



ENVIRONMENTAL FOUNDATION OF JAMAICA

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*Environmental Foundation
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MISSION

To be a major funder of environmental protection and child survival initiatives in the interest of sustainable development.



VISION

To be the regional leader in funding and influencing policy for environmental management & conservation, as well as child survival and development.



CORE VALUES

- Good governance that dictates transparency of process and accountability.
- Supporting partnerships and development initiatives consistent with our mission.
- Respecting the value of initiatives coming from the public and private sectors and channelling this interest into partnerships with community groups and other organizations of civil society.
- Developing and maintaining relationships that are consistently ethical while being effective and efficient in doing the organization's business with members, clients and staff.
- Non-discrimination in relation to gender, race, creed and age.



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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

In my 2020/2021 Chairman's message to you, I indicated that the Environmental Foundation of Jamaica's (EFJ) Board of Directors gave its consent to the undertaking of several initiatives in response to the effects of the covid-19 pandemic. It would be remiss of me not to start this year's message by providing an update on some of the activities that we indicated would have been concluded in this financial year.

You may recall that the pandemic coupled with severe financial challenges were affecting the prospects of many civil society organisations (CSOs) remaining a going concern. For us at the EFJ, some of these organisations make up our Membership and Members play a key role in our governance structure. (We will discuss this a bit later.) One of the things that was done last year to assist CSOs was that we had conducted a Call for Proposals through two funding sources; the Forest Conservation Fund (FCF) and the Special Climate Change Adaptation Fund (SCCAF). Through the FCF we agreed to allocate some of the available grant funding to provide budgetary support to CSOs towards the purchase of long lived assets and address capacity strengthening activities. The SCCAF funding was to provide grants in parishes deemed to be 'under served' over the last four years of the SCCAF.

We reported that from the Call for Proposal a total of one hundred and fourteen (114) proposals were received with grant funding requests of over J\$670 million. This underscores the importance of an entity like the EFJ to non-governmental organisations (NGOs) and the significant sector impact funding the work of NGOs by the EFJ can have. The Secretariat shortlisted 34 projects (SCCAF – 23 and from FCF – 11) and conducted due diligence evaluations at the end of the prior financial year. During this year, grants were awarded to 13 projects (8 from FCF valued at approximately J\$60 million and 5 SCCAF valued at approximately J\$25 million). We note that the grant awards and the grant disbursements were a mere drop in the bucket of the CSO needs. I will continue to echo the collective stance of the Board - that at all times we have to find ways to conduct more grant making or make the work of the grantees speak volumes for the EFJ and its invaluable role in sustainable development.



Prof. Dale Webber
CHAIRMAN

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We continue to:

- lend support to those organisations that seek our assistance whether through funding their projects or partnering with them on initiatives to ensure their survival,
- be strategic in our grant making by selecting sustainable projects with the biggest sector impact, and importantly,
- seek funding to provide grants to these CSOs.

For 2021/2022, outside of the grants under TFCA and SCCAF, we also concluded our Fund Administrator Agreement (FAA) with the Forestry Department. Approximately 19 projects were wrapped up and we were able to use the savings from some of the projects to award additional funding to a few of the prior grantees to ensure the sustainability and long term impact of their projects.

Earlier, I mentioned CSOs being Members of the EFJ and their role in the governance structure of the EFJ. CSO Members are responsible for selecting and appointing Term Directors to the EFJ's Board; Term Directors comprise the majority of Board members. The EFJ at one point in its life cycle had over forty (40) Member organisations. Today, sadly we have less than 20 such Members. To be accepted as a Member of the EFJ CSOs, inter alia, would have to be registered, have regular meetings, prepare financial statements on their activities etc. – all of which would have to be submitted to the EFJ. We are unfortunately seeing too many organisations unable to fulfill the above basic requirements.

What can we do?

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- be strategic in our grant making by selecting sustainable projects with the biggest sector impact, and importantly,
- seek funding to provide grants to these CSOs

The EFJ will be the first to admit that getting funding, especially to give grant awards to other organisations, is extremely challenging. The Board and Management continue to expend significant amounts of time and energy in getting the EFJ donor ready, cultivating relationships with potential donors, writing concept notes and submitting proposals - all with a view to finding the elusive and scarce funding.

Further, we are conscious of the fact that we are just two years shy of receiving the last disbursements from the Government of Jamaica under the TFCA and pretty soon we may have to turn to the resources from our Endowment Fund to supplement the work of the EFJ. Which leads me to a highlight the undertakings of the Endowment Trust.

The EFJ's Board decided to have the Finance and General Purposes Committee oversee the management of the Endowment Trust Fund, in lieu of the use of Trustees. In fact, the Trust Deed governing the Endowment Trust Fund had expired. Sygnus Capital has been managing the Endowment portfolio. We can report that in spite of the poor performance of the world economy during the pandemic and, in some cases, the negative returns on investments, the EFJ's portfolio was not severely impacted. The portfolio had a significant amount invested in Equities and an even greater proportion in Cash and cash equivalents. The equities reflected some unrealized losses but having the majority of resources in cash meant that we were able to cushion the effects of losses when compared to the option of having these amounts invested in other assets. We continue to manage and monitor these investments prudently and give our commitment to deploy the cash and cash equivalents in the most beneficial manner as the world economy rebounds.

So what is next for the EFJ?


Well, the Board has given the Secretariat some budgetary support to continue its quest to seek donor funding and we can report that two prospects are in the works. We think it is highly probable that we would be able to have some resources available to assist CSOs within the next two years.

We continue to explore partnerships with the Government of Jamaica and work on securing funding with their assistance.

We continue to review and refine our Strategic Action Plan knowing that we can never lose sight of the fact that it is our duty to "Preserve the future... today".

Prof. Dale Webber

CHAIRMAN





SECRETARIAT REPORT

Through the Board's direction the Secretariat implements projects, policies and activities to further the mandate of the EFJ. One of the major challenges issued to the Secretariat by the Board was to respond to the needs of stakeholders in a timely and efficient manner and, where possible, activities should not only be reactionary but must also be proactive. The needs of the NGO community especially given the impact of the pandemic were underscored to the Secretariat.

The Secretariat took up the challenge and several new ideas and activities continued from the prior financial year while a few new ones were commenced in this reporting period. The Board gave its full support to all the initiatives undertaken by the Secretariat and below we highlight some of the major activities that occurred during the year through the Committee Reports.

GRANT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

The EFJ manages grants under a Grant Management Policy that delineates the procedures for receiving, vetting, awarding, monitoring and evaluating proposals and grants. The grant selection may be impacted by the source of funds and any rules outlined in Fund Administration Agreements (FAA). In the last financial year the EFJ had conducted two Call for Proposals and commenced due diligence assessments on the shortlisted projects.

Eight projects under the Forest Conservation Fund and five under the Special Climate Change Adaptation Fund, with total grant awards of approximately J\$85 million, were selected. We highlight a few of the successfully completed projects and activities below:

FUNDING SOURCE: TROPICAL FOREST CONSERVATION ACT (TFCA; FOREST CONSERVATION FUND, FCF)

For the 2021 FCF Call for Proposals the main thematic areas were:

1. Institutional and Capacity Strengthening, and
2. Protected Areas/Watershed Conservation - Protection focused on Natural Disaster Risk Reduction; Reforestation; and Alternative Livelihoods.

Eight projects were successful in receiving grant funding; seven under the thematic area Institutional and capacity strengthening and one from Protected Areas / Watershed Conservation.

GRANTEE RESPONSIBLE: Caribbean Coastal Area Management Committee Foundation (C-CAM)

PROJECT TITLE: Capacity building of C-CAM to better equip the team

Thematic Area: Institutional Strengthening/Capacity Building

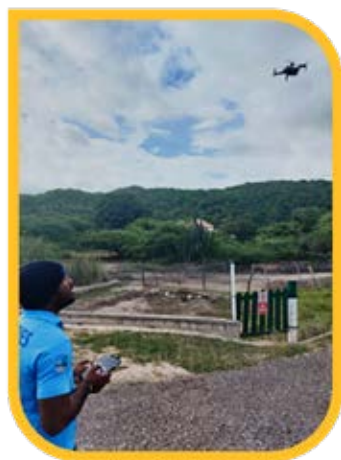
Purpose of the project: The Caribbean Coastal Area Management Foundation has been operating in the Portland Bight Protected Area (PBPA) since 1998 and is seeking to ensure that the capacity of the organization is continuously being built to effectively and efficiently undertake its activities. The project will seek to source the necessary tools, equipment and other support needed to improve the capacity of C-CAM to continue to implement the PBPA Management Plan.



Passive acoustic monitoring device installed at cave in Portland Ridge



CCAM boat docked prior to being launched



Drones in use by team members (training, practise and photography)

OBJECTIVES	ACHIEVEMENT TO DATE	IMPACT TO DATE
To properly equip the Finance & Administration team to manage data	Quickbooks software and 2 laptop computers were acquired to enable staff to efficiently and effectively manage its financial and administration data	4 Staff members trained in the use of the software. Laptops also used to support the accounting of the tours operated by C-CAM
To improve the capacity of the field team to monitor the cave frogs and enforce regulations in the Portland Bight Protected Area	Acoustics devices and drone acquired.	C-CAM has been able to capture sounds of the Portland Ridge cave frog using the Passive Acoustic devices. The information will be used for future management decisions. Staff trained in the use of the drones and will have improved knowledge of using the devices to train other staff members.
To improve C-CAM's earning capacity	C-CAM Boat refurbished.	The boat has provided increased earnings for C-CAM through its eco-tourism programme. It will also serve as a back-up vessel to support patrol, monitoring and enforcement of the PBPA marine space particularly the Special Fishery Conservation Areas (fish sanctuaries).

GRANTEE RESPONSIBLE: Jamaica Conservation and Development Trust (JCDT)

PROJECT TITLE: Institutional support for National Park Management

Thematic Area: Institutional Strengthening/Capacity Building

Purpose of the project: The project is aimed at providing institutional support for JCDT over a twelve month period in the areas of accounting, financial management, income generation and effective protected area management. Specifically, this project will support JCDT's implementation of over JA\$80 million in projects conserving the forests of the Blue and John Crow Mountains by investing in and strengthening the organization's capacity to ensure it can manage major internationally funded projects.



