

Annual Report 2024



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Brighter Futures through Quality Education and Healthcare

**Enfants
du Monde**



Our Vision

A world where every child can pursue a bright future and thrive in their community.

Our Mission

Quality healthcare and education have the power to change lives. Enfants du Monde works to uphold these key pillars of human rights for vulnerable children and women across Africa, Asia, and Latin America. **By placing pedagogy at the core of our work,** we strengthen public systems and deepen their impact through **three essential levers:**

- **Training** teachers and health workers to improve professional practices
- **Empowering** families to support their children's learning and well-being
- **Mobilising** communities and partners for sustainable, locally driven impact.

When Expertise Drives Institutional Change

Working closely with local experts, we contribute to shaping public policies that deliver lasting impact. Together with national ministries, we design innovative approaches that are tested in the field and gradually incorporated into national systems.

In education, our bilingual teaching programmes, locally grounded learning materials and active teacher-training methods are now used in public schools, as well as in non-formal settings supporting out-of-school adolescents and adult learners. These tools and methods are increasingly embedded in the entire education training system.

In health, our training modules form part of both the initial and continuing education for health workers, while our community-based approaches are deployed in support of public institutions in collaboration with local authorities.

Our Strengths

- Over 50 years of field experience, working closely with communities and building long-standing trust
- Expert teams, both in-country and at headquarters, design and lead our programmes with deep knowledge of national systems
- Culturally rooted programmes developed with and for the communities we serve
- Strong institutional anchoring through partnerships with national ministries
- Trusted by major global actors: development agencies, OCHA, the European Union and Education Cannot Wait
- Zewo-certified, guaranteeing transparency in the management of received funds

