



#### DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT



Dear Reader,

Minglabar and warm greetings from ADRA Myanmar to all our readers!

The year 2022 was another challenging year for our organization. Severe economic crisis, acute electricity shortages, inflation, escalating cost of living, harsh monsoon effects, continued armed conflict – all these elements led to a new humanitarian environment with limited access to delivery assistance, testing our implementation ability again and again. Our resilience made the difference in the light of all these challenges. We have emerged hopeful, more prepared, flexible and agile but humbled at the same time, because we recognize the protection and leading of our merciful God throughout the year.

In 2022 the humanitarian needs were on the rise; the number of children out of school has increased to 7.8 million, more than half of the country's child population, 250,000 of them were internally displaced. Over 1.5 million people remain internally displaced and nearly half of the population living below the poverty line (UN Report). The Myanmar Humanitarian Needs Overview estimated that 14.4 million people, including 5 million children, needed assistance.

Despite the many challenges, ADRA Myanmar was able to support close to 650,000 people in 2022, most of them children. ADRA delivered services in education, child protection, water sanitation and hygiene, health, nutrition, agriculture and emergency support.

In 2023 ADRA aims to provide life-saving assistance to those immediately affected by the many crises in Myanmar and who have humanitarian needs. Our projects will support children to continue their education so that nobody is left behind. ADRA will support young people with Vocational Training Courses that they might become financially independent and self-sufficient. ADRA will concentrate its support for people with acute vulnerabilities, individuals with physical disabilities, internally displaced people, elderly, and persons affected by natural disasters, so that all might live a life as God intended.

We continue to implement and improve our policies and processes, educating all representatives who work for us and with us on how to improve the quality of our humanitarian assistance throughout Myanmar.

I particularly want to recognize the dedication and commitment of our staff, especially in our field offices. Facing many challenges, they have adapted to the new reality, have taken enormous personal risks in order to serve the community, to bring hope to thousands of people.

I am truly grateful to all our donors, supporting offices, partners and to our Heavenly Father who continues to provide for us all.

With best wishes,

Vitalie Zegera **Country Director ADRA Myanmar** 

#### WHO WE ARE —

#### **ABOUT ADRA**

The Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) is the global humanitarian arm of the Seventh-day Adventist Church - part of the 20 million strong Adventist Community, with hundreds of thousands of churches globally and the world's largest integrated healthcare and education network. ADRA delivers relief and development assistance to individuals in more than 120 countries regardless of their ethnicity, political affiliation, gender or religious association. By partnering with local communities, organizations, and governments, we are able to deliver culturally relevant programs and build local capability for sustainable change.

#### **ABOUT ADRA MYANMAR**

ADRA Myanmar is an 'implementing office' within the ADRA network, a registered and recognized INGO in Myanmar. Established in 1984, ADRA Myanmar is one of the oldest country offices in ADRA network providing development and relief assistance opportunities throughout the country. We operate under 4 key sectors that cater to: Livelihoods, Education, Health and Emergency. With the head office located in Yangon, ADRA Myanmar maintains 4 sub-offices within the regions of: Kayin State, Shan State, Magway and Mandalay Region.

ADRA Myanmar seeks to develop partnerships with rural communities, country and local authorities, donors and partner offices within the ADRA network. We believe that honest and authentic relationships lead to harmonious partnerships which are based on mutual respect and fairness. Within this environment, partnership mobilizes demand-driven funds to assist those in need to realize their potential and become active partners of progress.