OBJECTIVES	ACHIEVEMENTS TO DATE	IMPACT TO DATE
To provide funding support for JCDT's conservation project implementation, particularly in the hiring of Accounting personnel and the provision of auditing services to ensure compliance with regulatory authorities for at least one year.	Accountant hired. The unaudited Financial Statements for 2022 has been submitted to the Department of Cooperatives and Friendly Societies for review.	
To provide support for JCDT's Business Development Officer for at least one year to help increase revenue through new markets and tools	Business Development Officer/Sales Representative hired. Business Plan updated to include more sales and marketing activities. Business Development Training sessions were conducted in the communities of Hayfield in St. Thomas; Scott's Hall in St. Mary; Windsor/Moore Town; Cornwall Barracks; Ginger House; Comfort Castle and Millbank in the Rio Grande Valley.	One hundred and fifty-nine (159) persons participated in the sessions on Environmental Management & Mitigation of Environmental Impacts; Business Development and Tourism Training.
To provide support for JCDT's Recreation and Tourism programme through the procurement of equipment, facilitating improvements to existing infrastructure and provision of marketing support toward its business development plan	The Recreation area was improved with the addition of a commercial washing machine and a refrigerator. Improvement works were carried out on the trail and picnic areas.	Overall visitors to Holywell include - 3,654 day visitors; 225 to Holywell cabins and 295 to Portland Gap cabins. These people will benefit from the improvements carried out.
To provide support for JCDT to purchase a 4WD pick up particularly for use in forest restoration and other work in the highest reaches of the mountains	Toyota Hilux 4WD acquired to improve the capacity of the team to do monitoring and enforcement activities.	Seven Thousand (7000) seedlings transported and planted - 2,896 West Indian Cedar; 401 Blue Mahoe; 100 Sweet wood; 1647 Milkwood; 1209 Spanish Elm; 747 Mountain Yacca

GRANTEE RESPONSIBLE: Cockpit Local Forest Management Committee

PROJECT TITLE: Facilitating mobility in Cockpit Country

Thematic Area: Institutional Strengthening/Capacity Building

Purpose of the project: The Northern Cockpit Country Local Forest Management Committee Benevolent Society sought to acquire a motor vehicle to transport materials such as seedlings, beekeeping equipment and materials for craft making, as well as committee/community members to meetings and events. These activities will ensure the vibrancy of the group and sustain its earning capacity. The vehicle will serve Southern Cockpit LFMC Troy, Flagstaff and surrounding communities in undertaking their activities.



The vehicle purchased under the project

GRANTEE RESPONSIBLE: Windsor Research Centre (WRC)

PROJECT TITLE: Windsor Research Centre: Institutional strengthening through continued learning of the ABC's (Air, Butterflies, Chiroptera) of Cockpit Country

Thematic Area: Institutional Strengthening/Capacity Building

Purpose of the project: The project's objective was to improve Windsor Research Centre's capacity to undertake the following activities:

1. Maintain WRC's ability to conduct goal-oriented research and community outreach & empowerment,
2. Conduct a pilot feasibility assessment, with a goal of establishing a Citizen Scientists community-based network for monitoring air quality (AQ), which can be replicated in other communities around Cockpit Country or in other areas where mining and quarrying occur,
3. Strengthen WRC's networking with research associates and professional colleagues
4. Upgrade WRC's "Green Credentials" by actively demonstrating "proof of concept" to other farm operators and visitors of the potential for renewable solar-powered machinery.



The vehicle above was purchased under the project to support the monitoring of the ecosystem



New batteries were purchased for the solar system which powers the operation. In addition to the vehicle and solar batteries, a computer was also purchased and outstanding audited financial statements were paid for from the grant award.

GRANTEE RESPONSIBLE: Negril Area Environmental Protection Trust (NEPT)

PROJECT TITLE: Improving Protected Area Management and livelihood protection in the Negril Environmental Protection area through capacity building of NEPT

Thematic Area: Institutional Strengthening/Capacity Building

Purpose of the project: NEPT required the use of a reliable motor vehicle to improve NEPT's capacity to undertake the following activities:

1. Establishment of a climate smart agriculture demonstration site in prospect Hanover where 100 farmers and community members are trained in Greenhouse and Hydroponics farming techniques.
2. Sustainable land management of over 2 hectares of land where farmers are trained to apply soil conservation techniques and agro-forestry.
3. Propagation and restoration of native plant species within the Negril Great Morass.
4. Distribution of hybrid seeds to over 100 vulnerable farmers so as to enable them to adapt to climate change impacts as well as apply mitigation strategies.



The vehicle that was purchased for NEPT



Seedlings being transported.

GRANTEE RESPONSIBLE: Sawyers Local Forest Management Committee Benevolent Society

PROJECT TITLE: Improving logistics in the Sawyers Community to Support Sustained Agricultural Adaptation Practices

Thematic Area: Institutional Strengthening/Capacity Building

Purpose of the project: The group sought to purchase a vehicle to help overcome the logistical problems of community outreach in the Cockpit Country community of Sawyers, deliver goods to customers and to transport supplies needed for the operation of greenhouses.



The vehicle purchased under the project

GRANTEE RESPONSIBLE: Southern Trelawny Environmental Agency

PROJECT TITLE: Building STEA's technical capacity

Thematic Area: Institutional Strengthening/Capacity Building

Purpose of the project: The project's objective was to enhance STEA's capacity through the purchase of a vehicle, computer equipment & software for gathering data.



Computers purchased for administrative and field work



The vehicle purchased to assist with monitoring and livelihood enhancement

FUNDING SOURCE: FORESTRY DEPARTMENT EUROPEAN UNION BUDGETARY SUPPORT PROGRAMME

The European Union (EU) and the Government of Jamaica (GOJ) agreed on a programme of action geared towards Improved Forest Management for Jamaica (IFMJ) which will see the EU assisting the GOJ/ Forestry Department (FD) by way of Budgetary Support in implementing the Forest Policy for Jamaica 2017 (and supporting the National Forest Management and Conservation Plan (NFMCP 2016-2026). The FD EU Budgetary Support Programme was designed to address the decreasing forest cover of Jamaica through the provision of gender sensitive alternative livelihoods for people in forest communities across Jamaica.

The EFJ was appointed Fund Administrator for a part of the monies disbursed pursuant to the IFMJ and a Fund Administrator Agreement (FAA) was signed on January 31, 2019. Three Calls for Proposals were conducted which resulted in 46 projects receiving grants totaling J\$240 million. During the 2020/2021 fiscal year, twenty-seven (27) projects were completed and closed in accordance with the originally agreed scope of work. For this fiscal year the remaining 19 projects were completed with a total of J\$27.44 million paid out in final disbursements. We highlight a few below:

GRANTEE RESPONSIBLE: Watermount Community Development Committee Benevolent Society

PROJECT TITLE: Watermount Primary School Rainwater Catchment

Thematic Area: Smart Agriculture - Water Catchment Areas

OBJECTIVES	EXTENT OF ACHIEVEMENT	IMPACT
Enhance water harvesting at the Watermount Primary School through the construction of a 20,000 gallon water storage tank and by installing gutters.	A 20,000 gallon concrete water storage tank was constructed and a 1,000 gallon plastic tank installed.	30 persons (21 males and 9 females) were employed during construction.
Install an irrigation system to assist in crop production	Crop production facilities have been installed at the school and the irrigation system also provides an additional teaching and learning opportunity for the school and extended community.	480 ft of drip irrigation were installed to irrigate a wide variety of fruit trees and vegetables.
Host field days to encourage smart environmentally friendly practices in farming and build the capacity of the local CDC.	One (1) online session was held and one (1) field day on environmental best practices in farming. The COVID-19 pandemic impacted both the format and the number of sessions.	42 persons (26 males and 16 females) trained.
Plant at least 50 fruit trees, 50 banana suckers along with other drought resistant crops to include pineapple on the farm at Watermount Primary School and at other locations in the community.	A wide array of fruit trees and vegetable crops were planted.	333 trees have been planted with approximately 20 species of trees and vegetable crops represented including 200 pineapple and 30 banana suckers.



GRANTEE RESPONSIBLE: Crofts Hill Farmers Group

PROJECT TITLE: Alternative Sustainable Investment for Crofts Hill Farmers Group

Thematic Area: Apiculture

This project facilitated training for a total of 132 persons (75 females and 57 males).

OBJECTIVES	EXTENT OF ACHIEVEMENT	IMPACT
Construct a 1,600 (20x80) sq. ft. plant nursery in Crofts Hill District to provide vegetable seedlings.	4,800 (60x80) sq. ft. nursery was constructed.	45 people were trained in nursery production.
Establish an apiary in the area to aid crop production and generate income from 20 colonies of bees.	25 colonies of bees were established and 10 farmers trained in apiculture.	The project engaged 10 community people (7 females and 3 males) in apiculture training enabling them to start more sustainable livelihoods.
Establish agroforestry plots in the community ranging in size from 0.1 to 0.4 hectares for 60 farmers.	Over 1,500 trees were planted.	77 farmers participated in the agroforestry programme. The environmental impact is significant as agroforestry is a more sustainable approach to agriculture due to the impact trees have on maintaining a healthy environment.



GRANTEE RESPONSIBLE: Crescent Women's Group

PROJECT TITLE: Crescent Women Group Straw and Bamboo Craft Project

Thematic Area: Craft Item Production

OBJECTIVES	EXTENT OF ACHIEVEMENT	IMPACT
To set up training / manufacturing space for participants	A 40ft shipping container was retrofitted for the training and manufacturing of bamboo and craft items.	55 males and 9 females were employed by the project
Sensitize and recruit at least 20 unskilled women in Crescent District for training	A total of 5 seminars/workshops were held and 70 different informational materials distributed and utilized to teach concepts in environmental preservation.	27 females were trained in craft and bamboo items production. As part of the environmental sensitization of the residents 13 seedlings (8 Honduras Mahogany and 5 Poui) were planted in the community



Bamboo and straw craft processing facility



Craft Items and Machines

GRANTEE RESPONSIBLE: Auchtembeddie Community Development Committee

PROJECT TITLE: Auchtembeddie Yam Agro-Forestry Project

Thematic Area: Yam Stick Production

Project Purpose: The main purpose of the project was to plant 20,000 damsel trees to support yam farming in the community. Additionally, the CDC will partner with the RADA office to organise workshops that promote climate smart and sustainable agriculture practices.

OBJECTIVES	EXTENT OF ACHIEVEMENT	IMPACT
Engage 30 farmers to plant 20,000 damsel trees and participate in climate smart agriculture workshops along with the procurement of farm tools to support damsel tree planting and yam production.	20,000 trees distributed with guidance from Forestry Department and RADA. An additional 1,000 damsel trees were distributed for planting by the CDC. Farm tools were purchased.	6 workshops and 4 community meetings held. 48 persons trained and utilizing training.
Establish a climate smart agriculture demonstration plot and establish a farm-tool rental venture to generate funds to support sustainability of project and enable farmers to expand their production.	Tools are readily available for rental through CDC's rental business.	
Conduct 3 climate smart agriculture workshops and establish a nursery to support the continuous planting of trees.	Shade house established to plant seedlings.	3 workshops were conducted on smart agro-forestry practices.



GRANTEE RESPONSIBLE: Dolphin Head Local Forest Management Cooperative Society

PROJECT TITLE: Dolphin Head Eco-Tourism Environmental Livelihood Initiative

Thematic Area: Eco-tourism

Purpose of the project: The purpose of this project is to complete the development of the Dolphin Head eco-tourism site and trails while providing training and employment opportunities for vulnerable youth and women in the surrounding communities. The infrastructure development including cottages, therapeutic center and trails will provide both short-term and long-term sustainable livelihood for the residents and stakeholders and benefit conservation.