Message from the President

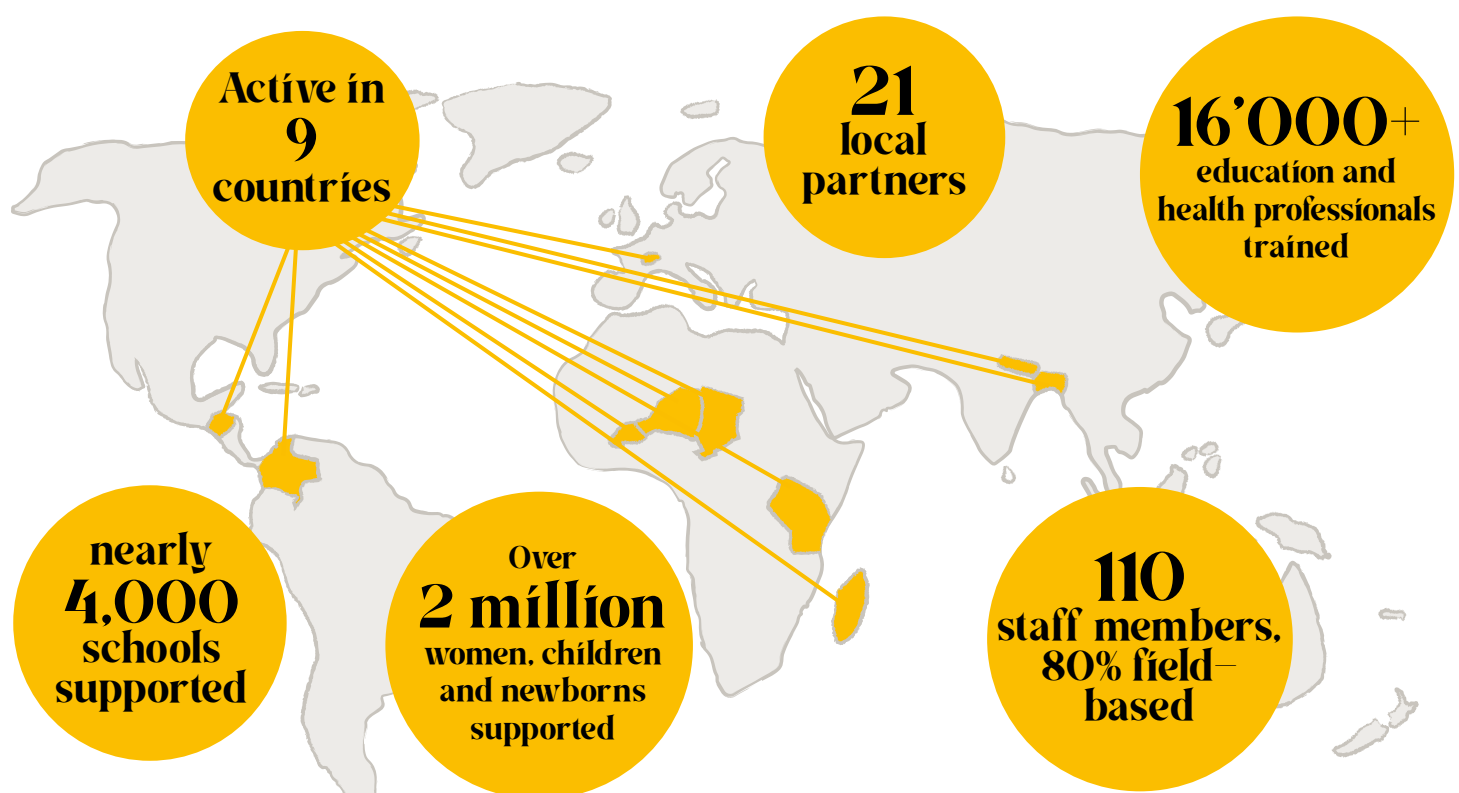


Like many NGOs, Enfants du Monde needs to adapt to drastic cuts in international aid and to a climate of mistrust toward the values of solidarity and respect that underpin our work. Despite the decline in funding, which places our activities at risk, we remain confident in the relevance of our mission and steadfast in our commitment to advancing children's rights. We continue to invest in basic education and education in emergencies. Alongside our efforts to improve the health of the most vulnerable, these are two essential pillars that uphold dignity, social justice and the empowerment of communities. To keep responding to the needs of children, young people and pregnant women, we must mobilise new support. Share our message, speak about our work and support us financially. Your support matters more than ever.

Robert Thomson

2024 At a Glance

Despite growing challenges, Enfants du Monde continues to work where access to essential services is lacking. Alongside local actors, we strengthen public education and health systems, develop culturally relevant pedagogical materials, and promote more respectful health practices. By combining **technical expertise, strong local anchoring and community mobilisation**, we open new pathways for progress, even in the most fragile of contexts.



Bilingual Pedagogy for Equal Opportunities

Learning outcomes, even in adversity. In contexts marked by conflict or poverty, where education faces significant challenges, we bring our pedagogical expertise to make learning possible. Through **active, child-centred and culturally relevant approaches**, we strengthen basic literacy and numeracy skills and help teachers develop more effective practices. **Our expertise in bilingual pedagogy (teaching in both local languages and the official language of instruction)** makes learning more accessible. Our engaging materials, rooted in students' realities, are developed with local communities and authorities to address real needs on the ground.

Burkina Faso

Schooling for Children Displaced by Conflict

In Burkina Faso, **the security crisis and large-scale displacements have left nearly one million children out of school.** To respond to this emergency, **we implement** alternative teaching programmes that help children catch up on what they've missed in school. We provide school supply kits and train teachers in psychosocial support. Targeted actions also promote girls' access to education, such as the installation of latrines and water points in schools, as well as the distribution of menstrual hygiene kits. These efforts offer children a more stable environment, **allowing them to resume their education and begin to overcome the trauma caused by conflict.** Many children have thus regained access to schooling and a sense of normalcy.

In just 4 years,
success rates for
the primary education
certificate in
participating schools
rose from
52% to 82%



Promoting Academic Success in Public Schools

In regions spared from violence, we work with the Burkinabè Ministry of Education to **improve bilingual education in French and national languages in public schools.** We train teachers in **active teaching methods and develop bilingual textbooks.** We involve local communities through school management committees. Three teaching guides, developed in collaboration with national pedagogical advisors and aligned with the new education policy, have been validated by the Ministry, marking a major step forward.



543.804
Participating
children, young
people and
adults

Niger

A second chance for out-of-school adolescents

The Alternative Education for Youth project, funded by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation and implemented with our partners SwissContact and the Ministry of Education, **offers out-of-school children aged 9 to 14 the opportunity to acquire basic reading, writing, and math skills.** Across **315 non-formal education centres**, accelerated and contextualized programmes based on local trades—such as blacksmithing, catering, and market gardening—help boost motivation and prepare young people to return to **school or pursue vocational training.**

Building Capacity for Lasting Impact

In 2024, we trained 362 teachers in our multilingual pedagogy, which has also been integrated into national training structures. Community engagement remains central to the project: 315 mother-educators and 119 female teachers were trained in menstrual hygiene to better support girls' schooling. In total, 8,000 young people completed the school year, achieving a success rate of 70%.

