



Developing Rural Armenia Since 1988

2024

# Annual Report



# Strong communities, healthy society



Social development



Economic development



Environmental protection



Lobbying and Advocacy

## Our Mission

Promote socio-economic development and empowerment of remote, vulnerable rural communities through active involvement of community members. Strive to make those communities attractive for life and work through:

- Transferring new knowledge and skills,
- Lobbying and advocating for improved legislation and policies,
- Promoting new jobs,
- Improving community infrastructures,
- Strengthening Community Based Organizations,
- Introducing and fostering agroforestry initiatives.

## Our Objectives

- Improvement of legislation and governmental policies through lobbying and advocacy
- Shift from subsistence to commercial farming (including organic) on the household level
- Increase agricultural assets productivity by focusing on high-value crops
- Development of sustainable agricultural value chains
- Engagement of Community-Based Organizations
- Feasible non-farming entrepreneurial endeavours
- Rehabilitation of community social infrastructures
- Environmental protection

**2433 ha**

Abandoned lands  
cultivated

**83**

Drinking and irrigation  
water systems  
installed

**63**

Agricultural  
cooperatives  
supported

**117**

Social infrastructures  
rehabilitated

**41 ha**

Forests planted

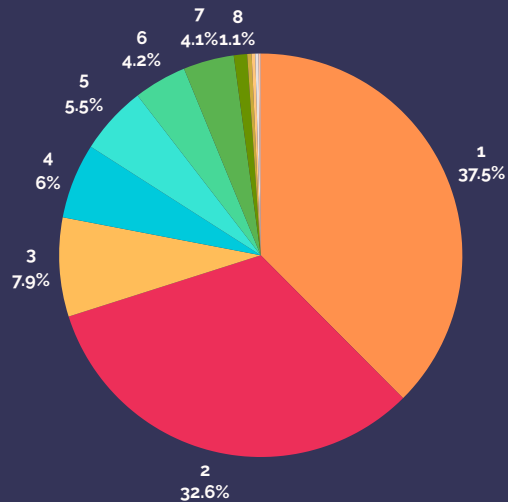
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Economic laws and  
the Tax Code  
Improved

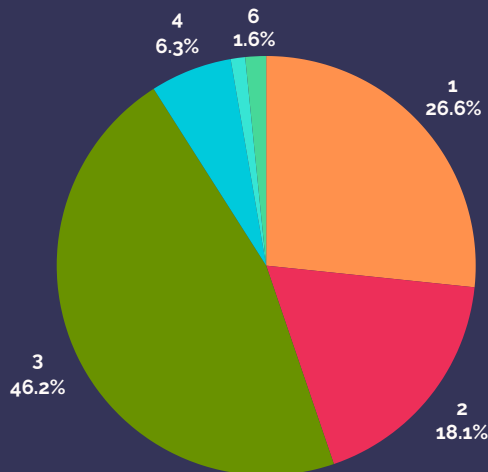


Funds Raised  
₹ 498,439,856

1. Bread for the World
2. HEKS-EPER
3. Yalkezian Foundation
4. A Tree for You
5. Chene France
6. Cooperatives and Communities
7. Fondation de France
8. AYO
9. GIZ
10. Asteghig and Hrayr Hrachyans
11. SGC PONT AUDEMER
12. Other



Expenditures  
₹ 574,033,097



1. Agricultural Cooperatives and Marketing groups
2. Social infrastructures
3. Support to refugees from Nagorno-Karabakh
4. Environmental projects
5. Lobbying and advocacy
6. Administration

## Projects

## Duration

## Outcome

## Donor

The establishment and strengthening of agricultural cooperatives with the use of improved legislation and modern technologies

2023 - 2026

- Make the cultivation of fruits, vegetables, and grains more profitable for the small farmers of the 25 beneficiary villages of the project on an agro-ecological basis,
- Support cooperatives to apply innovative approaches to agriculture,
- Support villages/cooperatives to engage in the cultivation of uncultivated lands and generate income.