OBJECTIVES	ACHIEVEMENTS TO DATE	IMPACT TO DATE
To complete eco-friendly cottages; therapeutic and meeting areas to complement recreation facilities for visitors and community members	Therapeutic area and meeting areas constructed to accommodate visitors and community members.	During the completion of the facility 45 persons were employed (27 males and 18 females).
To rehabilitate trails and establish 2-3.5km of new trails and establish Trail signs.	Existing trails have been refurbished and new ones established	Approximately 129m/0.129km of trail refurbished and 139m or 0.139km new trail established with the installation of three (3) trail signs
To establish a marketing programme for promotion of the facility	Persons were trained in the area of first aid and for Food Handler's permit.	Total persons trained 27 (14 Males and 13 female) while 160 (108 males; 52 females) were impacted. There were 142 persons attending meetings (83 males and 59 females).
Designing and printing of brochures for marketing of Therapeutic Centre	The design and printing of brochures was done	Three hundred and twenty (320) brochures were printed.



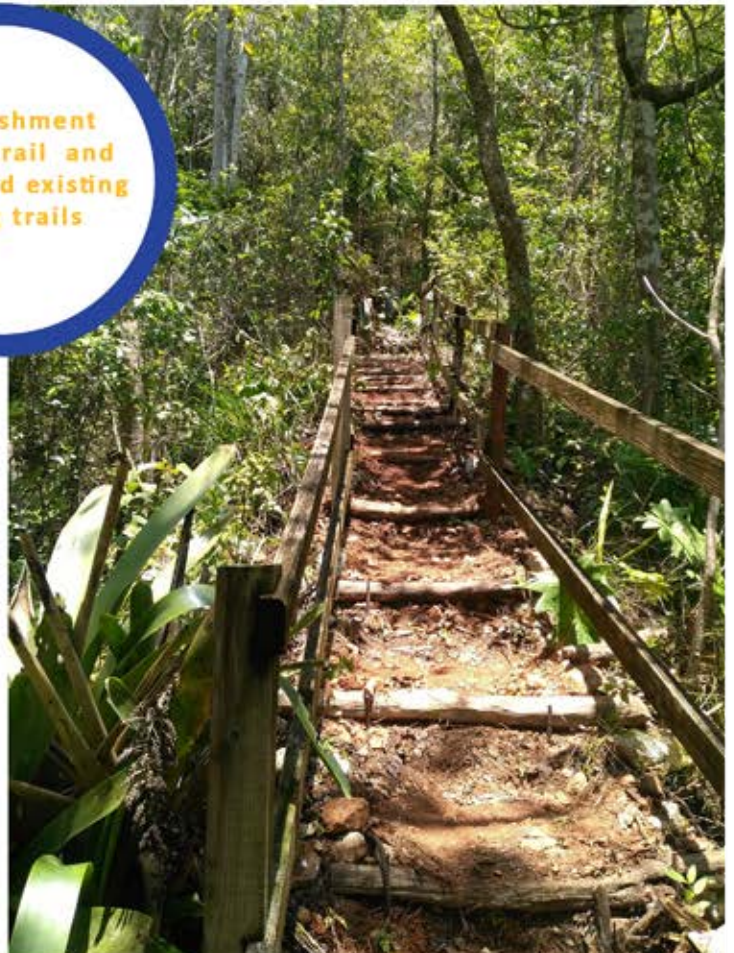
Therapeutic centre completed and facility ready for use.



Rest stop
established to
accommodate visitors
on the trails



Establishment
of new trail and
Renovated existing
hiking trails



FUNDING SOURCE: SPECIAL CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION FUND (SCCAF)

The EFJ was selected to be the Fund Administrator for the SCCAF and signed a Fund Administrator Agreement (FAA) on July 28, 2016. A SCCAF Phase 2 FAA was signed in 2019 for the construction of MICRO Check Dams in the Upper Rio Minho watershed area of Clarendon. From the cost savings on the implementation of the SCCAF the EFJ conducted another Call for Proposals.

SCCAF 2021 Call for Proposals

The 2021 SCCAF Call for Proposals main thematic areas were:

1. Climate Smart Agro-business;
2. Climate Resilient Cropping Systems; and
3. Water Management.

Five projects were awarded approximately J\$25 million after the due diligence procedures were concluded. Based on the nature of these projects none was completed during this financial year.

Next steps for the Grant Management Committee

The EFJ's Programme Department will undertake a series of activities for the upcoming financial year. Three broad areas will be focused on:

- A review of how projects are selected with a view to developing a metric to evaluate the likelihood of project sustainability.
- A review of the Fund Administration Agreements that have been completed to evaluate the successes, failures and to determine best practices going forward
- To focus on integrating GIS technology into the work of the EFJ by georeferencing all projects awarded since the inception of the EFJ and using the GIS applications to determine sector interventions going forward.



HUMAN RESOURCE AND COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Compliance

The EFJ prides itself on being compliant with all its organisational and statutory responsibilities and requirements. As it relates to statutory compliance, for 2021/2022 the EFJ fulfilled all of the following obligations:

- all statutory payments were made in full and on time.
- filings with the Companies Office of Jamaica are up to date,
- reporting to the Department of Cooperatives and Friendly Society are current and all filings were completed during the financial year.

Among some of the organisational requirements, we can report that:

- the Congressional Report to the US State Department was submitted prior to the deadline.
- procurement procedures were strictly followed, and
- Fund Administration Agreement periodic reports were submitted per individual agreements.

Staff

In keeping with the Strategic Plan and the objectives of creating greater job satisfaction and security, the Committee prepared new two year contracts for the staff. The staff expressed their appreciation to the Board and Management for this gesture. The Board also approved funding for staff to facilitate job related training programmes. Two staff members made use of this facility.

There were no changes to the staff complement and the total staff remains eight (8) people. The covid-19 virus impacted the internship programme with the students of the University of the West Indies, Mona in the prior year. We are happy to report that the programme was resumed during the financial year and two students were engaged.

EFJ'S ENDOWMENT TRUST REPORT

Background, Source of Funds and policies:

The EFJ Endowment Fund was established by way of a Trust Deed which was duly executed in September 23, 2004. A corpus of J\$85,000,000.00 was used to conduct the initial investments in the 2011/2012 financial year. The amounts were received as follows:

From PL480 funds	- J\$62,875,301.81
From AID DEBT Funds	- J\$22,124,698.19

Subsequently, a decision was taken during the 2012/2013 financial year that the Trust would offer financial support to the EFJ's day to day operations as inflows from the two original debt swaps had come to an end. The amount of J\$20,531,650.00 was given as a long term note receivable. As of July 31, 2022 this amount is still outstanding.

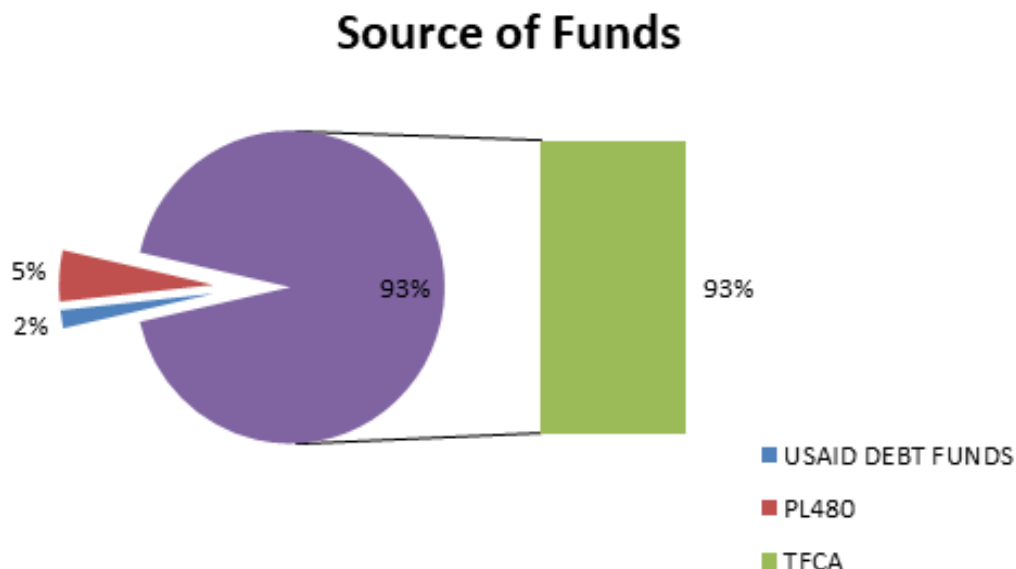
The EFJ consolidated its operations with those of Jamaica Protected Areas Trust (JPAT) in the 2015/2016 reporting year. During the fiscal year 2016/2017 the EFJ's Endowment Trust received the amounts set aside by JPAT for the FCF Endowment of US\$582,773.53 and J\$516.25 million. This was in keeping with the decision to merge the operations of JPAT/FCF and EFJ.

Based on the JPAT policy, 50% of all annual Government of Jamaica (GOJ) inflows are immediately placed on the Endowment Trust. The EFJ's Board also supported the JPAT policy and the EFJ Endowment Trust continues to receive 50% of TFCA GOJ inflows.

Table E1, below, details the receipt of funding over the years.

Year	Details	AID DEBT	PL480	TFCA
2011/2012		22,124,698.19	62,875,301.81	
2012/2013	Loan to EFJ	(5,338,229.00)	(15,193,421.00)	
2016/2017	Transfer from JPAT			516,250,054.82
2016/2017	US\$582,773.53 - transfer from JPAT			74,187,070.37
2016/2017	50% of TFCA Annual Receipts			24,904,284.35
2017/2018	50% of TFCA Annual Receipts			48,041,725.39
2018/2019	50% of TFCA Annual Receipts			48,677,233.05
2019/2020	50% of TFCA Annual Receipts			49,943,708.01
2020/2021	50% of TFCA Annual Receipts			38,988,702.71
2021/2022	50% of TFCA Annual Receipts			38,938,086.60
		16,786,469.19	47,681,880.81	839,930,865.30

Funds from the various sources should not be comingled and are accounted for separately. From the data in Table E1 we note that the majority of funds, 93%, is from the FCF.



Investments and investment returns

During the 2019/2020 financial year most financial institutions exited the repurchase agreement (repo) market. The EFJ Endowment Trust had most of its investments in repos. This, along with the need to have significant growth in the Endowment Fund, led the Board of Directors to make two strategic decisions on the way forward. The first was to widen the asset classes for which funds from the Endowment Fund could be invested and the second, to seek an Investment Manager for these funds. Sygnus Capital was selected during the current financial year to manage and advise the EFJ's Board on investing its portfolio of assets. Based on the advice given and the fact that global economies are now emerging from the effects of the pandemic the EFJ's Endowment Fund has gradually started to move its resources from cash and near cash investments into other asset classes. The asset classes and associated amounts are listed below in Table E2.

Table E2: EFJ Endowment Fund Asset Class

Asset Class	Amount Invested
Equities - Ja \$	343,309,000.00
Equities - USD	61,415,000.00
US \$ Repos	150,906,000.00
Mutual Funds	17,982,000.00
Other Assets	109,615,000.00
US\$ Cash	390,932,000.00
J\$ Cash	19,413,000.00
Note Receivable	20,531,650.00
Total	1,114,103,650.00

Investment returns on the Endowment Fund for the period reflected a loss of J\$35.16 million compared to a gain of approximately \$57.68 million in the prior year. Of the total return (loss of J\$35.16 million) J\$16.31 million were realised gains while there were J\$51.47 million in unrealised losses. Table E3 details the returns for the fiscal year.

