



Introduction to Financial Report for 2015

The year 2015 was a very exciting one for those of us involved with Hope Springs Water. The passing weeks and months saw Hope Springs Water personnel in Belize leading well pump recovery teams into the rural areas of the Toledo district in southern Belize. These teams hailed from various places around the US...Monticello, Arkansas; Las Vegas Nevada; Athens, Texas; San Marcos, Texas; Marshal, Texas; and Lufkin, Texas, to mention a few. Teams from San Antonio, Texas; Athens, Texas; Shreveport, Louisiana; and Dallas, Texas traveled to Ethiopia to drill water wells in the remote villages of the Tolle and Bachu Waredas in the Western Shewa District, state of Oromia in Central Ethiopia on the horn of East Africa.

Bruce Hinds, Hope Springs Water's Country Director for Belize reported that seven contaminated, non-functional well pumps were replaced in 2015. The government of Belize has actually done a good job of drilling wells in the remote Mayan and Ketchi villages of southern Belize, but the caustic water in these areas have caused the galvanized steel below water level on the pumps to heavily rust, causing the water to turn red, taste bitter, and cause severe stomach cramps in those who drink it. This leads the people to return to drinking water from the rivers, which causes the very young and the very old significant illnesses...including death. Hope Springs Water teams remove the galvanized steel from these pumps and replace it with stainless steel, brass and PVC, making the well be a provider of palatable, safe water for the villagers.

The teams traveling to Ethiopia were able to drill ten wells in 2015,

with wells located in schools, Health Clinics, and government offices in villages with names like Bantu, Tulu Bolo, Lalessee, and Jijiga.

With ten wells being provided, safe water has been provided to between 3000 and 5000 villagers who had been drinking from rivers and ponds in the region.

By the end of 2015, Hope Springs Water had entered into serious negotiations with Restore Hope, a non-profit organization based in Arlington, Texas, with discussions centering around forming a partnership that would significantly ramp up the operations of Hope Springs Water in drilling wells, providing sanitation facilities, and offering public health education classes in the schools and communities in that region. Other partners with Restore Hope offer services such as church planting and building, pastor training, medical clinics, providing healthy meals to the hungry, and offering de-worming programs in the schools.

Join us as we offer our programs of safe water and sanitation to some of the world's most desperate, remotely located, and appreciative people. God bless all of you!