Justice. Compassion. Love





#### **OUR VALUES**

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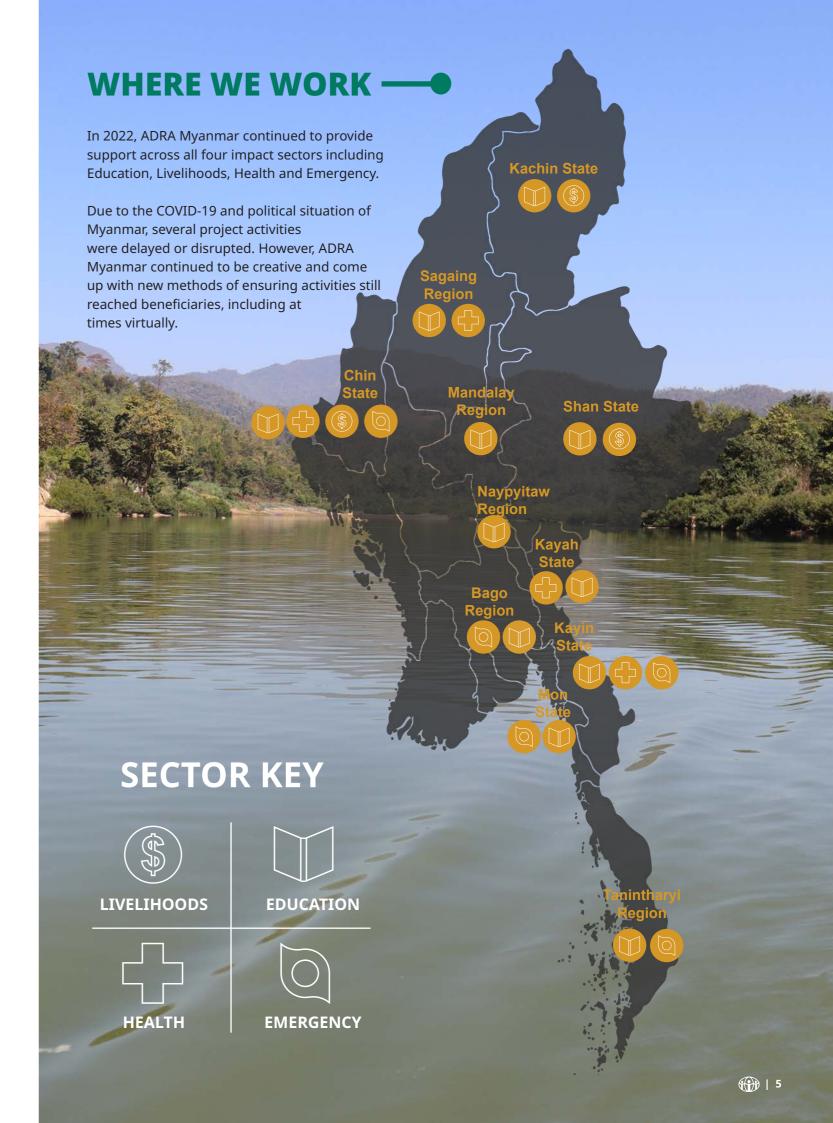
**COURAGEOUS** 

**COMPASSIONATE** 

#### **OUR PURPOSE**

TO SERVE HUMANITY
SO ALL MAY LIVE AS
GOD INTENDED





### **OUR HISTORY**



#### 1956

The 'Seventh Day Adventist Welfare Service' (SAWS) first established by the Seventh Day Adventist church, to provide immediate and emergency relief and welfare.

#### 1958-62

SAWS organises a relief shipment of supplies to 29 countries valuing at USD\$2.3 million over 4 years targeted at South America and the Middle East.

#### 1970-73

SAWS broaden its mission focus from disaster relief to long term programs. SAWS is changed to 'Seventh Day Adventist World Service'.

#### 1983

SAWS began the Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) working in community, development food distributions and emergency relief.

#### 1984

Seventh Day Adventist church of Myanmar plays and active part within the Myanmar Health Department and establishes what we know today as ADRA Myanmar.

#### 1992

ADRA Myanmar is registered with the Ministry of Home Affairs and builds a working relationship with the Ministry of Education (MoE-DTVE).

### 1997

ADRA is one of the leading NGOs in the world. ADRA International is established in the US and granted General Consultative Status by the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations.

### 2000's

ADRA Myanmar signs an MoU with the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Social Welfare Relief and Resettlement.

### 2008

Cyclone Nargis wreaks havoc across Myanmar causing USD\$10 billion worth in damage. ADRA Myanmar uses international emergency funds to provide relief.

#### 2016

ADRA Myanmar establishes 4 core sectors; sustainable livelihoods, education, health & nurtrition and emergency response

#### 2018

Moonsoonal floods cause widespread damage in Kayin State. ADRA Myanmar Provides emergency food packages to affected communities.

#### 2019

ADRA Myanmar celebrates its 35<sup>th</sup>Anniversary and gains the USD\$23 million European Union funded, CASE2Learn project, the largest project to date.



