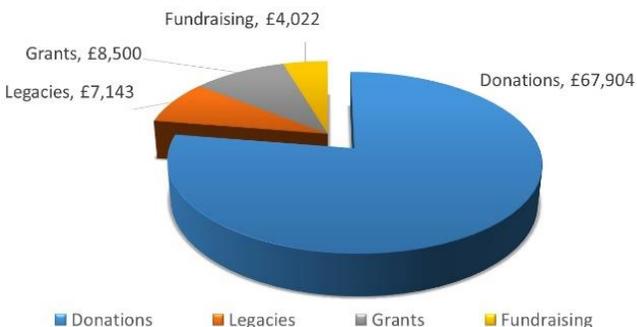
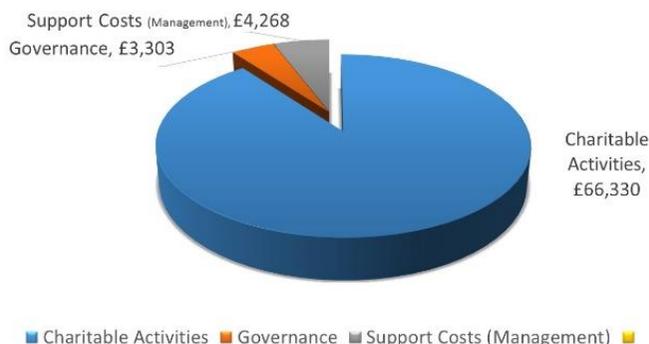


FINANCE

CEP Income 2015-16



CEP Expenditure 2015-16



At our recent AGM, treasurer Martin Williamson presented figures for the last financial year as reflected in the adjacent pie charts.

Although encouraged that our income has increased from the previous year we are mindful that this is due in part to one or two sizeable donations. Therefore we are equally mindful of the need to see an increase in our consistent giving in order to not only maintain the work, but also enable the Project to continue moving forward.

One way we are seeking to do this is through our 'FRIENDS OF CEP' scheme. If you would like more details on how you can support the Project financially please contact the office or check our website for details.

Year on year we have been encouraged by the generous response to our annual Gift Day. With this in mind we would like to publicise our Gift Day 2017 to be held on **Sunday 25th June**, and encourage you to promote this within your churches and networks.

Please help sustain and grow this valuable work by supporting us on this day, both prayerfully and financially.

Thank you, as always, for all your support.



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SCHOOL REPORT

Inevitably we finished the spring term with our normal Easter busy-ness! In the three weeks running up to the end of term the team were engaged in Easter assemblies across the borough's primary schools. During this time we conducted over 50 lessons and assemblies, visiting 29 schools and effectively reaching over 15,000 children / young people. It was particularly good to be invited into a number of schools we have had little to no contact with in recent years, especially Farnham Green and Churchfields Jrs. A real highlight was working with Yrs 5 & 6 at Chigwell Primary to produce 'Freeze Frames' of the Easter Story. For our assemblies we were pleased to be able to use the illustrations of Simona Sanfilippo once again (see cover image)

It all seemed a far cry from when term began in January conducting our team building session with staff at Roding Primary as part of their inset day. It is always really interesting to see how the adults engage with the activity in contrast with the students! It is proving a great way of serving the schools and building relationships with the staff.

Other highlights this term have included:

- A welcome return to Chadwell Academy working with Y9 classes on 'Relationships & Marriage' lessons.
- Facilitating a Faith in Action workshop with Yr6 students with presentations from Sonia Lynch of the Welcome Centre and Bob Hughes of Redbridge Street Pastors.
- 'Why is Jesus important?' lessons with Yr5s at Fairlop Primary
- 'Feeding the 5,000' and 'Creation' lessons with classes at Chadwell Primary.

Perhaps though, one of the most exciting things this term has been the Prayer Space that we ran at Ursuline Academy in Ilford. Over the course of 3 days we had some 500 students pass through our 16 stations of prayerful reflection based around the Prodigal Son story. A number of the stations were videos that defined what the word *prodigal* actually means (Excessive, extravagant, reckless) and questioned whether the father (God) is the real prodigal. What a privilege to be able to tell 500+ teenage girls that they are "Excessively, extravagantly and recklessly loved by God."

As always, we thank you all for your continued support.

At our AGM in March the current CEP Committee Chairman, Rev. Neil Spencer announced that he would be standing down later this year as he also retires from his position at Woodford Baptist Church. We obviously are extremely grateful for all that Neil has done in steering the Project through a time of transition and would ask your prayers for him and Ellie (his wife) as they embark on an exciting new chapter. Please also uphold the committee in your prayers as we will obviously be looking to appoint new leadership in due course.

NEIL SPENCER



EASTER 2017
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29 Schools
Approx 15,000 Children / Young
People reached



L to R: Rob & Rebecca deliver an Easter assembly, Prodigal Prayer Space at Ursuline Academy, Ilford, Easter 'Freeze Frames' at Chigwell Primary

We are really excited to have been working with Big Picture Charity Films recently to produce a short promotional film that will help us to raise the profile of the Project. We are thrilled with the results and have been pleased to show it at our recent AGM.

It will appear on our website soon and will be distributed to churches along with publicity for our up-coming Gift Day. We would like to acknowledge support from the following schools:

Barley Lane, Fullwood and Glade Primary schools and Woodbridge High School.

