over the coming year and will be the driving force behind this.

Our team is looking forward to another exciting year in 2016-17 for TLV.

Jess Ettridge, TLV Volunteer Coordinator



# FUNDRAISING

Ashley Cridland Cheryl Ashboth Jan Jansen  
Joanne Pollard Justine Gabriele

Jeremy Sim  
Mike Jansen

Welcome to Eric Afonso and Tiffany Afonso who joined us in August this year

Highlights for the year ended 30 June 2016 include:

**Comedy Lounge in January - 14 January 2016** - This was an awesome evening attended by many guests who enjoyed the fun and laughter. The Comedy Lounge were very supportive of TLV and assisted us and allowed a raffle to be held.

**Rotary Spinners - 20 March, 17 July, 21 August** - Rotary Perth very kindly offered us Rotary Spinner opportunities at the Melville Markets which are located on Sunday mornings at the Melville Shopping Centre, cnr Stock Road and Canning Highway in Bicton. We are able to take a seat at the entry and customers are asked to give a gold coin donation on entry. TLV and another charity share in the proceeds. Thank you to Ralph and Lynne Newton for organising this opportunity for us.

**Quiz Night on Friday 13 May** - Once again the TLV Quiz Night was a sell-out and we had very good feedback. Our guests enjoyed the Timorese theme with the dancing, singing and Timorese cakes. At the event we also celebrated our 10th anniversary so that our supporters could join in with us. Sarah Mullen was a fabulous MC and led the evening expertly. An army of volunteers assisted on the night, as we thank them all from the bottom of our hearts. Without your support, the event would not be possible.

**Football tipping** - Stephen Pollard and Denny Roberts shared the TLV football tipping this year, providing participants with weekly updates on their progress and the football ladder. We had 31 participants this year, with Fr Grant taking first place, Robert Armstrong taking second place and Jill Griffiths taking third place. A quote from a regular TLV Tipper "Thanks for another year of humour as you reported on the tipping progress."

**Masters Sausage Sizzle - 15 August 2015** - A roster of volunteers manned the TLV Masters Sausage Sizzle on Saturday 15 August and cooked delicious hot dogs for guests. The day had a steady stream of customers and the team was kept busy.

**Fundraising events in 2017** - Onward and upward we go into the 2016 - 2017 year, and to start the year, events underway for this year include:

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- Bridal Fashion Show on Saturday 1st October
- Melbourne Cup Lunch on Tuesday 1st November
- Ernst Young Ethical Shopping Day - 25 November
- Movie Fundraisers (watch the TLV Facebook site for updates)
- Barefoot Bowls (watch the TLV Facebook site for updates)
- Calendars
- Greeting Cards
- Merchandise on Website
- Chocolates - Fremantle Chocolate company
- Raffle
- Football Tipping



*Thank you to our volunteers  
who have supported our events,  
they would not have been  
possible without you!*



FRIDAY, MAY 13

SOUTH PERTH COMMUNITY HALL  
Cnr Sandgate St and South Tce, South Perth

TIMORESE DANCE  
MUSIC • RAFFLES  
AUCTION • GAMES  
HOTDOGS AND MORE

**\$20** Open 6pm for 7pm start • Tables of 8 people  
Savoury/Sweet Snacks available from 6pm  
All funds go towards projects in Timor-Leste

TO PURCHASE TICKETS: <http://www.trybooking.com/187653>  
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Contact [info@tlv.com.au](mailto:info@tlv.com.au) or call Joanne on 0407 195 555

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Celebrating 10 years of supporting the people of Timor-Leste

# EVENT PROMOTION

The promotion of TLV Events has been a major focus for the Communication/Marketing team. Finding new avenues via Social Media and Website platforms to get as many people coming to the events has been quite successful in the last year.

## TLV Website

Additions to the Website have been made over the last year, with a shop section being an exciting new venture for TLV allowing for merchandise and charitable gifts to be sold online. There is now a translator on the website which can translate each page from english to Portuguese with a possibility of translating into tetun in the near future.

## Merchandise

The first item to be sold was the TLV Calendar for 2016. This was our first attempt to sell merchandise to raise money for the Hatete Water Project and it was greatly successful with 100 calendars being ordered and sold out. The profits from the Calendars were \$705. Upcoming merchandise for 2016 will be gift cards and stickers.

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The following events which were promoted via the website and Facebook and the online statistics are as follows:

### **TLV Fashion Parade - Ongoing**

67 Reached    8 Viewed    2 Responded

### **Melbourne Cup Luncheon - Ongoing**

580 Reached    72 Viewed    10 Responded

### **TLV Quiz Fundraiser**

32 Responded

### **TLV's Comedy Lounge**

35 Responded

### **Woman in Gold Movie Fundraiser**

36 Responded



## Social Media Engagement - Facebook

This year, the TLV Facebook Page has been posting information, such as events, articles and related Timorese information, more frequently which has seen an increase in engagement and presence online. Following is a list of Posts along with its respected statistics of engagement.