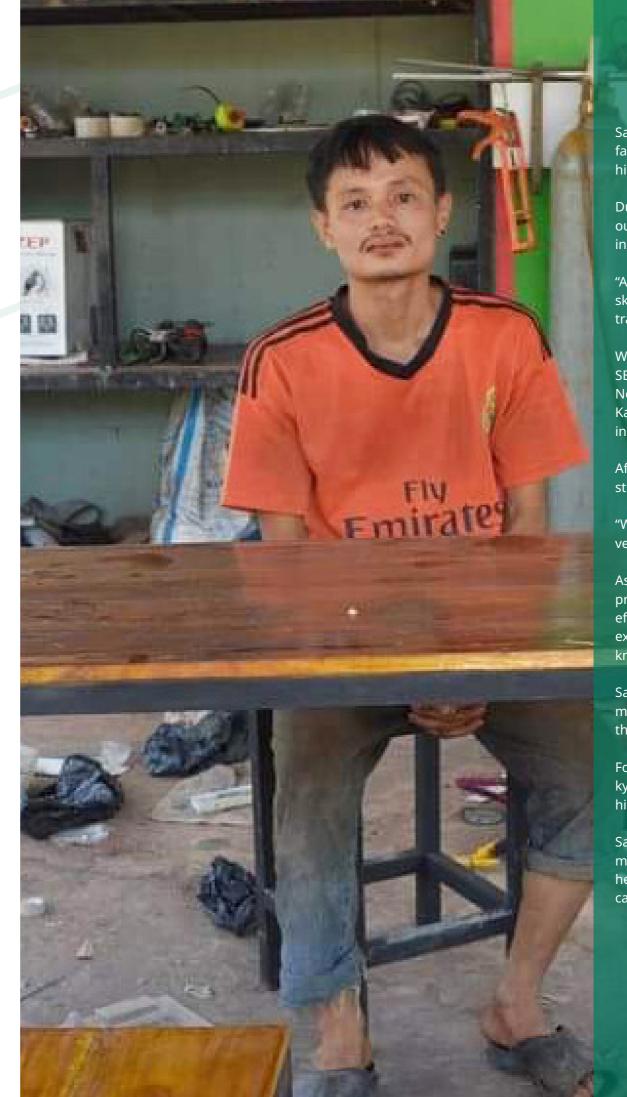
# **EDUCATION** SECTOR

The **EDUCATION** sector aims to provide assistance to teachers, students, communities and schools to enhance local education systems and improve quality of learning through the provision of learning materials, developing school infrastructure, promoting professional development of teachers, support to school management committees and parent teacher associations, and support for advocacy and policy development.

The programs promote inclusion and social cohesion to address needs of learners, lessen gender imbalances, increase protection of women, girls and boys and positively shape values, attitudes and skills. ADRA has developed positive relationships with Indigenous Providers of Education in conflict affected areas where children do not have access to an education, reaching thousands of Out of School children through teachers establishing Education service (TEES) programs and distributing teaching and learning materials. For those who have 'missed' the opportunity for education, technical and vocational education and training (TVET) programs provide youth with employable skills through market-driven competency-based short courses that are certified.

ADRA's advocacy and policy engagement is evidence based and developed around synergies that build cooperation and mutual trust between key stakeholders supporting the humanitarian-development-peace nexus. In addition, ADRA is also a part of the Ethnic Education in States and Regions (EESR) group which is supporting ethnic education in Myanmar.

PROJECT	PARTNER/DONOR LOCATION	BENEFICIARIES REACH (2022)	PROJECT BUDGET
MoFA III	- MoFA - Kayin State	521	\$445,541
<b>BRIGHT</b> Breaking Barriers, Improving Girls' Education, Hope and Totality	- Global Affairs Canada, ADRA Canada, - Shan State, Kayah State	12,981	\$2,932,643
<b>CASE2Learn</b> Conflict Areas Support for Education 2 Learn	- European Union, ADRA UK ADRA Germany - Mon, Chin, Shan, Kayah,Kachin, Kayin, Bago, Nay Pyi Taw, Sagaing, Mandalay, Tanintharyi Regions	341,189	\$23,789,473
<b>SEAQE2</b> Strengthening Equity, Access and Quality in Education	- NORAD, ADRA Norway - Kayin State, Bago Region	126,985	\$5,314,156
SEAQE2 Emergency	- ADRA Norway , NORAD - Kayin State, Bago, Tanintharyi Region	26,215	\$1,008,000
<b>ADVOCACY</b> Focus Country Pilot Project	- ADRA International - National	-	\$12,186



## **SAW HEIN**

Saw Hein is the sixth son of 12 siblings having 14 family members altogether. To earn an income, his family grows seasonal fruits and vegetables.

