

**St Andrew's Presbyterian Church  
Henderson**

**A.G.M.  
2012  
Reports**

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**MINUTES OF THE ST ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HENDERSON  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD IN THE CHURCH ON SUNDAY 30 OCTOBER 2011**

**PRESENT:** The Moderator Rev Fei Taule'ale'ausumai Davis and 35 members and adherents.

The meeting was constituted with scripture reading and prayer.

**APOLOGIES:** Received and sustained from Anne Verry, Afoa Tuuga Stevenson, Nele Mase, Nanai Nanai, and Muaau Clarke.

The Nanai, Tuivaiti and Van Huffel families were welcomed to their first AGM.

Congratulations were given to Alison Coates on her appointment as a Justice of the Peace .

**MINUTES OF THE 2010 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:** Moved Jean Jenkins, seconded Ailsa Freeman, that the Minutes as circulated be confirmed. **Agreed.**

**PARISH COUNCIL:** Moved Ailsa Freeman, seconded Alan Bussey, that this report be accepted. Some members stated they did not know who their Elders were. Linda Johns has a full contact list. Elders reminded of the need to contact those on their list.

**PROPERTY AND FINANCE:** Moved Alan Bussey, seconded Lynda Browne, that this report be accepted. The Centenary has been a catalyst to move forward, but we cannot move forward without cash in the bank. We need to have goals to work and donate towards. Just like the national church, we are asset rich and cash poor. Thanks given to Alan for all his work in looking after our property.

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:** Moved Ailsa Freeman, seconded Diane Bussey, that this report be accepted. Our goal is to get more people to own the worship team.

**MUSIC:** Moved Alison Coates, seconded Catherine Connell, that this report be accepted.

**KIDS FRIENDLY:** Moved Caty Ferguson, seconded Linda Johns, that this report be accepted. We are trialling some new ideas at the start of the Service.

**MAINLY MUSIC:** Moved Caty Ferguson, seconded Catherine Connell, that this report be accepted. We are now a certified Play Group with Ministry of Education funding. It is a Wednesday Church with a vision that the 30 or so families attending may become part of the Sunday Church as well.

**SHOP:** Moved Catherine Connell, seconded Ailsa Freeman, that this report be accepted. The Shop is a major source of income for St Andrews. Thank you to all those who work in the Shop.

**SECRETARY'S COMMENT:** Linda Johns updated us on all the innovations to our weekly newsletter and our links to the wider community through our website and Facebook. Many thanks to Linda for all her time and effort in her role as Secretary.

**CENTENARY EVALUATION:** This information to be linked to our website.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Moved Grant Connell, seconded Alan Bussey that this report be accepted. Mention made of the large increase in insurance costs because of the Christchurch earthquake and also the age of our church building.

**GENERAL: Baptisms** – Twenty five baptisms have been performed since Fei started ministry here.

**Youth Internship** – Falen Tuuga Stevenson has been approached by PCANZ to be in charge of publicity for Going Global, National Youth Ministry in Vanuatu June 2012. They are offering a \$1000 scholarship, but total cost is \$2000. We will offer \$1000 from our Youth Internship Grant to cover costs. Discussion on use of remaining \$4000 to furthering our own youth work. Request for those who may be interested in assisting with this work.

**St Andrews Day Fund raising** – Agreed that all money raised in this years appeal go towards remedial work / painting of the church building.

Thanks given to all who wrote reports, made morning teas and assisted in any other way in the life and work of St Andrews. Fei given a special vote of thanks for her continuing work in St Andrews and the wider Church.

The meeting closed with the benediction and three fold amen at 11.56am.

**CONFIRMED**.....

**DATE**.....

## **PARISH COUNCIL REPORT YEAR ENDING JUNE 2012.**

Our average attendance at our monthly meetings has been seven. Those members have worked hard all year and so keep our parish running smoothly.

In June Anne Verry was inducted as an elder and she is already an asset to the council.

We celebrated St Andrews Church 100years in July. It was great meeting past members and friends. A big “thank you” to all who made this such a success.

We have also celebrated our usual parish special times.

Singing Sunday.

St Andrews Day fund raiser.

Last Supper meal on Maundy Thursday.

Christmas Services and carol singing.

We have said goodbye to our minister in June. Fei accepted a position at the Council for World Mission as Secretary for the Pacific Area. We had an emotional but fun “send off” for Fei and Rewi after the service in June.