| Date       | Topic  | Reach | Post Clicks | Reactions, comments and shares |
|------------|--|-------|-------------|--------------------------------|
| 09/13/2016 | Are you getting married soon ..."  | 597   | 37          | 25                             |
| 08/24/2016 | Cycling is a major growing tourist segment ..                                | 111   | 5           | 8                              |
| 08/13/2016 | Maria is an executive member for Timor Leste Vision (TLV) and she ..."       | 483   | 33          | 20                             |
| 08/09/2016 | RIO OLYMPIC GAMES UPDATE! Timor Leste has two athletes ..."                  | 141   | 11          | 11                             |
| 08/02/2016 | Check out the emerging hip hop scene in Dili! ..."                           | 103   | 4           | 4                              |
| 07/21/2016 | The energy of youth was on display last week in Dili, Timor-Leste ..."       | 107   | 8           | 8                              |
| 07/17/2016 | THANK YOU Melville Rotary Club Community Project ..."                        | 230   | 13          | 13                             |
| 07/11/2016 | You MUST watch this! The Unreported Drought – El Nino's impact ..."          | 135   | 6           | 6                              |
| 07/08/2016 | "After a few seconds she steps back and smiles. She's done it .              | 402   | 27          | 20                             |
| 06/19/2016 | To our Perth friends of TLV - can you help the Casa Vida project ..."        | 141   | 4           | 10                             |
| 06/14/2016 | Our amazing group of volunteers and their families gathered .;."             | 408   | 76          | 37                             |
| 05/03/2016 | Just over one week until our Quiz Night! Tickets are selling out .."         | 77    | 1           | 7                              |
| 04/19/2016 | There will be Timorese traditional dance and song performance ..."           | 84    | 2           | 4                              |
| 04/15/2016 | Here's another incentive to join us at the annual TLV Quiz Night on 13 May   | 52    | 4           | 7                              |
| 04/12/2016 | This public lecture is happening on 26 April at Curtin Uni (Perth) .         | 781   | 65          | 49                             |
| 04/06/2016 | Are you ready to join us for our annual quiz night and 10th birthday ..."    | 109   | 1           | 5                              |
| 03/29/2016 | 5 reasons to fall in love with Timor Leste ..."                              | 527   | 30          | 23                             |
| 03/26/2016 | TLV would like to wish everyone a very Happy Easter ..."                     | 205   | 11          | 18                             |
| 03/17/2016 | The Resilient Farmers of Timor Leste! For many who live ..."                 | 256   | 13          | 11                             |
| 03/16/2016 | TLV Quiz Fundraiser ...  | 56    | 4           | 0                              |
| 02/20/2016 | These small new businesses in Dili could be the start of something big! ;;;" | 238   | 11          | 12                             |
| 02/10/2016 | Football season is just around the corner! Now is the time to sign up ..."   | 154   | 25          | 12                             |
| 01/22/2016 | Big thanks to the Charles Hotel and all our friends who came along ..."      | 220   | 23          | 19                             |
| 01/12/2016 | Hi TLV friends! Only 2 sleeps until our Comedy Night fundraiser.             | 408   | 9           | 12                             |

# TREASURER'S REPORT

Included with this report are the audited financial statements for the year ending 30 June 2016.

This year was a quiet year in regards to both income and expenditure. Our income was comparable with the prior year, with the majority of income coming from Donations received and Fundraising. Our expenses dropped considerably due to the completion of the water project. The Scholarship is costing less, however expenses are still more than expected due to unknown fees and changes with tertiary requirements. We made a slight gain of \$412 (income exceeded expenses). Our bank balance at the end of 30 June was \$18,546.

## **Fundraising Income Summary (does not include expenses)**

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| Comedy Night          | \$1,381.25  |
| Quiz Night            | \$11,200.73   |
| Calendar Sales        | \$705.00  |
| Donations             | \$13,776.06 (includes Rotary Spinner and merchandise sales) |
| Scholarship donations | \$3,340   |
| Footy Tipping         | \$970.00  |
| Interest              | \$114.77  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>          | <b>\$30,707.81</b>  |

**NB: Some of the amounts above are net expenses (cash deposited after expenses paid)**

## **Expenses**

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| Hatete Water          | \$10,730.78                               |
| Scholarship costs     | \$14,085.66                               |
| Insurance             | \$1,509.00                                |
| Bank Fees             | \$169.00                                  |
| Marketing             | \$1,301.04 (this includes calendar costs) |
| Fundraising expenses  | \$2,500.00                                |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b> | <b>\$30,295.48</b>                        |

# THANK YOU TO OUR SUPPORTERS

Accor Hotels Australia  
Armstrong Family  
Araluen Botanic Park  
Bella's Skinare Centre  
Brian and Julie Vawser  
Bunnings Warehouse  
Care for Kids Child Care  
Cheryl Ashboth  
David and Silvana Mulrone  
Denny and Rosie Roberts  
Enex100 Shopping Complex  
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Jill and Graham Griffiths  
Hon. Julie Bishop MP  
Leanne Wherry  
Mal Simmonds  
Christine Weedon  
Margaret Quirk MLA  
Perth Wildcats  
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