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Humanitarian Aid and Inclusion of Nagorno-Karabakh Refugees

2023 - 2024

- intervene to increase the scale, impact, and momentum of crisis-affected people's own initiatives to help each other to survive with dignity
- strengthen communal well-being
- start addressing root causes of vulnerability.
- facilitate the community building process



Provision of Socio-Economic Support to Artsakh Refugees

2023 - 2024

- ensure rehabilitation and community engagement of 300 displaced Artsakh families focusing on agricultural empowerment, livelihood generation and community-led initiatives
- implement community programs in 40 rural settlements, where there is a relatively large concentration of refugee families from Artsakh.

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Empowering refugees through the rehabilitation of an irrigation network in Zorakan village

2024 - 2025

- Upgrade and optimize the internal irrigation infrastructure in Zorakan to ensure efficient water distribution, reducing losses and expanding irrigated arable land.
- Provide essential resources, training, and support to displaced and local families, fostering sustainable agricultural practices and increasing yields.
- Strengthen community ties and economic resilience by promoting active involvement in agriculture, resulting in improved food security and increased household incomes.

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## Projects

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## Outcome

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**Irrigation System  
Renovation in Bazum**

**2023 - 2024**

- repair the two reservoirs with a capacity of 400 tons of water each
- build about 1200m of new pipelines in order to irrigate about 40 acres of arid arable land and contribute to the development of animal husbandry by having reservoirs



**Ensuring access to water  
supply and drinking water  
for Lanjik school**

**2023 - 2024**

- install water tanks, where the required amount of water will be collected to ensure water supply during classes at school
- repair some parts of the internal network to deliver the stored water to the students without loss and with appropriate quality and ensure proper drainage conditions



**Construction of an  
Irrigation Water  
Pipeline in Tsovak**

**2023 - 2024**

- construct a 700-meter-long water line using RP40 reinforced concrete half-pipes
- enhance the income and productivity of Tsovak village residents
- stimulate economic development within the village



**Continuation of  
Dzoraglukh Water Line  
Construction**

**2023 - 2024**

- improve the quality of life for Dzoraglukh village residents by enhancing agricultural productivity through the improvement of irrigation infrastructure
- minimize water losses by constructing an additional 500m water line, consequently expanding irrigated areas by 30 hectares



## Projects

## Duration

## Outcome

## Donor

**Irrigation Network  
Construction in  
Debedavan**

**2023 - 2024**

- construct a 500-meter length section of pipeline and to provide irrigation to 40 households and irrigate 20 hectares of land, fostering increased agricultural productivity and generating additional income for the community
- contribute to the long-term economic development and sustainability of the community



**Modernization of  
Irrigation Systems in  
Darbas Village**

**2023 - 2024**

- 48 farms in Darbas village have access to efficient drip and sprinkler irrigation.
- 14 hectares of homestead plots are irrigated, leading to high-quality crops.
- Time and resources saved, contributing to increased agricultural productivity.



**Drinking Water to  
Khnatsakh**

**2023 - 2024**

- install a new and powerful water pump in the existing small water basin, which will allow to accumulate the necessary amount of water during the day with up to eight hours of active work, and deliver the water to the residents of the village
- construct a new one up to 450 m along the water line, avoiding possible losses



**Summer camp for the kids  
from vulnerable families**

**2023 - 2024**

- entertain the kids of vulnerable families of Shirak Marz during their summer vacations
- provide environmental education and basics of agriculture (the name of the project is Back to Nature) to the urban youth



## Projects

## Duration

## Outcome

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**Renovation of  
Noyemberyan  
Children's Library**

**2023 - 2024**

- change the windows and doors,
- repair of the bathroom, bookcases
- renovate the hall

**Asteghig and  
Hrayr Hrachyans**

**Kickboxing Ring for  
Davit Bek School**

**2023 - 2024**

- equip the school gym with a kickboxing ring
- enable children to conduct more professional training and instill interest in sports



**Planting 5 ha of forest  
on community lands  
and reconstruction of  
irrigation system**

**2020 - 2026**

- Restore 5ha of degraded community lands
- plant forest
- make it possible to irrigate the lands of all 80 households in the community