Chad

Improving Learning: An Investment in the Future

In Chad, schools face instability, population displacement, and flooding. Yet, in the 2,151 schools supported by the programme funded by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), **children are learning better** – success rates have increased significantly. **Over 5,600 teachers have been trained in participatory teaching methods** and in classroom management and more than **24,000 school supplies** have been distributed. The programme, supported by regional authorities and local communities, is firmly rooted in the public education system. Parents have been **trained in the operational management of schools**, and **income-generating activities** already support several institutions.

Promoting Inclusion and Youth Empowerment

Access to quality education remains unequal in Chad, particularly for **girls, young people with disabilities and those with limited prior schooling.** To address this, we provide an inclusive approach that combines individualised support, community awareness-raising and we help participants towards achieving independence. At the same time, **we strengthen literacy and non-formal education programmes for young people and adults.** A total of **288 centres** have welcomed more than **14,000 learners: 10,000 women and 4,000 men.** The schedules and learning are **adapted to local realities**, allowing each person to progress at their own pace.

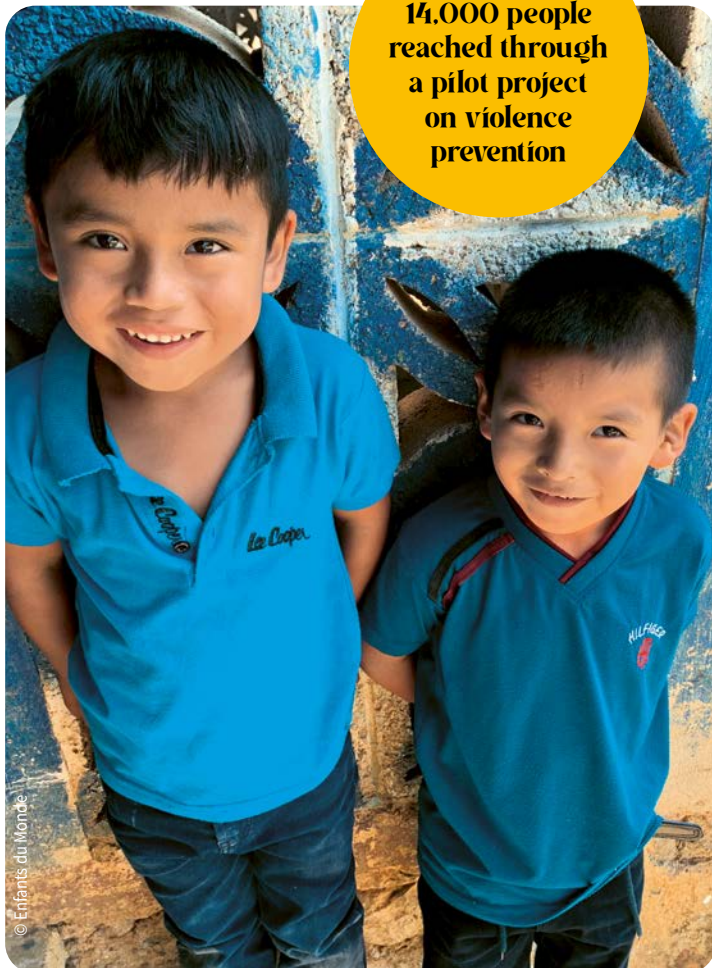


Guatemala

Protecting Maya Students and Breaking Barriers to Learning

In Guatemala, **Spanish remains the only official language of instruction, creating obstacles for children** who speak one of the country's 22 Maya languages. In the departments of Alta Verapaz and Chimaltenango, our bilingual education programme supports **53,939 students**. We **train teachers** in active teaching methods that **integrate Spanish and the local Maya language**, while **valuing students' culture through textbooks and lessons**. A total of 2,425 teachers and education professionals have been supported, and 14 pedagogical tools have been developed. The programme is now officially recognised by the Ministry of Education as a pilot initiative.