Asset Class

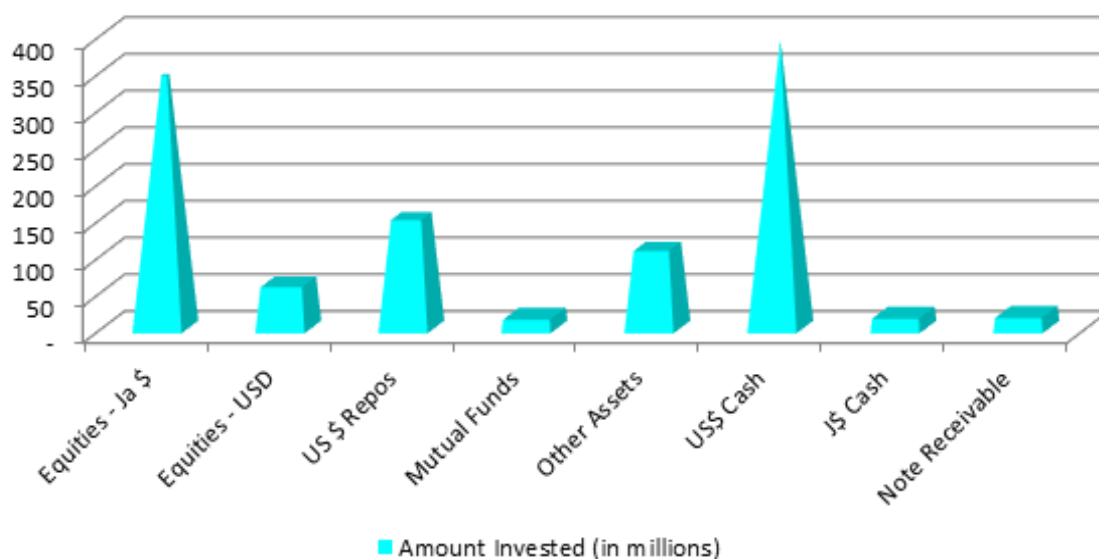


Table E3: EFJ Endowment Fund Investment Returns

Endowment Fund Investment Returns	
Realised Gains/(loss):	
Dividends - J\$	6,708,899.78
Dividends - US\$	7,254,693.31
Interest income - J\$ Repo	3,700,045.59
Interest income - US\$ Repo	6,721,803.73
Mutual Funds	202,539.74
Exchange gain / (loss) - Equities	3,509,322.57
Exchange gain / (loss) - Repos	(11,787,553.17)
Total Realised gains	16,309,751.55
Unrealised Gains / (Loss):	
Mutual Funds	(6,472,968.77)
Equities - J\$	(36,684,332.65)
Equities - US	(8,314,802.71)
Total Unrealised gains	(51,472,104.13)
Net Position	(35,162,352.58)

The total value of the Endowment at July 31, 2022 is J\$1.14 billion.

EXPENDITURES

Administrative Expenses

The Assignment, Assumption and Amendment Agreement (a part of the EFFJ's governing documents) signed on June 29, 2015 at Section 4.1(d) states that the total Administrative Expenses should not exceed US\$450,000.00 without the unanimous approval of the Permanent Directors. At the prevailing exchange rate Administrative Expenses would be capped at J\$68.65 million.

Actual Administrative Expenses totaled J\$56.22 million for the fiscal year, a J\$2.65 million increase over the prior year's actual expenditure and J\$12.43 million below the upper limit. At 69% of the overall expenditure, the line item "Staff costs" was the highest component of Administrative expenses.

Managed Fund Expenses

Direct expenses for Fund Administration totaled J\$1.57 million. Of this total \$0.76 million related to the SCCAF and \$0.81 million was for expenditure on the EU/Forestry Department Fund Administrator Agreement.

Grant Disbursements:

From the EFJ's five (5) funding sources grant disbursements took place under three of them.

Special Climate Change Adaptation Fund

Disbursements to Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the SCCAF grant disbursements were J\$25.73 million which now means that approximately J\$47.22 million is undisbursed.

European Union / Forest Department Fund Administration Agreement

Grant disbursements for the year were J\$27.44 million. Of the total grants awarded of J\$240 million the full amount has been paid out to the organisations at July 31, 2022.

TFCA Funds

Under the TFCA J\$54.67 million were disbursed during the fiscal year.

Aid Debt Funds

No grant disbursements were made during the year.

PL480 Funds

The EFJ made no grant disbursements during the year.

When viewed as a cumulative, total grant disbursements (inclusive of bank charges) made for the financial year were J\$107.84 million.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

The EFJ also undertook capital expenditures during the financial of J\$2.01 million. These amounts were spent on:

- Computers – J\$1.07 million
- Office Equipment – J\$0.94 million



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To the members of Environmental Foundation of Jamaica

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Our opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of Environmental Foundation of Jamaica (the Foundation) as at 31 July 2022, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and with the requirements of the Jamaican Companies Act.

What we have audited

The Foundation's financial statements comprise:

- the statement of financial position as at 31 July 2022;
- the statement of changes in the America's and TFCA's Fund;
- the administrative income and expenditure statement; the statement of cash flows for the year then ended; and
- the notes to the financial statements, which include significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independence

We are independent of the Foundation in accordance with the International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) issued by the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants (IESBA Code). We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IESBA Code.

Responsibilities of management for the financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and with the requirements of the Jamaican Companies Act, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Foundation or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Foundation's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Foundation to cease to continue as a going concern.



- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

As required by the Jamaican Companies Act, we have obtained all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, were necessary for the purposes of our audit.

In our opinion, proper accounting records have been kept, so far as appears from our examination of those records, and the accompanying financial statements are in agreement therewith and give the information required by the Jamaican Companies Act, in the manner so required.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "PricewaterhouseCoopers".

Chartered Accountants
Kingston, Jamaica
19 June 2023

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Statement of Changes in the Americas' and TFCA's Funds

Year ended 31 July 2022

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	Note	(Americas) Fund I \$'000	(Americas) Fund II \$'000	(TFCA) Fund III \$'000	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
Fund Receipts		1,001	-	38,938	39,939	38,989
Investment income earned		<u>1,470</u>	<u>842</u>	<u>3,315</u>	<u>5,627</u>	<u>5,483</u>
		2,471	842	42,253	45,566	44,472
Unrealised loss on FVPL investments	11	<u>(6,111)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(6,111)</u>	<u>7,444</u>
		<u>(3,640)</u>	<u>842</u>	<u>42,253</u>	<u>39,455</u>	<u>51,916</u>
Less:						
Project grants disbursed, net	5	-	-	(54,666)	(54,666)	(1,610)
Transfers to administration		-	-	(30,438)	(30,438)	(38,989)
Investment advisers' fees	9	<u>(630)</u>	<u>(138)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(768)</u>	<u>(754)</u>
		<u>(630)</u>	<u>(138)</u>	<u>(85,104)</u>	<u>(85,872)</u>	<u>(41,353)</u>
(Loss)/Surplus for year		(4,270)	704	(42,851)	(46,417)	10,563
Fund balance at beginning of year		<u>20,934</u>	<u>89,537</u>	<u>140,833</u>	<u>251,304</u>	<u>240,741</u>
Fund balance at end of year		<u><u>16,664</u></u>	<u><u>90,241</u></u>	<u><u>97,982</u></u>	<u><u>204,887</u></u>	<u><u>251,304</u></u>

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	Note	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
Non-Current Assets			
Property, plant and equipment	10	18,749	20,354
Beneficial interest in endowment fund	12	1,114,104	1,129,092
Investment securities	11	89,913	93,713
		<u>1,222,766</u>	<u>1,243,159</u>
Current Assets			
Other assets	13	2,079	840
Short term investment	11, 12	82,640	131,901
Cash and bank	14	84,934	123,346
		<u>169,653</u>	<u>256,087</u>
Current Liabilities			
Accounts payable and accrued charges	15	12,590	8,838
Due to endowment fund		20,532	20,532
Managed funds	16	47,386	101,551
		<u>80,508</u>	<u>130,921</u>
Net Current Asset		<u>89,145</u>	<u>125,166</u>
		<u>1,311,911</u>	<u>1,368,325</u>
Equity and Capital			
Administration fund-expenses recoverable	17	(35,945)	(21,676)
Capital reserves	18	9,234	9,684
Funds in Trust - Endowment Fund		1,133,735	1,129,013
TFCA funds		97,982	140,833
Americas' funds		106,905	110,471
Total Equity and Capital		<u>1,311,911</u>	<u>1,368,325</u>

Approved on behalf of the Board of Directors on June 19, 2023 and signed on its behalf by:



Dale Webber,

Chairman



Ian Watson

Treasurer

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Administrative Income & Expenditure Statement

Year ended 31 July 2022

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	Note	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
Income			
Transfers from TFCA		30,438	38,989
Transfers from Capital Reserves		450	450
Administration Fees	16(b)	10,800	10,800
Other Income		<u>1,829</u>	<u>2,541</u>
		<u>43,517</u>	<u>52,780</u>
Expenditure			
Administrative Expenses	7	(56,215)	(53,569)
Other Expenses – Managed Funds		<u>(1,571)</u>	<u>(843)</u>
Total Expenditure		<u>(57,786)</u>	<u>(54,412)</u>
Deficit Income over Expenditure		<u><u>(14,269)</u></u>	<u><u>(1,632)</u></u>

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Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended 31 July 2022

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	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
(Deficit)/Surplus for year	(46,417)	10,563
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation	3,616	4,210
Decrease in amount due to Administration Fund	(14,269)	(1,632)
Investment income	<u>(484)</u>	<u>12,927</u>
	(57,554)	26,068
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Other assets	(1,239)	11,695
Accounts payable and accrued charges	3,752	(532)
Managed funds	<u>(54,165)</u>	<u>(8,717)</u>
Cash (used in)/provided by operating activities	<u>(109,206)</u>	<u>28,514</u>
Cash Flow from Investing Activities		
Investments	3,800	(9,444)
Endowment Fund	14,988	(96,886)
Investment in property, plant and equipment	(2,011)	(7,196)
Interest received	<u>484</u>	<u>(12,927)</u>
Cash provided by/(used in) investing activities	<u>17,261</u>	<u>(126,453)</u>
Cash Flow from Financing Activities		
Increase in Funds in Trust	4,722	96,886
Capital Reserves	<u>(450)</u>	<u>(450)</u>
Cash Flow from financing activities	<u>4,272</u>	<u>96,436</u>
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(87,673)	(1,503)
Cash and cash equivalent at beginning of year	<u>255,247</u>	<u>256,750</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR	<u>167,574</u>	<u>255,247</u>
Represented by:		
Cash and bank	84,934	123,346
Short term investments	<u>82,640</u>	<u>131,901</u>
	<u>167,574</u>	<u>255,247</u>

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1. Identification and Activities

Environmental Foundation of Jamaica (the Foundation) is limited by guarantee and was incorporated in Jamaica on 18 November 1992. The Foundation was established pursuant to an agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Jamaica concerning the establishment of an Enterprise for the Americas Initiative. This agreement referred to as “The Enterprise for the Americas Initiative Framework Agreement” (EAI Agreement) was signed on 26 November 1991 and amended effective 27 August 1993. The agreement provides for the creation of a special Americas Fund to be administered by the Foundation in accordance with agreement terms and the Foundation’s Memorandum and Articles of Association.