Fei performed two Christenings in the months before she left – Lewis Johns and Jaxon Hamlin-Browne.

### **We were saddened by the loss of Maurie Coates in December.**

A “BIG” THANK YOU TO ALL WHO WORK HARD TO KEEP OUR PARISH RUNNING SMOOTHLY.

Bruce Deverell for stepping up to the plate (so to speak) and filling the pulpit when needed.

The amazing Linda Johns who works so hard to keep each weekly service running well and enjoyable.

Grant Connell as treasurer and recording the minutes of the Parish Council.

Beryl Hughes for preparing and distributing the offering envelopes.

Tueipi Clarke for the preparation of communion every second month.

Anne Verry for supplying the cleaning gear and keeping a supply of clean hand and tea towels.

All the staff who work in the Op Shop.

The Kid’s Friendly, Mainly Music, Faith Builders Team.

The musicians leading our Sunday Services with a variety of hymn selections.

The members of the Christian Education and Fellowship Committee who have been such a valuable help with all the services.

The members of the Property and Finance Committee whose work has already started on the revamp of the manse.

Everyone on the flower and cleaning and the tea and coffee rosters. Especially the yummy morning teas after the church service.

We are looking forward to the process of calling another minister and ask God’s blessing on the members of the settlement board.

Ailsa Freeman, Session Clerk.

# PROPERTY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

## 2012

The good news continues to be that we are still here – especially since Fei is not!

Last year, our finances were pretty shaky, so it is pleasing to see a better bottom line in our accounts - we continue to make ends meet, as are a lot of people.

An upgrade of the hall and meeting room heaters has been completed, much to the delight of the Faith Builders teaching staff. Also, the plaque listing the names of the families and individuals who donated to the Hall floor project has been completed and will be dedicated as soon as possible. The tree was planted and the time capsule placed, to commemorate the 100 year centenary.

As you know, the project that has taken over from all others is to renovate the Manse, as significant work has not been done to it since before Fei moved in. As well as internal works (work on the shower, replacing the carpets and drapes and painting throughout), we are also replacing the aluminium joinery, as well as the front fence and fixing the cracked footpath – and adding a landing to the back door. To do so, we have had to raise some funds from the PSDS – thank you for your approval to do this earlier this year.

As mentioned in last year's report, obtaining earthquake insurance was an issue. We have come to the realisation that we can not afford to have earthquake insurance, so we are only covered for fire.

I would like again to thank all of the people who do work for our church. Without you our church would not be able to function. You are all highly thought of and valued.

Finally, thank you all for your continual financial contributions to our Church.

Alan Bussey  
Convener.

## SHOP REPORT

The Church Shop is situated at 9 Trading Place and has been operating since September 1984. We sell a wide range of good quality items including clothing, jewellery, bric a brac, household goods and furniture. There are always treasures to be found. We depend on the generosity of Church members and the public for donations of goods.

We are open from 10.00am to 2.00pm on Mondays, 10.00am to 4.00pm on Tuesdays to Fridays, and 10.00am to 12.00pm on Saturdays. These hours are working well.

Fifteen staff members work voluntarily at the Shop.

Donations have been coming in steadily and it is difficult to keep up with them. We could always do with some extra helpers. No experience is necessary and you would not be working on your own.

At the beginning of this year the Salvation Army Family Store moved into Trading Place. This has meant that we have had new customers. Also, our takings have increased by \$10322 since June 2011, which is very encouraging. We need to keep this level up to assist with the ever increasing costs of running the Church. The revenue gained from the Shop is absolutely essential. Without it St Andrew's could not exist.

We still need to make far more people aware of our existence. If you have not been to the Shop, come and visit us. Please let your families and friends know where we are, and encourage them to come and have a look at what we sell.

Ailsa and Catherine continue sharing the role of Shop Convenor and the job is made easy by the cooperation of the staff.

The Shop is a very important outreach in our community. Some customers come in regularly just to have a chat. We offer a listening ear, support and encouragement.

We are extremely grateful to all staff members for their time and dedication. Everyone's contribution is much appreciated.

Ailsa and Catherine

## **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT YEAR ENDING JUNE 2012.**

### **KID'S FRIENDLY, FAITH BUILDERS, MAINLY MUSIC.**

The team has been doing a great job and there has been so much happening in the teaching and leading of the junior church.

It is great that the three groups are under the one umbrella of Kid's Friendly.