**Agroforestry Restoration  
of 7 ha of Community  
Land in Shenavan**

**2024 - 2026**

- establish the first agroforest in Armenia
- strategically plant a total of 26,175 plants, including 16,175 trees and 10,000 bushes, on the 7-hectare land in Shenavan settlement



**Reconstruction of  
Irrigation System in  
Chinari**

**2023 - 2024**

- Reconstruct the irrigation system in Chinari village through the installation of 2,500 meters of new pipeline.
- Ensure access to irrigation water for 80 households, including 8 refugee families from Nagorno-Karabakh who have resettled in the community.



## Projects

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Improving the quality of life: Greenhouse farms for Artsakhian refugee families

2024 - 2025

- Improve the socio-economic conditions of Artsakhian refugee families resettled in Zorakan
- ensure family income



Hiking trail Gyumri-Tirashen-Vahramaberd-Marmashen

2023 - 2024

- Construction of a hiking trail Gyumri-Tirashen-Vahramaberd-Marmashen (10, 7 km in length).



Renovation and furnishing of the dance hall in the administrative center in Jrarat

2023 - 2024

- Renovation of the community hall which decades ago served as a dance hall of the village dance group
- Furnishing of the former dance hall, so that it serves that purpose again



Renovation of the kindergarten in Ayrum

2023 - 2024

- Expand the capacity of Ayrum community kindergarten by renovating one additional classroom and the kitchen/dining room, thereby, providing improved preschool education for 90 children.

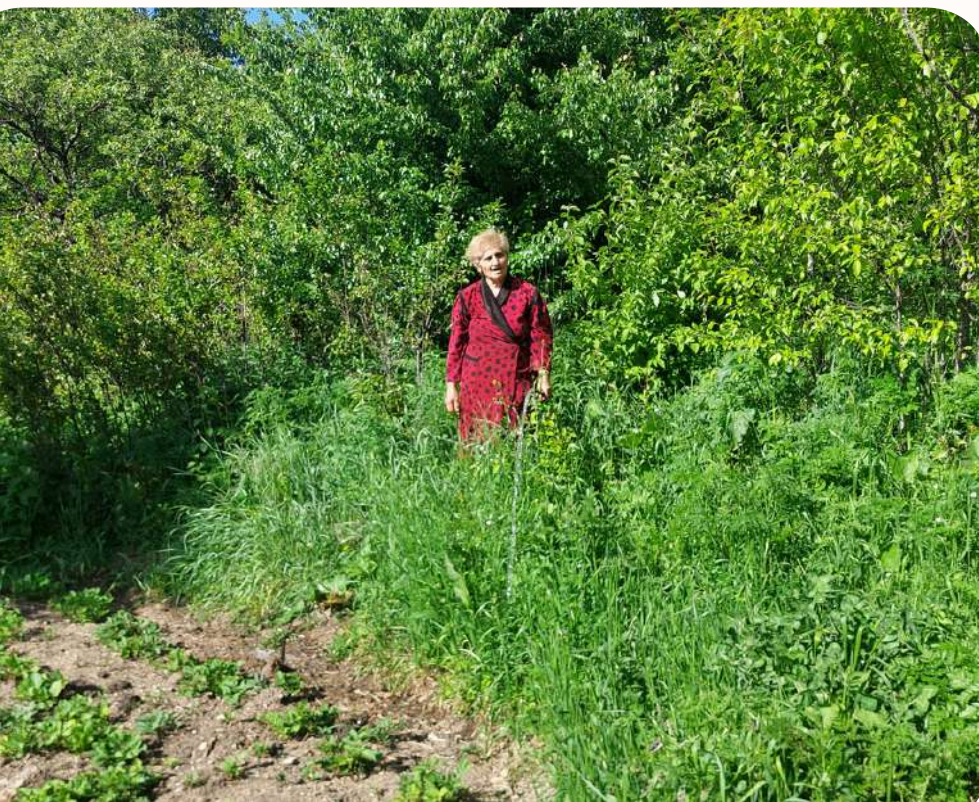




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