More than
14.000 people
reached through
a pilot project
on violence
prevention



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In this **country marked by high levels of insecurity**, we are introducing new approaches to make schools safer environments. Through an innovative project carried out in 43 schools, 325 teachers have been trained **in violence prevention and socio-emotional support**. More than 8,000 students and 5,700 parents have been sensitised, and 39 school committees dedicated to child protection have been established. Despite the authorities' suspension of sexual and reproductive education, our teams have adapted their approach to continue **providing children with essential information while complying with the new guidelines**.

Switzerland

Ensuring Every Child Knows their Rights



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Over 3,000
individuals
have signed the
Declaration of
Children's Rights
Geneva 2024

Illustration produced to mark the centenary of the Declaration of the Rights of the Child

The Geneva Declaration on the Rights of the Child

In response to global challenges such as poverty, violence and the climate emergency, Enfants du Monde is proud to have contributed to the **new Declaration on the Rights of the child Geneva 2024** under the auspices of Professor Philip Jaffé of the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child, alongside Terre des Hommes Suisse, Save the Children, and the City of Geneva. **This Declaration reaffirms essential principles, such as the protection of children and their right to participate fully in society**. Supported by more than 3,000 citizens and influential figures, it was officially launched on 20 November 2024, on the occasion of International Children's Rights Day at Palais Eynard in Geneva.

Teaching Children about their Rights

In French-speaking Switzerland, we continued **our project "Un Monde plus Juste" ("A Fairer World")** to ensure that **children's rights are taught in schools**. We **train teachers** and provide supporting pedagogical tools about children's rights. In 2024, two flagship initiatives stood out: an interactive exhibition hosted in five community centres in Geneva, and an audiovisual exchange between Swiss and Burkinabè children on their rights. These activities strengthened children's understanding, ownership and their ability to share what they have learned about their rights.

2 Health



Together, Putting People at the Heart of Public Health Systems

A respectful relationship between health workers and patients, informed and engaged communities, and more accessible, adapted health services: all of this becomes possible through **trusted partnerships** and **coordinated field action**. Enfants du Monde works alongside ministries of health and local NGOs to sustainably **strengthen maternal, neonatal and child health services**. Our teams train health professionals in patient-centred care, support authorities in implementing appropriate policies, and mobilise communities. Together, **we build responses that are effective, sustainable and rooted in local realities**.

Bangladesh

Preventing Risks Amid Growing Health and Climate Challenges

In Bangladesh, **many pregnant women still die** each year due to insufficient health information and inadequate care. In the rural district of Brahmanbaria, we work with the Ministry of Health and the NGO BRAC to **train health workers in maternal and neonatal health** and **to raise families' awareness** of danger signs during pregnancy. In 2024, despite a major political crisis, the programme was able to expand: more health workers were trained, and nearly 300,000 women benefited from health education activities, improving access to care and enhancing communities' capacity to protect their health.



In coastal areas, saltwater contamination damages the soil and harms people's health, especially that of women and girls. Our pilot project links **reproductive health with climate adaptation**. Together with our partners, we co-created pedagogical tools, trained 15 community health workers to carry out **awareness-raising activities** in their villages, and supported more than 2,000 women and adolescent girls through health education sessions and **improved access to care**. A clinic was also renovated. These local initiatives are paving the way for more resilient healthcare in the face of climate change.

Burkina Faso

Mobilising and Raising Awareness to Protect the Health of Mothers and Babies

In Burkina Faso, **giving birth remains a challenge**. In response to the unstable security situation, we are facilitating access to maternal and child healthcare across 13 districts, in collaboration with the Ministry of Health and local partners.



Many women lack vital information about their health and that of their babies. **Our birth-preparedness leaflet**, developed with the Ministry of Health, is accessible even to women who cannot read, thanks to its detailed illustrations. **Our free mobile apps**, "Mon Bébé et Moi" ("My Baby and Me") and "Mon Enfant Grandit" ("My Child is Growing Up") offer written and audio content in local languages, providing parents with essential complementary information.

We **train healthcare workers to provide respectful, attentive care**, and encourage husbands to actively support their partners. Through health education, communities are mobilising their own resources and initiating concrete solutions to improve access to care: rehabilitating roads, building waiting facilities for expectant mothers close to health centres, these are all initiatives that enable women to give birth in safer conditions. In certain districts particularly affected by insecurity, such as Ouargaye, we are **also strengthening community response**: 24 traditional birth attendants have been trained in hygienic delivery practices, appropriate kits have been distributed, and 22 health workers have been prepared to support pregnancies in emergency contexts.