The main objectives of the Foundation which are in conjunction with the EAI Agreement are as follows:

- (i) to promote and implement activities designed to conserve and manage the natural resources and environment of Jamaica in the interest of sustainable development and;
- (ii) to encourage the improvement of child survival and child development in Jamaica.

The Foundation pursues its objectives mainly through the granting of funds to organisations, for qualified projects based on established criteria, by carrying out specific educational activities and rendering technical assistance towards its objectives. Operations commenced in August 1993.

On 30 September 2012, the final disbursement from the Government of Jamaica under the EAI Agreement was received. The Board of Directors approved the finalisation of a proposal to merge with Forest Conservation Fund, to raise additional funds and continue the operations of the Foundation.

The Forest Conservation Fund (FCF) was established pursuant to the Tropical Forest Conservation Act (TFCA) of 1998. The TFCA was enacted to offer eligible developing countries relief from identified official debt owed to the United States of America while at the same time generating funds to support local tropical forest conservation activities. The FCF promotes conservation, sustainable management and use of natural resources, including forests, for the benefit of local communities. The Forest Conservation, Debt Swap and Swap Fee Contractual Agreements were signed on September 21, 2004 by the Governments of Jamaica and the United States of America, The Nature Conservancy and the Jamaica Protected Areas Trust (JPAT). This paved the way for the creation of the FCF. The GOJ will deposit a total of US\$16 million into the FCF over a period of nineteen years (2005-2024).

On 29 June 2015, an Assignment, Assumption and Amendment Agreement referred to as the “Assignment Agreement” was entered into by The Government of Jamaica (GOJ), The Nature Conservancy (TNC), The Jamaica Protected Area Trust Limited (JPAT) and the Environmental Foundation of Jamaica (EFJ). The agreement resulted in the transfer of the rights and obligations of JPAT under the “Forest Conservation Agreement” dated 21 September 2004 to EFJ and the agreement of this transfer of rights and obligations by GOJ and TNC.

On 26 October 2016, the terms under the Assignment, Assumption and Amendment agreement were executed resulting in the assets and liabilities of JPAT being transferred to EFJ.

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2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and interpretations issued by the IFRS Interpretations Committee (IFRS IC) applicable to companies reporting under IFRS. The financial statements comply with IFRS as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB). These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with International Financial Reporting Standards requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Although these estimates are based on management's best knowledge of current events and actions, actual results could differ from these estimates. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant for the financial statements are disclosed in Note 4.

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, which contemplates the realisation of assets and settlement of liabilities in the normal course of business.

Standards, interpretations and amendments to published standards effective in current year

Certain interpretations and amendments to existing standards have been published that became effective during the current financial year. The Foundation has assessed the relevance of all such new standards, interpretations and amendments, and has adopted the following, which are immediately relevant to its operations.

- **Amendments to IAS 16, 'Property, Plant and Equipment: Proceeds before intended use'**, (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022). The amendment to IAS 16 Property, Plant and Equipment (PP&E) prohibits an entity from deducting from the cost of an item of PP&E any proceeds received from selling items produced while the entity is preparing the asset for its intended use. It also clarifies that an entity is 'testing whether the asset is functioning properly' when it assesses the technical and physical performance of the asset. The financial performance of the asset is not relevant to this assessment. Entities must disclose separately the amounts of proceeds and costs relating to items produced that are not an output of the entity's ordinary activities. The amendment did not have a significant impact on the Foundation's financial statements.
- **Amendments to IAS 37, 'Onerous Contracts – Cost of Fulfilling a Contract'**, (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022). The amendment to IAS 37 clarifies that the direct costs of fulfilling a contract include both the incremental costs of fulfilling the contract and an allocation of other costs directly related to fulfilling contracts. Before recognising a separate provision for an onerous contract, the entity recognises any impairment loss that has occurred on assets used in fulfilling the contract. The amendment did not have a significant impact on the Foundation's financial statements.



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2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

(a) Basis of preparation (continued)

Standards, interpretations and amendments to published standards that are not yet effective and have not been early adopted by the Foundation

The Foundation has concluded that the following standards which are published but not yet effective are relevant to its operations and will impact its accounting policies and financial disclosures as discussed below. These standards and amendments to existing standards are mandatory for the Foundation's accounting periods beginning on or after 1 August 2022, but the Foundation has not early adopted:

- **Amendments to IAS 1, 'Presentation of Financial Statements' - Classification of Liabilities as Current or Noncurrent**, (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023). The narrow-scope amendments to IAS 1, clarify that liabilities are classified as either current or non-current, depending on the rights that exist at the end of the reporting period. Classification is unaffected by the entity's expectations or events after the reporting date (e.g. the receipt of a waiver or a breach of covenant). The amendments also clarify what IAS 1 means when it refers to the 'settlement' of a liability. The amendments could affect the classification of liabilities, particularly for entities that previously considered management's intentions to determine classification and for some liabilities that can be converted into equity. They must be applied retrospectively in accordance with the normal requirements in IAS 8 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors. Since approving these amendments, the IASB has issued an exposure draft proposing further changes and the deferral of the amendments until at least 1 January 2024. It is not anticipated that the amendment will have a significant impact on the Foundation's financial statements.
- **Amendments to IAS 1 and IFRS Practice Statement 2, 'Disclosure of Accounting Policies'**, (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023). The IASB amended IAS 1 to require entities to disclose their material rather than their significant accounting policies. The amendments define what is 'material accounting policy information' and explain how to identify when accounting policy information is material. They further clarify that immaterial accounting policy information does not need to be disclosed. If it is disclosed, it should not obscure material accounting information. To support this amendment, the IASB also amended IFRS Practice Statement 2 Making Materiality Judgements to provide guidance on how to apply the concept of materiality to accounting policy disclosures. Management is in the process of assessing if the amendment will have a significant impact on the Foundation's financial statements.
- **Amendments to IAS 8, 'Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors' - Definition of Accounting Estimates**, (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023). The amendment to IAS 8 clarifies how companies should distinguish changes in accounting policies from changes in accounting estimates. The distinction is important, because changes in accounting estimates are applied prospectively to future transactions and other future events, whereas changes in accounting policies are generally applied retrospectively to past transactions and other past events as well as the current period. It is not anticipated that the amendment will have a significant impact on the Foundation's financial statements.

There are no other new or amended standards and interpretations that are published but not yet effective that are expected to have an impact on the accounting policies or financial disclosures of the Foundation.

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2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

(b) Government of Jamaica Receipts

Government of Jamaica payments received by the Foundation under the Enterprise of the Americas Initiative Framework Agreement are recorded when received and credited directly to the Americas' Funds Account until disbursed.

Payments from the Government of Jamaica under the Forest Conservation Agreement received through JPAT are equally divided between the EFJ Endowment Fund and the Forestry Conservation Fund (FCF) operational accounts.

(c) Income recognition

Interest income is recognised in the Americas' Funds for all interest-bearing instruments which is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount of a financial asset except for financial assets that subsequently become credit impaired. For credit impaired financial assets, the effective interest rate is applied to the net carrying amount of the financial asset (after deduction of the loss allowance). Interest income is recognised where it is earned from financial assets that are held for cash management purposes. Interest income includes income earned on cash and cash equivalent accounts held.

Dividends are recognized when the Foundation's right to receive payment is established, it is probable the economic benefits will flow to the Foundation and the amount can be measured reliably. The Foundation recognizes dividends in Statement of Changes in the Americas' and TFCA's Funds (profit and loss account).

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2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

(d) Foreign currency translations

Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the financial statements of the Foundation are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Foundation operates. The financial statements are presented in Jamaican dollars, which is the Foundation's functional and presentation currency.

Translation and balances

Foreign currency transactions are accounted for at the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. At the year end date monetary assets denominated in foreign currency are translated using the closing exchange rate. Exchange differences arising from the settlement of transactions at rates different from those at the dates of the transactions and unrealised foreign exchange difference on unsettled foreign currency monetary assets are recognised in the Americas' Funds.

(e) Employee benefits

Employees' entitlements to annual leave are recognised when they accrue to employees. A provision is made for the estimated liability for annual leave as a result of services rendered by employees up to the year-end date.

(f) Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items.

Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line basis at annual rates that will write off the carrying value of each asset over the period of its remaining useful life. Annual depreciation rates are as follows:

Building	2.5% - 12.5%
Motor vehicles	20%
Computers	25%
Furniture and fixtures	10%

Freehold land is not depreciated.

Where the carrying amount of an asset is greater than its estimated recoverable amount, it is written down immediately to its recoverable amount.

Repairs and maintenance are charged as administrative expenses during the financial period in which they are incurred. Gains and losses on disposal of property, plant and equipment are determined by reference to their carrying amount and are taken into account in determining administrative fund balance.

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2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

(g) Financial instruments

A financial instrument is any contract that gives rise to both a financial asset in one entity and a financial liability or equity of another entity.

The Foundation classifies its financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- those to be measured subsequently at fair value through profit or loss (FVPL), and
- those to be measured at amortised cost.

The classification depends on the Foundation's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual terms of the cash flows.

For assets measured at fair value, gains and losses will be recorded in profit or loss (statement of changes in Americas' and TFCA's Funds). For investments in equity instruments that are held for trading, Management has accounted for the equity investment at fair value through profit and loss (FVPL).

(ii) *Recognition and derecognition*

Regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on settlement date. Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or have been transferred and the Foundation has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership.

(iii) *Measurement*

Debt Instruments

Measurement of debt instruments depends on the Foundation's business model for managing the asset and the cash flow characteristics of the asset. The Foundation classifies its debt instruments into two measurement categories:

- Amortised cost: Assets that are held for collection of contractual cash flows, where those cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest, are measured at amortised cost. Interest income from these financial assets is included in the income statement using the effective interest rate method. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition is recognised directly in profit or loss. Impairment losses are presented as a separate line item in the income statement.
- FVPL: Assets that do not meet the criteria for amortised cost or FVOCI are measured at FVPL. A gain or loss on a debt investment that is measured at FVPL is recognised in profit or loss in the period in which it arises.

The Foundation subsequently measures all equity investments at fair value. Changes in the fair value of financial assets at FVPL are recognised in the income statement.



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2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

(g) Financial Instruments (continued)

(iv) Impairment

The Foundation assesses its financial assets at amortised costs on a forward-looking basis the expected credit losses (ECL) associated with its financial assets classified at amortised cost and debt instruments measured at FVPL.