Due to his family situation, Saw Hein had to drop out of school from Grade 6 to work as a mason in order to support his family's income.

"At that time, I was willing to study welding skills, but I didn't have enough money to pay the training fees."

When Saw Hein heard about ADRA Myanmar's SEAQE2 project funded by Norad and ADRA Norway offering some vocational training in Kayin State, he grasped the opportunity to enroll in iron welding as a student in Batch 3.

After attending this training, he continued to study steel welding in Batch 1.

"When I was selected for the short course, I was very happy"

As a part of the short course, the internship program which follows training, has been effective for students to learn through experience and practical means, real world knowledge on how to apply the skills they learnt.

Saw Hein was so happy and delighted to gain more knowledge and experience about welding thanks to the SEAQE2 project.

Following training, Saw Hein received 250,000 kyats from the SEAQE2 project in order to set up his own business with other financial support.

Saw Hein feels this training has helped him in more ways than one. He believes the experience he has gained will support him to further his career.

## **LIVELIHOODS** SECTOR

The **LIVELIHOODS** sector aims to increase food security, livelihoods and resilience in the upland areas of Myanmar. This is achieved by diversifying livelihoods, introducing climate-smart agricultural approaches such as: drip irrigation, as well as piloting holistic grazing management practices to address land degradation.

Programs are focused on building technical knowledge and learning to enable future evidence-based planning and policy dialogue to address: climate change and extreme weather related events, building resilience through enabling the development of absorptive, adaptive and transformative capacities, knowledge and strategies for sustainable livelihoods.

Beneficiaries are provided training in planting of seasonal crops, raising and caring for livestock, developing cultural skills such as weaving and increasing knowledge of value chain marketing to increase income generation.

Programs in upland areas focus on improving natural resource management and land use planning using Sloping Agricultural Land Technologies (SALT) and diversifying livelihoods to reduce dependence on rain fed agriculture to improve water resource management. This promotes sustainable forest land management and prevention of land degradation through reducing overuse of swidden agriculture techniques.

PROJECT	PARTNER/DONOR	BENEFICIARIES	PROJECT
	LOCATION	REACH (2022)	BUDGET
<b>SHAPE</b> Sustainable Health, Agriculture, Protection, and Empowerment	- MFAT, ADRA New Zealand - Chin State	300	\$2,080,305



## **NUNG TANG**

30 years old, Ngun Thang, who lives in Matupi Township, Southern Chin State, is a Sloping Agricultural Land Technology (SALT) farmer, cultivating his two acres of SALT farmland. He heads a three-member family, including his wife, and himself, and takes care of his elderly mother.

He was formerly a typical small-scale Chin farmer, running the family's livelihood based on slash and burn agricultural practice, which is considered to be unsustainable for agricultural land management and degradable for the environment.

With the introduction of SALT by the MFAT and ADRA New Zealand funded SURE (Sustainable Rural Economic Development Project) in late 2019, he took a special interest in the agricultural practices entailed by SALT because he learned from the project that he could have more complete management of the soil in his plot and he could sustain it by always regenerating the soil of the farmland for longerterm use.

In the farmland plot, perennial crops like avocado, chili, and lime, planted last fall, are seen thriving, with a survival rate of 76% with avocado and 75% with lime.

He intends to plant 280 coffee seedlings and 25 more avocado seedlings from his home-grown nursery in the rainy season. Besides, there are some more seeds of crops like 40 bags of avocado, one tin of coffee, and three vises of elephant foot yam already grown and under nurtured in the nursery.

He received the support of 21 coils of barbed wire and 4 coils of soft water pipes from the project.

The total harvest he achieved in the last harvest season from the farmland was: 12 baskets of sweet corn and a sale of 250,000 MMK worth of elephant foot yam.

"I hope the perennial crops in the plot will bring us a passive income in the near future."

## **HEALTH SECTOR**

The **HEALTH** sector supports vulnerable population groups in conflict affected areas. ADRA Myanmar actively supports health in Myanmar since 1993 and has built strong working relationships with a variety of organizations and groups.