Across four districts,
97% of births
were attended by
qualified personnel
in 2024,
compared to 89.7%
in 2020

Madagascar

547
pregnant women
took part in
our childbirth
preparation
classes

The Country's First Public Childbirth Preparation Classes

In Madagascar, **maternal and neonatal mortality remains alarmingly high** due to limited access to health care and insufficient support for pregnant women. In partnership with FISA, Innovative Healthcare and the Ministry of Public Health, we launched **an ambitious pilot project aimed at integrating birth preparation into the practices of healthcare professionals, using innovative educational tools** aligned with national standards. The country's first structured childbirth preparation course has now been rolled out in several centres. The training of healthcare professionals has laid a solid foundation for improved support for mothers and newborns.

Tanzania

Young People Educating Their Peers to Protect their Health

In Tanzania, the lack of information and persistent taboos expose adolescents to **early pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections**. In the Ulanga district in the south of the country, we launched a project with the Ministry of Health and our Swiss partner SolidarMed to raise awareness amongst young people about these risks. **We trained 24 young people aged 9 to 23 and 11 facilitators** in an interactive pedagogical approach. These young peer **educators** then engage in dialogue with other teenagers, **passing on essential knowledge** about puberty, contraception and the prevention of sexual violence, **thereby helping to shift attitudes**. In 2024, 94% of adolescents in our areas of intervention benefitted from at least one appropriate sexual and reproductive health service, compared to 55% in 2023.

Nepal

Youth attendance
at health care
centres increased
from 5% to 55%.



Improving Maternal and Adolescent Health

With our partner Green Tara Nepal, we have been working for several years **to support pregnant women and young mothers** in the Lumbini province, improving **access to essential care before and after childbirth**. To ensure high quality care, we train healthcare workers in respectful communication and **patient-centred care**. Thanks to these efforts, women report better quality care and greater satisfaction during consultations. In 2024, our respectful care modules were incorporated into the Ministry of Health's national training package, paving the way for their nationwide rollout.

Since 2024, we have also worked to make health services **more accessible to adolescents and better adapted to their needs**, and to achieve a lasting reduction in **early pregnancies and forced marriages**. To this end, we **train teachers and health professionals, integrate sexuality education into schools, raise awareness among out-of-school young people**, and involve local communities.

Five ministries
approved our
teaching materials
for sexual health
education sessions





Our Team and Partners

This report reflects a collective commitment. It has been made possible thanks to the trust and support of all those who believe in our mission. Alongside us, a community of donors, members, partners, volunteers, staff, and allies work every day to ensure that more children, adolescents, and mothers can learn, access quality care and build a safer and more dignified future.

We also extend our thanks to all our staff, both in Switzerland and in the field. Through their dedication, rigor, and expertise, our team makes the daily implementation of our actions possible, as close as possible to the needs of the communities we serve.

Our Team

COMMITTEE

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GOODWILL AMBASSADORS

Julia Bauer: TV journalist and communication coach, Patrick Chappatte: Press cartoonist, Licia Chery: Artist and TV presenter

Our financial partners

We express our sincere gratitude to all those who made our work possible in 2024 through their financial support: public institutions, foundations, companies and individual donors. Their commitment to our education and health programmes helps to advance the rights of the most vulnerable populations in a sustainable way. We would like to extend our special thanks to the major partners listed below, while also warmly recognising all donors whose trust and generosity make our work possible every day.

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Our operational partners

We would like to express our deep gratitude to our partners, especially at the local level, whose knowledge, expertise and daily commitment in the field are central to the impact of our work. Their presence alongside us makes it possible to implement concrete, relevant and sustainable solutions that are closely aligned with local realities.

Adelagor (Association for the Development of the Gor Language), AFAID (Association of Women for the Support of Development Initiatives), Andal and Pinal, Aprodif (Association for the Promotion of Integrated Development and Training), BRAC, ESDO, Ciedi, Ciprevica, FAPLN (Federation of Associations for the Promotion of National Languages), FDC, FISA, Green Tara Nepal, IPC, Tintua, Ministry of National Education, Literacy and Promotion of National Languages of Burkina Faso; Ministry of National Education and Civic Promotion of Chad; Padiese (Partnership for Support to Health and Environmental Education Initiatives), Planète Enfants & Développement, Soder (Solidarity for Rural Development), SolidarMed, SwissContact, VIE (Vision and Initiatives for the Environment).