Application of the General Model

The Foundation applied the 'general model' as required by IFRS 9 for debt instrument other than trade receivables. Under this model, the Foundation is required to assess on a forward-looking basis the ECL associated with its debt instrument assets carried at amortised cost and FVPL. The ECL will be recognised in the profit or loss before a loss event has occurred. The measurement of ECL reflects an unbiased and probability-weighted amount that is determined by evaluating a range of possible outcomes.

The probability-weighted outcome considers multiple scenarios based on reasonable and supportable forecasts. Under current guidance, impairment amount represents the single best outcome; the time values of money and reasonable and supportable information that is available without undue cost or effort at the reporting date about past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions.

ECL is calculated by multiplying the Probability of default (PD), Loss Given Default (LGD) and Exposure at Default (EAD). The impairment model uses a three-stage approach based on the extent of credit deterioration since origination:

Stage 1 – 12-month ECL applies to all financial assets that have not experienced a significant increase in credit risk since origination and are not credit impaired. The ECL will be computed using a 12-month PD that represents the probability of default occurring over the next 12 months.

Stage 2 – When a financial asset experiences a significant increase in credit risk subsequent to origination but is not credit impaired, it is considered to be in Stage 2. This requires the computation of ECL based on lifetime PD that represents the probability of default occurring over the remaining estimated life of the financial asset. Provisions are higher in this stage because of an increase in risk and the impact of a longer time horizon being considered compared to 12 months in Stage 1.

Stage 3 – Financial assets that have an objective evidence of impairment will be included in this stage. Similar to Stage 2, the allowance for credit losses will continue to capture the lifetime ECL.

The Foundation uses judgement when considering the following factors that affect the determination of impairment:

- Assessment of credit risk; this is done on a relative basis. To assess whether the credit risk on a financial asset has increased significantly since origination, the Foundation compares the risk of default occurring over the expected life of the financial asset at the reporting date to the corresponding risk of default at origination, using key risk indicators that are used in the Foundation's existing risk management processes. At each reporting date, the assessment of a change in credit risk will be individually assessed for those considered individually significant and at the segment level for retail exposures. This assessment is symmetrical in nature, allowing credit risk of financial assets to move back to Stage 1 if the increase in credit risk since origination has reduced and is no longer deemed to be significant.

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2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

(g) Financial Instruments (continued)

- **Macroeconomic Factors and Forward-Looking Information**
The Foundation applies an unbiased and probability weighted estimate of credit losses by evaluating a range of possible outcomes that incorporates forecasts of future economic conditions.

Macroeconomic factors and forward-looking information are incorporated into the measurement of ECL as well as the determination of whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk since origination.

Measurement of ECLs at each reporting period reflect reasonable and supportable information at the reporting date about past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions. The Foundation uses three scenarios that are probability weighted to determine ECL.

Expected Life when measuring ECL, the Foundation considers the maximum contractual period over which the Foundation is exposed to credit risk. All contractual terms are considered when determining the expected life, including prepayment options and extension and rollover options. For certain revolving credit facilities that do not have a fixed maturity, the expected life is estimated based on the period over which the Foundation is exposed to credit risk and where the credit losses would not be mitigated by management actions.

The Foundation classifies its investments as fair value through profit and loss (FVPL) and amortized cost investments. Management determines the classification of its investments at initial recognition and re-evaluates this designation at every reporting date.

(h) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are carried at the year end at cost. For the purposes of the cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash and bank balances, deposits held on call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with maturity dates of less than 90 days.

(i) Accounts payable

Accounts payable are stated at historical cost.

(j) Administration fund/deferred income

Where funds received for administration expenses are insufficient to cover these expenses, the over expended balance, referred to as Administration Fund - expenses recoverable, is recoverable from the Americas' Funds. While funds received for administration expenses, which are unexpended, are referred to as Administration Fund - deferred income. Refer to note 17 for details.



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2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

(k) Capital reserves

The cost of property, plant and equipment acquired from Government of Jamaica EAI receipts, for administrative purposes, is credited directly to capital reserves and is written off to the administration fund account over the useful lives of the relevant assets.

(l) Americas' funds

As outlined in Note 1, the EAI Agreement provides for the establishment of a special Americas' Fund to be administered by the Foundation in pursuit of its objectives. Under this arrangement, specific amounts due by the Government of Jamaica to the Government of the United States of America are paid into the fund in accordance with provisions of two debt reduction agreements (Agreement I and Agreement II). Agreement I relate to funds owed under the U.S. PL480 programme and Agreement II relates to funds owed under a specific USAID debt Agreement.

In accordance with the EAI Agreement, all funds deposited into the Fund, including investment income earned belongs to the Government of Jamaica until disbursed in accordance with stipulated guidelines.

The two funds should not be co-mingled.

(m) Impairment of non-current assets

Property, plant and equipment and other non-current assets are reviewed for impairment losses whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the carrying amount of the asset exceeds its recoverable amount, which is the higher of an asset's net selling price and value in use. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows.

(n) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Foundation has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate of the amount can be made.

3. Financial Risk Management

The Foundation's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including currency risk, fair value interest rate risk, cash flow interest rate risk and price risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The Foundation's overall risk management programme focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the Foundation's financial performance.

The Foundation's risk management policies are designed to identify and analyse these risks, to set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor the risks and adherence to limits by means of reliable and up-to-date information systems. The Foundation regularly reviews its risk management policies and systems to reflect changes in markets, products and emerging best practice.

The Board of Directors is ultimately responsible for the establishment and oversight of the Foundation's risk management framework. The Board provides principles for overall risk management, as well as policies covering specific areas, such as foreign exchange risk, interest rate risk, credit risk, and investment of excess liquidity.

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3. Financial Risk Management (Continued)

(a) Credit risk

The Foundation takes on exposure to credit risk, which is the risk that a party will cause a financial loss for the Foundation by failing to discharge its contractual obligations. Credit risk is a very important risk for the Foundation's business; management therefore carefully manages its exposure to credit risk. Credit exposures arise principally from the Foundation's cash and investment activities. The Foundation structures the levels of credit risk it undertakes by placing limits on the amount of risk accepted in relation to a single counterparty or groups of related counterparties.

Credit review process

Management performs ongoing analyses of the ability of borrowers and other counterparties to meet repayment obligations.

(i) Investments

The Foundation limits its exposure to credit risk by investing mainly in liquid securities, with counterparties that have high credit quality and Government of Jamaica securities. Accordingly, management does not expect any counterparty to fail to meet its obligations.

(ii) Cash

Cash transactions are limited to high credit quality financial institutions. The Foundation has policies that limit the amount of credit exposure to any financial institution.

Maximum exposure to credit risk

The Foundation's maximum exposure to credit risk at year end was as follows:

	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
Investment securities	1,212,593	1,276,839
Cash and bank	84,934	123,346
Other assets	2,079	840
	<u>1,299,606</u>	<u>1,401,025</u>

Exposure to credit risk for investment securities

The following table summarises the Foundation's credit exposure for investment securities at their carrying amounts, as categorised by issuer:

	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
Endowment Fund	1,114,104	1,129,092
Government of Jamaica Securities	15,849	15,846
Corporate	82,640	131,901
	<u>1,212,593</u>	<u>1,276,839</u>

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3. Financial Risk Management (Continued)

(b) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Foundation maybe unable to meet its payment obligations associated with its financial liabilities when they fall due. Prudent liquidity risk management implies maintaining sufficient cash and marketable securities, and the ability to close out market positions.

Liquidity risk management process

The Foundation's liquidity management process includes:

- (i) Maintaining a portfolio of highly marketable and diverse assets that can easily be liquidated as protection against any unforeseen interruption to cash flow;
- (ii) Optimising cash returns on investment; and

The maturities of assets and liabilities are important factors in assessing the liquidity of the Foundation and its exposure to changes in interest rates and exchange rates.

Undiscounted cash flows of financial liabilities

The maturity profile of the Foundation's financial liabilities at year end based on contractual undiscounted payments was as follows:

	Within 1 Month	1 to 3 Months	3 to 12 Months	Over 12 months	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000		\$'000
2022					
Accounts payable and accrued charges	975	73	11,542	-	12,590
Due to Endowment Fund	-	-	-	20,532	20,532
Managed funds	-	47,386	-	-	47,386
	975	47,459	11,542	20,532	80,508
2021					
Accounts payable and accrued charges	781	43	8,014	-	8,838
Due to Endowment Fund	-	-	-	20,532	20,532
Managed funds	-	100,550	-	1,001	101,551
	781	100,593	8,014	21,533	130,921

Assets available to meet all of the liabilities and to cover financial liabilities include cash and short-term investments.

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3. Financial Risk Management (Continued)

(c) Market risk

The Foundation takes on exposure to market risks, which is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risks mainly arise from changes in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates. Market risk exposures are measured using sensitivity analysis. There has been no change to the Foundation's exposure to market risks or the manner in which it manages and measures the risk.

Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. The Foundation is exposed to foreign exchange risk arising from currency exposures, primarily with respect to the US dollar. Foreign exchange risk arises from future commercial transactions and recognised assets and liabilities.

The Foundation manages its foreign exchange risk by ensuring that the net exposure in foreign assets and liabilities is kept to an acceptable level by monitoring currency positions. The Foundation further manages this risk by discussing with Fund Managers the projected exchange rates and divert into Jamaican dollar investments where adverse exchange rate movements are expected.

Concentrations of currency risk:

The table below summarises the Foundation's exposure to foreign currency exchange rate risk at 31 July.

	2022		
	Jamaican \$ J\$'000	United States \$ J\$'000	Total J\$'000
Financial Assets			
Investments	89,913	-	89,913
Short term investments	82,640	-	82,640
Beneficial interest in endowment fund	300,317	813,787	1,114,104
Cash and bank	84,450	484	84,934
Other assets	1,003	1,076	2,079
Total financial assets	558,323	815,347	1,373,670
Financial Liabilities			
Accounts payable and accrued charges	12,444	146	12,590
Due to Endowment fund	20,532	-	20,532
Managed funds	47,386	-	47,386
Total financial liabilities	80,362	146	80,508
Net financial position	477,961	815,201	1,293,162

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3. Financial Risk Management (Continued)

(c) Market risk (continued)

Currency risk (continued)

	2021		
	Jamaican \$ J\$'000	United States \$ J\$'000	Total J\$'000
Financial Assets			
Investments	93,713	-	93,713
Short term investments	131,901	-	131,901
Beneficial interest in endowment fund	719,813	409,279	1,129,092
Cash and bank	121,973	1,373	123,346
Other assets	840	-	840
Total financial assets	1,068,240	410,652	1,478,892
Financial Liabilities			
Accounts payable and accrued charges	8,692	146	8,838
Due to Endowment fund	20,532	-	20,532
Managed funds	101,551	-	101,551
Total financial liabilities	130,775	146	130,921
Net financial position	937,465	410,506	1,347,971

Foreign currency sensitivity

The following tables indicate the currencies to which the Foundation had significant exposure on its monetary assets and liabilities and its forecast cash flows. The change in currency rates below represents management's assessment of the possible change in foreign exchange rates. The sensitivity analysis shows the impact of translating outstanding foreign currency denominated monetary items, assuming changes in currency rates shown in the table below. The sensitivity was primarily as a result of foreign exchange gains and losses on translation of US dollar-denominated investments. The correlation of variables will have a significant effect in determining the ultimate impact on market risk, but to demonstrate the impact due to changes in variable, variables had to be on an individual basis. It should be noted that movements in these variables are non-linear.