There will be a separate, more expansive report elsewhere in this document.

### **YOUTH.**

Nofo Nanai has been inspirational as the leader of our youth. They meet every Sunday evening at Nofo's home. They have taken a very successful church service as well as helping out with the daily running of the parish, especially helping in the kitchen. Some members have also attended "Connect" conferences.

### **WORSHIP.**

Over the year when Fei has been away the services have been taken by some of the groups in the congregation, Bruce Deverell, and an intern Gary Mauga. Since Fei has finished we have had Elizabeth Mansill, Karel Lorier and also many other people and so we are able to maintain a service every week.

### **STEEL MAGNOLIAS.**

As usual our group has had a great time together and enjoyed some yummy food. We have been to the cinema, had a joke night, watched a DVD, music night, and a games night. We are thankful to all who have opened their homes to us.

### **SENIORS FELLOWSHIP.**

We meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month and have enjoyed some interesting subjects. We arrive at the church meeting room at 11-30am and have a shared lunch at 12noon. We have discussed our questions and doubts over some biblical passages, we went to the Catalina Café at Whenuapai, had a Lenten study before Easter, questioned who was St George, Fei spoke to us in May, shared our dreams of the future of St Andrews.

We are a happy and dedicated group, who enjoy each others company as well as the food we share.

There are other groups involved in this committee and their reports are elsewhere in this document.

Ailsa Freeman,  
Convenor.

# Kids Friendly Report

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We have now had a Kids Friendly team for 1 year. We have been very busy over the year, trialling new things that support our children's faith journey. We have signed up to being a Kids Friendly church, and we will need to look at doing a Kids Friendly self-review in the new year, which will help us see what further steps our church might take to look after children, young people and their families.

Our children are a wonderful part of our congregation. They are full of energy and over the year have become more inclined to express their opinions. We will continue to encourage them to have a larger part in our services.

We have made a few changes to the part of the service while the children are there, including purchasing a new children's Bible for using both during the children's Bible reading and for taking out to Faithbuilders.

## Faithbuilders

Late in 2011 we asked the children about a new name for our Sunday School, and after a few weeks of thinking came up with the name Faithbuilders. There are two groups that make up Faithbuilders currently. We start each Sunday as one, for prayer and singing before moving into two groups with separate activities and leaders. The time together has helped to build more community with our young people, which is further enhanced when we gather together with the youth members.



2011 finished on a real high for the children with the Children's Christmas service extravaganza. Real thanks go to Jean and the team for pulling this off so well.

We have been exploring different ways to guide the children's spiritual journey, so this year we did not use a set curriculum, but instead worked out our own. In the first term, we looked at who we are, and what the children would like to learn. We looked at the building blocks of faith, resulting in a great building activity.

The second term was Moses life, rounding up with a review presented in church, showing what we've learnt. Third term we went to the New Testament, and looked at the Parables. The review for the Parables, was very well received, showing us that this is a format good for both adults and children. The children responded really well to the messages of these terms, and you can still see some of what they did on the walls in the hall.



We are very grateful for the commitment of all those involved in establishing such an important aspect to our church family, not only in supporting the initiatives by being rostered for a duty and allowing the opportunity to try new things but also in the time and effort to ensure the quality of the teaching and learning for Faithbuilders is at the highest level. We are looking forward to an



exciting year next year as we grow and develop our Faithbuilders community within the church family.

Thanks to the Faithbuilders team, Diane, Caty, Jenny, Nofo, Jean, Nele, Nellie, Papua, and Christine.

## Mainly Music

This year has been a year of change for our mainly music, both happy and sad. We have said good bye to Fei, who will be sadly missed by the parents at mainly music as well as the team. Jenny has also had to return to work, although we live in hope that she might be able to return at some stage. This left our team with two vacancies, so one of our long term parents, Rebecca, has joined our committee. We are still looking for another team member as Janette, has been told to take time off by her specialist.



We have been pleased to welcome 9 new families to our sessions this year. We are about to consider promotion again, as some of our core group go off to school.

We are now a fully certificated playgroup, with funding coming in twice a year. We have obligations to the Ministry of Education, which means that we now have an activity set up in the hall, to ensure we cover all the curriculum areas (eg, art or playdough). We have purchased some wonderful resources for this session, including some lovely balance walks and stones, musical instruments, construction blocks as well as shelving to store it all. The children are really enjoying the experiences we can now provide. We were able to apply for a set up grant, which gave us a little extra for resources. All resources purchased with Ministry of Education money are owned by the Ministry, so if we ever closed down our Mainly Music we would have to return them to the ministry. We ensure that things we want to keep are purchased out of our own money – from parents donations.