Finacial Overview

ENFANTS DU MONDE IN FIGURES 2024

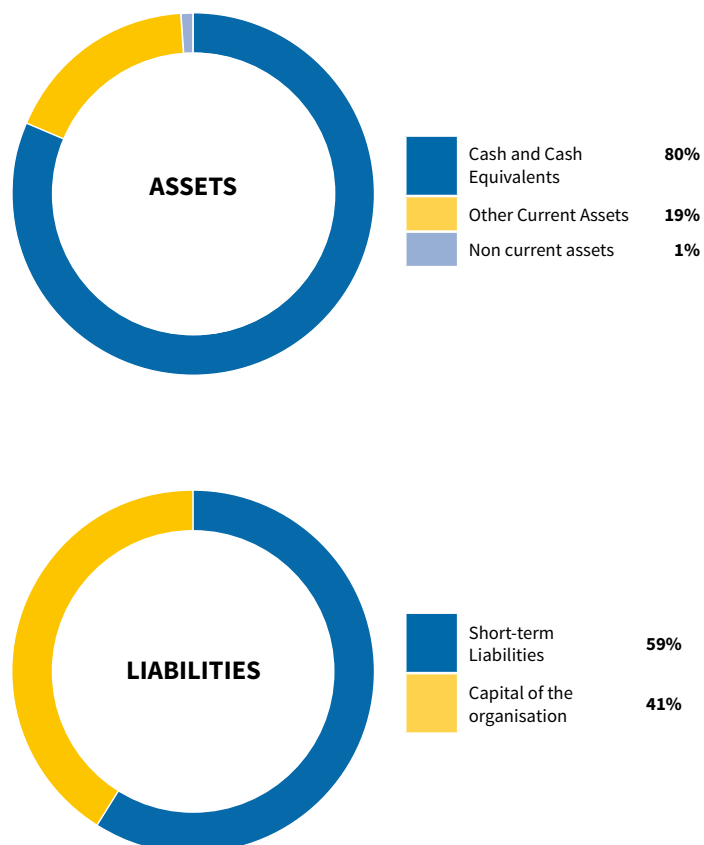
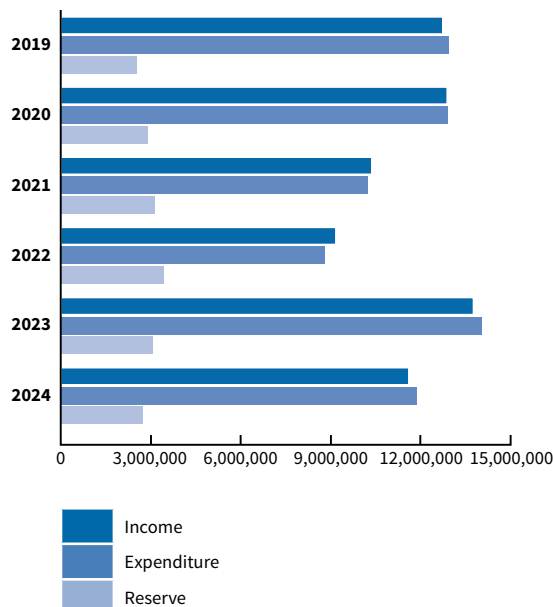
BALANCE SHEET (CHF)

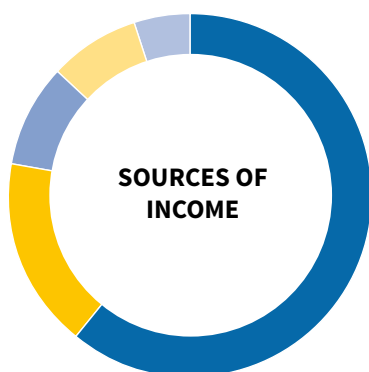
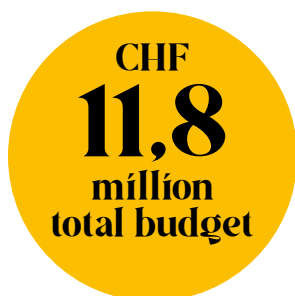
ASSETS	2024	2023
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	5 274 101	7 850 816
Other receivables	54 595	57 152
Prepaid expenses and accrued income	163 593	118 360
Receivables from suppliers	1 045 528	
Total current assets	6 537 816	8 026 328
Non current assets		
Fixed assets	10 470	9 530
Financial assets	32 358	71 227
Total non current assets	42 828	80 757
TOTAL ASSETS	6 580 644	8 107 086
LIABILITIES	2024	2023
Short-term liabilities		
Account payable	638 173	308 713
Deferred income	3 214 365	3 635 524
Total current liabilities	3 852 538	3 944 237
Total restricted capital		1 081 629
Capital of the organisation		
Reserve	2 969 678	3 363 600
Loss for the financial year	-241 572	-282 380
Total capital of the organisation	2 728 106	3 081 220
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES	6 580 644	8 107 086