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3. Financial Risk Management (Continued)

(c) Market risk (continued)

Currency risk (continued)

	% Change in Currency Rate 2022	Effect on Equity and Capital 2022 \$'000	% Change in Currency Rate 2021	Effect on Equity and Capital 2021 \$'000
Currency:				
USD	+1	(8,136)	+2	(8,201)
USD	-4	32,546	-6	24,630

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value or future cash flows of financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. Floating rate instruments expose the Foundation to cash flow interest risk, whereas fixed interest rate instruments expose the Foundation to fair value interest risk.

The following table summarises the Foundation's exposure to interest rate risk. It includes the Foundation's financial instruments at carrying amounts, categorised by the earlier of contractual repricing or maturity dates.

	Within 1 Month	1 to 3 Months	Non-Interest Bearing	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
	2022			
Assets				
Investments	3,022	14,295	72,596	89,913
Beneficial interest in endowment fund	19,413	299,035	795,656	1,114,104
Short term investments	-	82,640	-	82,640
Cash and bank	84,934	-	-	84,934
Other assets	-	-	2,079	2,079
Total financial assets	107,369	395,970	870,331	1,373,670
Liabilities				
Managed funds being total financial liabilities	(975)	(47,459)	(32,074)	(80,508)
Total interest repricing gap	106,394	348,511	838,257	1,293,162

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3. Financial Risk Management (Continued)

(c) Market risk (continued)

Interest rate risk (continued)

	Within 1 Month \$'000	1 to 3 Months \$'000	Non-Interest Bearing \$'000	Total \$'000
	2021			
Assets				
Investments	4	15,846	77,863	93,713
Beneficial interest in endowment fund	38,989	680,824	409,279	1,129,092
Short term investments	-	131,901	-	131,901
Cash and bank	123,346	-	-	123,346
Other assets	-	-	840	840
Total financial assets	162,339	828,571	487,982	1,478,892
Liabilities				
Managed funds being total financial liabilities	-	-	(130,921)	(130,921)
Total interest repricing gap	162,339	828,571	357,061	1,347,971

Interest rate sensitivity

The following table indicates the sensitivity to a reasonable possible change in interest rates, with all other variables held constant, on the Foundation's statement of changes in the Americas' Funds.

The sensitivity of the statement of changes in the Americas' Funds is the effect of the assumed changes in interest rates on net deficit based on non-trading financial assets. The sensitivity of changes in the Americas' Funds is calculated by revaluing fixed rate FVPL financial assets for the effects of the assumed changes in interest rates. The correlation of variables will have a significant effect in determining the ultimate impact on market risk, but to demonstrate the impact due to changes in variable, variables had to be on an individual basis. It should be noted that movements in these variables are non-linear.

	Effect on Equity and Capital 2022 \$'000	Effect on Equity and Capital 2021 \$'000
Change in basis points:		
-0.5% (2021: -1%)	(450)	(160)
1% (2021: +1%)	899	160

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3. Financial Risk Management (Continued)

(d) Capital management

The Foundation's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard its ability to continue as a going concern in order to provide benefits for stakeholders. There were no changes to the Foundation's approach to capital management during the year.

In Accordance with the Assignment, Assumption & Amendment Agreement dated June 29, 2017, Section 4.1(d), the total administrative expenses should not exceed a maximum combined amount of US\$450,000 without the unanimous approval of the permanent Directors.

(e) Fair values of financial instruments

Fair value is the amount for which an asset could be exchanged, or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties in an arm's length transaction.

The following table provides an analysis of financial instruments held as at the date of the statement of financial position that, subsequent to initial recognition, are measured at fair value. The financial instruments are grouped into levels 1 to 3 based on the degree to which the fair value is observable, as follows:

- Level 1 fair value measurements are those derived from quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical instruments;
- Level 2 fair value measurements are those derived from inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the instrument, either directly (i.e., as prices) or indirectly (i.e., derived from prices); and
- Level 3 fair value measurements are those derived from valuation techniques that include inputs for the instrument that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000
2022				
Investments				
Quoted equities	72,596	-	-	72,596
Government of Jamaica bonds	-	17,317	-	17,317
	72,596	17,317	-	89,913
2021				
Investments				
Quoted equities	77,867	-	-	77,867
Government of Jamaica bonds	-	15,846	-	15,846
	77,867	15,846	-	93,713

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3. Financial Risk Management (Continued)

(e) Fair values of financial instruments (continued)

The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets is based on quoted market prices at the date of the statement of financial position. A market is regarded as active if quoted prices are readily and regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arm's length basis. The quoted market price used for financial assets is the current bid price. These instruments are grouped in Level 1.

The fair value of financial instruments not traded in an active market is determined by using valuation techniques. These valuation techniques maximise the use of observable market data where it is available and rely as little as possible on entity specific estimates. If all significant inputs required to fair value an instrument are observable, the instrument is included in Level 2.

If one or more of the significant inputs is not based on observable market data, the instrument is included in Level 3.

4. Critical Accounting Judgement and Key Source of Uncertainty

The management of the Foundation makes estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year. Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

(a) Critical judgements in applying the Foundation's accounting policies

In the process of applying the Foundation's accounting policies, the management has not made any significant judgements that would cause a significant impact on the amounts recognised in the financial statements.

(b) Key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the process of applying the Foundation's accounting policies, the management has not made any significant estimate that would cause a significant impact on the amounts recognised in the financial statements.

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5. Project Grants Disbursed

	Fund III \$'000
Projects' disbursement, net	54,666
Disbursements allocated as follows:	
Caribbean Coastal Area Management Foundation	2,520
Clarendon Parish Development Committee Benevolent Society	500
Jamaica Conservation and Development Trust	9,983
Negril area Environmental Protection Trust	7,906
Northern Cockpit Country Local Forest Management Committee Benevolent Society	11,085
Sawyers Local Forest Management Committee Benevolent Society	7,600
Southern Trelawny Environmental Agency	7,072
Windsor Research Centre	8,000
Net Disbursements	54,666

6. Administration Fund

In accordance with the Assignment, Assumption & Amendment Agreement dated June 29, 2015 Section 4.1(d), the total administrative expenses should not exceed a maximum combined amount of US\$450,000 without the unanimous approval of the permanent Directors. Permanent Directors comprise one Director appointed by the Government of Jamaica, one Director appointed by the United States Government and one Director appointed by The Nature Conservancy.

Total administrative expenses during the year was below the threshold permitted and indicated below:

	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
Jamaican Dollar equivalent of US\$450,000	68,648	69,419
Less: Administrative expenses for the year (note 7)	(56,215)	(53,569)
Excess	12,433	15,850



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7. Expenses by Nature

	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
Advertising and public relations	304	494
Auditors' remuneration	1,250	1,155
Depreciation (Note 10)	3,616	4,210
Legal and professional fees	120	1,950
Motor vehicle expenses	1,416	1,121
Office and general expenses	1,737	2,074
Printing and stationery	84	345
Repairs and maintenance	2,220	2,091
Staff costs (Note 8)	38,547	33,189
Security	2,719	2,690
Utilities	2,745	2,637
Other expenses	1,457	1,613
	<u>56,215</u>	<u>53,569</u>

8. Staff Costs

	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
Wages and salaries	33,172	28,562
Payroll taxes – employer's portion	3,331	3,001
Other	2,044	1,626
	<u>38,547</u>	<u>33,189</u>

The number of persons employed by the Foundation at the year-end was 8 (2021 - 8).

9. Investment Advisers' Fees

Investment Advisers' fees for the year are comprised as follows -

	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
BPM Financials Limited	<u>768</u>	<u>754</u>

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10. Property, Plant and Equipment

		2022				
		Freehold Land and Building \$'000	Motor Vehicles \$'000	Computers \$'000	Furniture and Fixtures \$'000	Total \$'000
At Cost -						
At 1 August 2021		27,168	16,479	21,030	7,684	72,361
Additions		-	-	1,075	936	2,011
At 31 July 2022		27,168	16,479	22,105	8,620	74,372
Depreciation -						
At 1 August 2021		15,235	10,891	18,748	7,133	52,007
Charge for the year		871	2,339	163	243	3,616
At 31 July 2022		16,106	13,230	18,911	7,376	55,623
Net Book Value -						
31 July 2022		11,062	3,249	3,194	1,244	18,749
		2021				
		Freehold Land and Building \$'000	Motor Vehicles \$'000	Computers \$'000	Furniture and Fixtures \$'000	Total \$'000
At Cost -						
At 1 August 2020		27,168	11,479	18,888	7,630	65,165
Additions		-	5,000	2,142	54	7,196
At 31 July 2021		27,168	16,479	21,030	7,684	72,361
Depreciation -						
At 1 August 2020		14,364	7,845	18,676	6,912	47,797
Charge for the year		871	3,046	72	221	4,210
At 31 July 2021		15,235	10,891	18,748	7,133	52,007
Net Book Value -						
31 July 2021		11,933	5,588	2,282	551	20,354



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11. Investment Securities

	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
At beginning of year	225,614	217,688
Fund withdrawn- net	(52,577)	(5,001)
Unrealized (loss)/gain	(6,111)	7,444
Interest earned	5,627	5,483
At end of year	172,553	225,614
Represented by:		
Short term investments (amortised cost)		
Repurchase agreement	82,640	131,787
Cash deposit	-	114
	82,640	131,901
Investments at FVPL		
Equity instruments (Quoted shares)	72,596	77,863
Debt instruments (Government bonds)	17,317	15,850
	89,913	93,713
	172,553	225,614

12. Beneficial Interest in Endowment Fund

	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
Total investments comprised the following - Endowment Fund		
Funds held in trust	1,093,572	1,108,560
Notes receivables	20,532	20,532
	1,114,104	1,129,092
Investment FVPL (Note 11)	89,913	93,713
Investments at amortised cost (Note 11)	82,640	131,901
	1,286,657	1,354,706

The Board, in recognition that the America's Fund is a reducing source which was established for a limited period of time, approved the establishment of an endowment fund on 23 September 2004 and seeded the fund with \$85,000,000 in January 2013. The purpose of the fund is to ensure that the Foundation has a long-standing and sustained source of income.

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12. Beneficial Interest in Endowment Fund (Continued)

In furtherance of the EFJ's merger with Forest Conservation Fund / Jamaica Protected Areas Trust (JPAT):

- the amount of \$633,135,000 designated by JPAT for their Endowment Fund was transferred to the EFJ in 2016/2017,
- the amount of \$48,042,000.00 was transferred in 2017/2018,
- the amount of J\$48,677,000.00 was received in 2018/2019
- the amount of J\$49,944,000.00 was received in 2019/2020 and
- the amount of J\$38,989,000.00 was received in 2020/2021
- the amount of J\$38,938,000.00 was received in 2021/2022

These amounts are now being invested in a separate pool of Funds at NCB Capital Markets and Jefferies LLC.

