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DEAR FRIENDS.

As I approach my last few months serving as General Secretary, it is with great joy and gratitude that I celebrate our endeavors together to rightly share our world's resources. Thank you for being part of the RSWR family. Thank you for sharing your gifts and blessings with others and transforming lives.

We each have gifts and blessings to share, and each of us is sharing the best way we know how to create a better world for everyone. Each moment we share God's abundant love, it ripples out to touch every living being. We are all connected always.



GOD CALLS US TO THE RIGHT SHARING OF

WORLD RESOURCES. FROM THE

BURDENS OF MATERIALISM AND POVERTY

INTO THE ABUNDANCE OF GOD'S LOVE,

TO WORK FOR EQUITY THROUGH

PARTNERSHIPS WITH OUR HUMAN FAMILY

THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

I am deeply grateful to each one of you for being on this

journey with me. I appreciate each of you - staff, board members, donors, women and their families — for having United Women in Progress Group members at the busy market in Sierra Leone, visited by the RSWR North American team.

the courage to listen to Spirit and be led into life in new ways. Together we celebrate our successes and learn from our mistakes. Together we create a kind and caring world, honoring each other's wisdom and gifts while stepping into the unknown.

This past year has been especially exciting as we stepped into new programming with Right Relationship workshops and Right Sharing programs overseas. Looking forward, please join me in welcoming Traci Hjelt Sullivan into our family as our next General Secretary. It is a privilege to be part of all that we have accomplished, and of the future that we are creating together.

With abundant love,

Jackie

Jackie buying fabric at the

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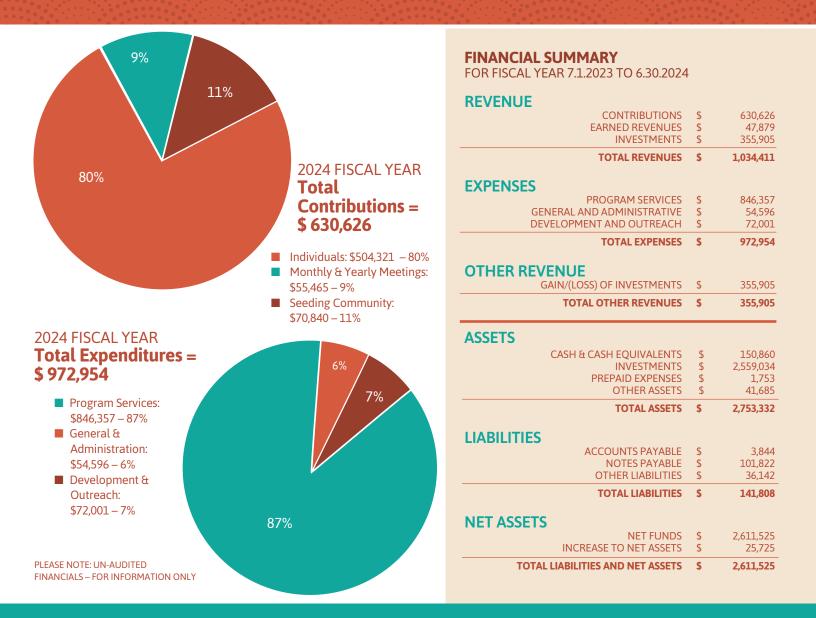
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market in Freetown.

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PARTNER UPDATE: Tamil Nadu, India

My name is Chellam, and I am a member of the Empower Trust women's group. I didn't go to school, and because of that only daily wage work was available to me. Such work in agriculture



or construction pays only Rs. 100-150 (\$1-\$2) per day. My husband and his family did not respect me. They said I didn't know anything because I am illiterate. However, I had the idea that I should not be harassed and disrespected but that I should live among them with confidence and succeed in life. When I heard about Empowerment Trust, I joined the self-help group and saved for three months so I could get a business loan of Rs. 10,000 (\$120). With that amount, I bought two goats. I continued to do my daily wage work, and I reared my goats. As the days went by, two goats turned into five, ten, etc. Now I have 20 goats. One goat is worth Rs. 5,000 (\$60), so my goats have a value of Rs. 100,000 (\$1,200). Now, I only work for myself goat rearing.

Starting my own business made a big difference in how my family members treat me. My husband is now helping me raise my goats. I feel very proud that I am now helping my in-laws. I have my own income, so I fulfill my needs without asking anything from anyone in my family. Through my self-help group, I have participated in various awareness programs and developed my knowledge and for that I am grateful.

2024 Highlights

Planting the Seed – Led by the decades of experience of RSWR Country Coordinators, the model of the Right Sharing program has been shifted. Women's groups are now provided with one year of training before they can apply for a grant. This training encourages groups to work well together and operate in a self-determined manner, qualities that help to ensure their long-term success. Success for the

women in a group can often look like businesses providing increased income and opportunity and women taking on more leadership positions within their communities.



Floridalma Hernández sells plants as a member of the Women of Success Group in Guatemala. She used her microloan to invest in buying more soil, fertilizer and plants. She trusts that with time she will have a larger nursery.



Funding Groups in Guatemala – Following the April 2024 Board meeting, RSWR celebrated the funding of the first women's groups in Guatemala. These groups have been carefully cultivated by Ruth Buseo and Eva Ramírez,

who traveled throughout the state of Chiquimula, sharing information a b o u t w o m e n's groups and building relationships with women in the region. This funding marked the completion of a multiyear, spirit-led process to expand Right Sharing's program into Latin America. (2021)





Seeding Community – Right Sharing developed a curriculum to assist Friends in connecting with women's groups around the world. The Seeding Community project, formerly known as Donor Designated Projects, offers Meetings and individuals an opportunity to partner with a women's group in India, Guatemala, Kenya, or Sierra Leone. (Learn more here: https://rswr.org/seeding-community-partnership)

Right Relationship – To expand Right Relationship programming, RSWR representatives traveled across the United States and the world to yearly meetings and to local meetinghouses via Zoom and in person. With additional members traveling, the RSWR team was able to connect with 19 yearly meeting sessions and events this summer, including FWCC's world plenary in South Africa. Right Relationship programming is an effort to support one another in living out our deeply held values: To provide opportunities for those blessed with material resources to explore the burdens of materialism, the power of enough, and global responsibility; and to promote balanced sustainable lifestyles and sharing rightly from abundance. Increased Opportunities for Friends to Gather – "The Power of Enough" workshop has experienced a deepening of content while new workshops are in development. One new workshop, titled "Healing Relationships," translates what we know about interpersonal healing work to community healing work. Another new workshop has been developed titled "Exploring with John Woolman the Seeds of War in our Lives." Please reach out to Nathan Kleban if you're interested in hosting a workshop at your Meeting. He can be reached at nkleban@rswr.org.



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