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (CHF)

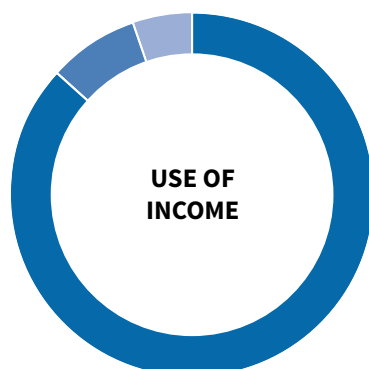
Operating income	2024	2023
Income	10 428 321	13 777 460
Income from the State and Public Authorities	7 995 281	10 553 959
Income from International Organizations	686 498	1 812 007
Income from Public Generosity – Unrestricted	453 632	410 505
Income from Public Generosity – Restricted	1 292 910	1 000 989
Expenditure		
Direct programme expenses	-10 299 491	-12 708 739
Financing acquisition costs	-640 504	-689 324
Administrative expenses	-970 246	-250 752
Operating surplus	-1 481 921	128 644
Financial losses	-83	-171 295
Financial income	47 262	1 345
Total expenses	-11 863 063	-13 818 766
PROFIT/LOSS BEFORE RESTRICTED FUND ALLOCATION	-1 434 742	-41 306
Allocation to restricted funds	0	-299 408
Use of restricted funds	1 081 629	1 345
Unrestricted capital – Burkina Faso	111 542	
PROFIT/LOSS BEFORE RESTRICTED FUND ALLOCATION	-241 572	-339 369
Use of unrestricted capital	-241 572	-282 380
FINAL ANNUAL PROFIT/LOSS	0	0

FINANCIAL EVOLUTION OF ENFANTS DU MONDE





State and Public Authorities	61%
Non-recurring income related to the restructuring of the accounts	17%
Foundations	9%
Public generosity	8%
International Organizations	5%



Programmes	86%
Fundraising	8%
Management and Administration	5%

ENFANTS DU MONDE IN 2024 – KEY FIGURES

In 2024, Enfants du Monde undertook a major overhaul of its financial management. This included the transition to accrual accounting, the integration of country office expenditures into the headquarters' consolidated accounts, the introduction of analytical accounting, and the rollout of new financial management software.

This transition had a significant impact on the presentation of the financial statements and led to exceptional variations compared to the 2023 financial year. Accounts receivable on the balance sheet increased to CHF 1,045,528, reflecting the cash available in the country offices.

At the same time, the use of restricted funds in the income statement increased sharply, from CHF 58,334 to CHF 1,081,629. This reflects the use of reserves built up in 2023 to finance programme expenditures in 2024.

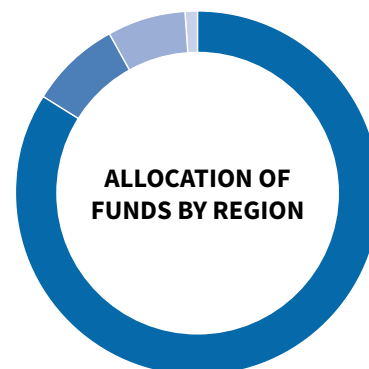
The 2024 financial year shows a loss of CHF 241,572, fully covered by the organisation's free capital, which stood at CHF 2,728,106 as of 31 December 2024.

Administrative costs represent 8% of the total budget, in line with sector standards, while personnel expenses account for 27%, similar to 2022.

The accounts were audited in accordance with Swiss GAAP FER, enabling Enfants du Monde to maintain the ZEWO quality label, which guarantees the efficient and transparent use of donations.

Nicolas Bach

Head of Administration & Finance



Programs in Africa	84%
Programs in Central America	8%
Programs in Asia	7%
Program in Switzerland	1%



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