Investment Securities by Adviser

	Fund I \$'000	Fund II \$'000	Fund III \$'000	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
Endowment Fund -					
Notes Receivable	15,194	5,338	-	20,532	20,532
NCB Capital Markets					
Repurchase agreements	93,049	32,850	44,131	170,030	794,386
Equities	-	-	343,309	343,309	390,678
Jefferies LLC					
Cash and cash equivalents	-	-	390,932	390,932	-
Equities	-	-	61,415	61,415	-
Exchange Traded Funds	-	-	109,615	109,615	-
Mutual Funds	-	-	17,982	17,982	-
Investments -					
Barita Portfolio Management Limited					
Securities	630	16,463	-	17,093	15,603
Quoted equities	72,596	-	-	72,596	-
NCB Capital Markets					
Repurchase agreements	-	-	82,043	82,043	131,901
	181,469	54,651	1,049,427	1,285,547	1,353,100
Accrued interest	14	230	866	1,110	1,606
Total investments	181,483	54,881	1,050,293	1,286,657	1,354,706

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13. Other Assets

	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
Prepayments	617	447
Taxation Recoverable	1,076	-
Other receivables	386	393
	<u>2,079</u>	<u>840</u>

- (i) The Foundation has been granted a waiver of all taxes in accordance with Article III of the agreement between the Government of Jamaica and the Government of the United States of America concerning an Enterprise for the Americas Initiative and in accordance with the provisions of Charities Act.
- (ii) Other receivables primarily represent administrator fees receivable from the Special Climate Change Adaptation Fund and amounts advanced to grant beneficiaries under the European Union / Forestry Department Fund Administration Agreement.

14. Cash and Bank

	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
Cash and bank	<u>84,934</u>	<u>123,346</u>

15. Accounts Payable and Accrued Charges

	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
Accounts payable	146	146
Accrued charges	10,383	6,631
Other	2,061	2,061
	<u>12,590</u>	<u>8,838</u>

16. Managed Funds

	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
Northern Jamaica Conservation Association Endowment Fund (a)	-	1,001
Special Climate Change Adaptation Fund (b)	47,386	73,113
European Union / Forestry Department Grants (c)	-	27,437
	<u>47,386</u>	<u>101,551</u>

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16. Managed Funds (Continued)

(a) Northern Jamaica Conservation Association

The Foundation has decided to manage separately monies approved for the establishment of an Endowment Fund for Seven Oaks Sanctuary for Wildlife. The amount approved, and interest earned is as follows:

	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
Opening balance of fund	1,001	1,001
Write off	(1,001)	-
Closing balance of fund	-	1,001

On October 21, 2021 the Board, on the basis of no activity at National Jamaica Conservation Association transferred the amount back to the PL480 pool of funds available for disbursements to environmental projects.

(b) Special Climate Change Adaptation Fund

Phase I

The Adaptation Programme and Financing Mechanism (AP&FM) for the Pilot Programme for Climate Resilience, Jamaica (PPCR) is being executed by the Government of Jamaica (GOJ) through the Ministry of Economic Growth and Job Creation (MEGJC) which has been assigned the responsibility for climate change. The Programme is pursued with funding provided by the Special Climate Change Adaptation Fund (SCCAF) and comprises three (3) components.

The MEGJC wishes to pursue the implementation of Component II of the Programme which relates to the creation and establishment of innovative climate financing mechanisms to help support implementation of climate resilience within Micro, Small and Medium Size Enterprises (MSMEs) and Community Based Organizations (CBOs). The MEGJC has established a Project Executing Unit (PEU) with office located at 16a Half-Way-Tree Road in Kingston. The PEU is responsible for the overall fiduciary, administrative, financial management and technical functions (including planning, coordination, supervision, staffing, procurement, monitoring and evaluation) in the implementation of the AP&FM-PPCR Jamaica.

The total sum allocated for the purposes of performing the activities under Component II is Four Million Seven Hundred Thousand United States Dollars (USD \$4,700,000.00). Broken out as follows:

Year 1: US\$1,200,000.00
Year 2: US\$1,400,000.00
Year 3: US\$1,400,000.00
Year 4: US\$ 700,000.00

Phase II

The PEU has recommended that a Grant Fund be established to allow community groups/organizations to access grant funding to implement projects to construct MICRO Check Dams on individual properties. USD 1.2M of Grant Resources was used to establish the Grant Fund for MICRO Check Dams to implement the construction of 1,800 MICRO Check Dams through the use of grants allocated to community groups/organizations.

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16. Managed Funds (Continued)

(b) Special Climate Change Adaptation Fund

Phase II

The Grant Fund will be similar to the Special Climate Change Adaptation Fund (SCCAF) Phase I which was established under the AP&FM-PPCR, Jamaica in July 2016 through a Fund Administrator Agreement (FAA) between the MEGJC and the Environmental Foundation of Jamaica (EFJ). This arrangement was established via a new FAA in June 3, 2019.

The MEGJC engaged the Environmental Foundation of Jamaica (EFJ) to perform the Services required to implement these activities. Fees for the performance of these services under each Phase were agreed to be 7% of the annual allocations.

- (i) Grants are awarded to eligible organisations through a Call for Proposals. There were no Calls for Proposals during the year. See listing below of projects awarded under Phase I with grant commitments:

	Amount awarded \$'000	Amount disbursed \$'000	Balance \$'000
Ashley Primary and Infant School	4,931	4,831	100
Bellefield Citizens Development Association	4,940	4,909	31
Boundbrook Primary School	5,000	-	5,000
Church Teachers College	5,000	4,950	50
Cockpit Country Local Forest Management Committee	4,972	4,907	65
Elliott Farmers Community Group	4,730	4,245	485
Kellits Primary School PTA	4,996	4,900	96
Leeds Community Development Committee	5,000	4,837	163
Little Bay All Age and Infant School	5,000	4,319	681
Merlene Ottey High School	4,034	2,950	1,084
Mount Airy Primary & Infant School	4,743	4,262	481
Nature Preservation Foundation	5,000	4,930	70
Northern Caribbean University	4,997	4,897	100
Planters Hall All Age and Infant School	5,000	4,787	213
Porter's Mountain Community Development Committee	5,000	2,974	2,026
Rock Hall Production and Marketing Benevolent Society	5,000	-	5,000
Rock Hall Primary School	5,000	-	5,000
Rock Primary and Infant School	740	573	167
Rose Hall Farmers Group	4,990	4,940	50
Sanguinetti Farmers Group - Soil Conservation	5,000	4,840	160
Siloah Community Development Committee	4,754	4,390	364
Southern Trelawny Environmental Agency	4,910	4,710	200
Upper Rock Spring All Age & Infant School	4,993	4,893	100
Windsor Forest Primary School	5,000	-	5,000
Total Phase I	113,661	91,876	21,786

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16. Managed Funds (Continued)

Phase II: MICRO Check Dams

	Amount awarded \$'000	Amount disbursed \$'000	Balance \$'000
Brandon Hill Patriots Community Development Committee	29,789	29,062	727
Kellits Development Area Committee	500	-	500
Rural Water Supply Company	29,998	19,979	10,019
Summerfield Community Development Committee	30,000	29,942	58
Total Phase II	90,287	78,983	11,304

Aquaponics Projects:

	Amount awarded \$'000	Amount disbursed \$'000	Balance \$'000
Aenon Town Community Development Committee	2,537	2,115	422
Alston Community Development Committee	1,486	1,326	160
James Hill Community Development Committee	1,373	1,249	124
Northern Clarendon Aquaponics Cluster	1,346	941	405
Ritchie's Community Development Committee	1,346	1,146	200
Total Phase II	8,088	6,777	1,311

A balance of \$12,985,000.00 is available to allocate to other grants.

(b) EU / Forestry Department Grants

The Foundation entered into a Fund Administrator Agreement with the Forestry Department on January 31, 2021. The objective of the agreement is for the administration of a specific activity to be undertaken pursuant to the European Union Budget Support Programme; that activity being the upscaling of existing alternative livelihood projects to support forest communities.

The activities related to the Improved Forest Management for Jamaica (IFMJ) programme, between the European Union and Jamaica is to assist the Government of Jamaica in implementing the Forest Policy for Jamaica 2017 (and supporting the National Forest Management and Conservation Plan (2016-2026), to sustainably manage and utilize Jamaica's forest resources to enhance social and economic development and contribute to building Jamaica's climate change resiliency programme.

Forty six (46) grants were awarded a total of J\$240 million. At year end all the projects were completed and received all their disbursements.

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17. Administrative Fund Expenses Recoverable

	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
Opening balance	(21,676)	(20,044)
Deficit Income over Expenditure	<u>(14,269)</u>	<u>(1,632)</u>
Closing balance	<u><u>(35,945)</u></u>	<u><u>(21,676)</u></u>

18. Capital Reserves

The cost of capital assets acquired using Government of Jamaica EAI payments received is credited to capital reserves and released to the administration fund over the life of the relevant assets by reference to depreciation charges. The balance is comprised as follows:

	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
Balance at beginning of year	9,684	10,134
Less:		
Transfers to administration fund in current year (depreciation)	<u>(450)</u>	<u>(450)</u>
Balance at end of year	<u><u>9,234</u></u>	<u><u>9,684</u></u>

Depreciation noted in the Capital Reserves differ from amount recognised in Note 10 property, plant and equipment as the funds used to acquire (i) some of computers and (ii) Motor Vehicles were obtained from sources external to the America's Fund. The depreciation charges recognise in capital reserves excludes depreciation on these assets.

19. Commitments

As at 31 July 2022, the Foundation had project grant funds committed and not disbursed of approximately \$51,760,390.71 - SCCAF \$44,882,231.09 (Note 16); TFCA \$6,878,159.62.

20. Related Party Balances and Transactions

(a) Key management compensation:

	2022 \$'000	2021 \$'000
Wages and salaries	15,293	14,565
Payroll taxes – employer's portion	1,611	1,504
Other	<u>240</u>	<u>240</u>
	<u><u>17,144</u></u>	<u><u>16,309</u></u>
Directors' fees	<u>Nil</u>	<u>Nil</u>

At year ended 31 July 2022, grants approved but not disbursed for the University of the West Indies amounted to \$726,479.89 from TFCA.



MEMBERS

1. Association of Development Agencies (ADA)
2. BirdLife of Jamaica
3. Caribbean Coastal Area Management Foundation (C-CAM)
4. Community Based Rehabilitation Jamaica (CBRJ)
5. Dolphin Head Local Forest Management Committee
6. Jamaica Association for the Deaf (JAD)
7. Jamaica Baptist Women's Federation
8. Jamaica Cancer Society
9. Jamaica Conservation and Development Trust (JCDDT)
10. Jamaica Environment Trust (JET)
11. Jamaica Family Planning Association
12. Jamaica Institute of Environmental Professionals (JIEP)
13. Jamaica Organic Agriculture Movement (JOAM)
14. Jamaican Society for the Blind
15. Northern Rio Minho LPMC
16. Petersfield Galloway Benevolent Society
17. Professional Development Institute
18. The Council for Voluntary Social Services (CVSS)
19. The Jamaican Association on Intellectual Disabilities (JAID)



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