The programs improve the health and nutrition of communities by: training health workers in maternal, new born and child health (MNCH), improving nutrition rates amongst pregnant mothers and children, providing hygiene education, developing water, sanitation and medical facilities, operating mobile health clinics, providing medical supplies, supporting referrals, promoting healthy living and increasing awareness on relevant health issues.

ADRA Myanmar focuses on water, and sanitation services, primary health care (PHC) services includes; basic curative care, maternal and child health services, sexual and reproductive health, prevention and control of communicable diseases, chronic disease management, health education and community outreach and coordination and referral systems for displaced people in hardto-reach remote areas.

PROJECT	PARTNER/DONOR LOCATION	BENEFICIARIES REACH (2022)	PROJECT BUDGET
<b>ELACAP</b> Emergency Life Saving Assistance to Conflict Affected Population	- BHA/USAID - Kayin State, Mon State, Chin State	63,840	\$1,600,000
<b>RECAP</b> Relief of Conflict Affected Population	- BHA/USAID - Kayin State, Mon State, Chin State, Kayah State, Sagaing Region	8,573	\$2,500,000



## **SAW THEIN**

Saw Thein is 29 years old and is one of the IDPs who have benefited from the UNICEF supported project in Kayin State. He lives with his wife and son at the camp.

The conflict started in 2016, and he felt no longer safe in their home village. His family moved to the IDP camp in Myaing Gyi Ngu township. While he was living in his native village, he sold betel leaves for his earnings. In the current IDP camp, he drives a motorcycle taxi and runs a small grocery store at home.

"We suppose that the diarrhea outbreak was because the water from the dug well was not clean enough for drinking. If we had diarrhea, we had to go to the hospital. It is also costly. We faced some health problems"

Soon, the UNICEF Emergency WASH project came to their area and supported WASH supplies to improve community health. The project covered some needy areas in Kayin State.

The project aims to optimize the health impacts of infrastructure operations, especially in water and sanitation. Clean water and sanitation facilities can improve maternal and child health in poor households, particularly in conflict areas.

The community receives water filters as part of WASH supplies and NFI distribution activities, and the Saw Thein Soe family has also become one of the beneficiaries.

"The water filter can give enough water for five people to drink a day." Saw Thein Soe Said.

The project also distributed water purification powders and water purification tablets to the beneficiaries to use when the water is polluted during the wet season.

Their family is happier now because they are in good health: UNICEF Emergency project supports the community to live a healthier life.

# **EMERGENCY** SECTOR

The **EMERGENCY** sector provides humanitarian assistance to those affected by natural disasters or conflict through multi-purpose cash grants, cash for work, food assistance, non-food items, shelter assistance, and increasing access to clean water and sanitation facilities.

ADRA Myanmar has a National Emergency Management Plan (NEMP) in place that enables the rapid mobilization of team members and resources in the event of a disaster. Several ADRA Myanmar's staff have been trained in Emergency Response in order to provide and lead the technical support required during an emergency in country.

Through partnerships such as AVSI and the FRC, ADRA Myanmar works in conflict affected areas in Northern Shan States to support the education of children and youth, health and livelihoods for IDPs and the surrounding local communities.

PROJECT	PARTNER/DONOR LOCATION	BENEFICIARIES REACH (2022)	PROJECT BUDGET
UNICEF Emergency WASH Provision of critical water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) assistance for crisis-affected populations	- UNICEF - Kayin State	37,919	\$566,430
<b>UNICEF (WC4P)</b> WASH Conflict Analysis and Feasibility study for Water as Catalyst for Peace in Kayin	- UNICEF - Kayin State	2,390	\$311,497
UNICEF WinS (WASH in School) Provision of water for community in a village and WASH facilities in Schools	- UNICEF - Kayin State	-	\$524,790
JPF Emergency	- ADRA Japan, Japan Platform - Kayin State	6,115	\$145,290
<b>VESI</b> Vocational Education to Support IDPs	- LIFT, AVSI, FRC - Kachin State and Northern Shan State	955	\$2,200,000



## DAW NAW OO

62 year old Daw Naw Oo is an IDP living in a relocation internally displaced person camp in Kayin State. She has eight family members, and one son is disabled.

In 2016 when the conflict broke out, her family fled to Myaing Gyi Ngu, but living in an IDP camp has been difficult for Daw Naw Oo's family.

Since 2021, the UNICEF funded 'UNICEF Emergency WASH' project has been providing water and sanitation support in Kayin State. One of the project's activities is to construct emergency family latrines. 248 latrines benefiting almost 2,000 community members were constructed in Myaing Gyi Ngu camp, including Daw Naw Oo's family.

"While living there, even though there were communal latrines, they were far away from our place and I had to wait. Cleanliness was also very poor."

Due to overpopulation in the IDP Camp, WASH facilities, including latrines, were often insufficient. On top of this, existing latrines were often poorly constructed and there was a lack of hygiene in the camp.

A member of the IDP camp committee stated, "The latrines constructed by ADRA are for individual family's use. Thus, it can be used for a long period. There were some problems with the previous communal latrines such as; difficulties with sufficient water and having to wait to use a latrine."

"The new latrines give us the privacy and security that we need," said Daw Naw Oo.



# **FINANCE**STATEMENT

PROJECT	PROJECT START DATE	PROJECT END DATE	YEARLY BUDGET	YEARLY EXPENDITURE
LIVELIHOODS				
<b>SHAPE</b> Sustainable Health, Agriculture, Protection, and Empowerment	November 2021	June 2026	\$278,997	\$223,126
	E	DUCATION		
<b>BRIGHT</b> Breaking Barriers, Improving Girls' Education, Hope and Totality	May 2020	March 2024	\$1,214,963	\$1,069,167
CASE2Learn Conflict Areas Support for Education 2 Learn	July 2019	May 2024	\$4,934,571	\$3,083,172
SEAQE2 Strengthening Equity, Access and Quality in Education	March 2019	December 2023	\$964,438	\$929,813
SEAQE2 EMERGENCY	November 2021	May 2022	\$990,660	\$990,660
EDUCATION ASSISTANCE PROJECT MOFA-3	March 2021	March 2022	\$425,498	\$331,821
ADVOCACY Focus Country Pilot Project	January 2022	December 2022	\$12,186	\$9,011
		HEALTH		
<b>ReCAP</b> Relief of Conflict Affected Population	July 2022	July 2023	\$565,000	\$284,752
<b>ELACAP</b> Emergency Life Saving Assistance to Conflict Affected Population	July 2021	July 2022	\$963,380	\$954,474
	E	MERGENCY		
<b>VESI</b> Vocational Education Support for IDPs	July 2019	December 2022	\$867,946	\$873,213
JPF Emergency Project	September 2022	February 2023	\$126,000	\$123,657
UNICEF Emergency WASH	October 2021	June 2022	\$331,298	\$316,895
UNICEF WinS (WASH in School)	December 2022	June 2023	\$30,600	\$2,232
UNICEF WC4P Water as Catalyst for Peace Among Conflict Affected Population in Kayin State	June 2022	March 2023	\$211,497	\$95,157
			\$11,917,034	\$9,287,149

**NOTE:** The ratios expressed are subject to exchange rates, depreciation, and accountability as reported on the audited finance statement. All amounts are depicted in \$USD as it is the designated currency utilized for all ADRA Myanmar's projects and administration costs.

# **PARTNERS** & DONORS

Our projects would not be possible without the continued support and funding from our partners and donors both locally and internationally. ADRA Myanmar has continued to strengthen exisiting partnerships to expand project activities to reach the most vulnerable. Below is a list of our partners and donors for 2022:

- ADRA Asia Regional Office
- ADRA International
- ADRA Germany
- ADRA United Kingdom
- ADRA Norway
- ADRA Denmark
- ADRA Belgium
- ADRA Canada and Global Affairs Canada
- ADRA Japan
- ADRA New Zealand and Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
- Seventh-Day Adventist Church of Myanmar
- Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (Norad)
- European Union (EU)
- UNOPS/LIFT
- BHA/USAID
- UNICEF
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (MOFA)
- Myanmar Humanitarian Fund
- Finnish Refugee Council (FRC)
- Associazione Volontari Servizio Internazionale (AVSI)
- Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC)
- RISE Network
- Karen Department of Health & Welfare (KDHW)
- Committee for Internally Displace Karen People (CIDKP)
- Free the Oppressed Foundation (FTO)
- Karen Education and Culture Department (KECD)
- Adventist Community Services (ACS)
- Other Partners and Donors