Our special theme days this year have been, Easter and Christmas, transport and New Zealand. At Easter and Christmas we take the opportunity to tell the stories to the families using songs and music. We enjoy the challenge of thinking up slightly different ways to present the story each year. We have also enjoyed gathering songs and resources that reflect New Zealand. The children were invited to bring their own box to our transport theme day, to become a car, plane, boat. We had a wonderful session with everyone sitting in their boxes.

We are still providing support to some of the families who attend, and have just started a 'donation box' to go out during session time. We have invited families to place whatever they choose into the box, whether it be tinned good, produce from their garden, or cooked meals. We then distribute as appropriate.



Once again I would like to thank the wonderful music team – Janette, Catherine, Jean, Isabel, Rebecca and Jenny in an advisory capacity. They do a wonderful job.

# MUSIC REPORT

During the year the music for our services has continued to be mainly organ and / or piano, led by Alison, Catherine and Lavea. We have a wide range of hymns which are drawn from at least 20 different sources. We include a Samoan hymn in most services (or sometimes a Cook Island hymn).

Thanks to Linda for preparing the hymns on power point, and also to the people who operate the power point each Sunday.

Carol singing was held on 18 December and a group of singers visited Waratah Retirement Home, Avondale Rest Home and Hospital, and Ranfurly Veterans Home and Hospital. We allowed plenty of time at each venue, which proved to be most worthwhile. The singers enjoyed singing to (and with) the residents, who were particularly appreciative of our visit.

We continued our tradition of holding a 9.00pm service of carols and readings in the church hall on Christmas Eve. This was enjoyed by all those who attended.

In July/August Catherine and Alison sang in the Many Choirs Festival at St Andrews Anglican Church, Kohimarama, and St John's Presbyterian Church, Papatoetoe. The Many Choirs Festival will continue and we encourage you to support next year's event, which will be held on the last Sunday in July and the first Sunday in August. The services are always very inspiring.

On 20 May and 9 September we had singing Sundays when favourite hymns were requested and sung.

We have continued including the Mainly Music songs in the services. In this way we show that we value the Mainly Music programme, and the outreach into the community that it provides.

Please let us (Alison, Catherine or Lavea) know what you think of the music and hymns. We do need and appreciate your feedback.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Our overall offerings decreased by \$1296 this year, but many thanks to everyone for their support and commitment. The Shop income is up by a staggering \$10322, a truly great result. Many thanks to all the staff – it is certainly worth the effort. Phoenix House income remains constant. As you can see we still rely heavily on these two sources of income.

The projected budget again shows a small profit for the coming year caused by the fact that we are not paying any stipend while the parish is vacant . We are still waiting for this year's insurance account which is predicted to be higher than last year.

We are in the process of taking out a loan of \$50,000 from PSDS to refurbish the manse while it is vacant, and to do some maintenance work on the church buildings. Repayments will be made from the savings made by not having a stipend to pay, and from rent for the manse once it is finished.

We would again encourage more people to take on direct giving either by automatic payment or direct credit, as this is an easy, regular way of offering. We would also remind you that the limits on tax rebates for charitable giving has been lifted, so we would ask you to consider giving your rebate to the church for an even higher return the next year.

The annual St Andrew's Day appeal boosted our funds by \$1162. This event is held each year as a special way to support the Church.

We still continue to meet in full our commitments to General Assembly and Northern Presbytery.

Thank you once again to everyone for their continuing commitment and support. Your contributions are much needed if we are to continue as a viable parish with a full-time Minister.

Grant Connell  
Treasurer

## ST ANDREWS HENDERSON

### STATEMENT OF ASSETS AS AT 30 JUNE 2012

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>
<b><u>CURRENT ASSETS</u></b>		
CASH AT BANK	20891.73	9685.79
P.S.D.S. INVESTMENT	305.03	7815.84
	<u>21196.76</u>	<u>17501.63</u>
<b><u>FIXED ASSETS</u></b>		
LAND (GOVERNMENT VALUATION)		
306 GREAT NORTH ROAD	405000.00	405000.00
7 TARA ROAD	450000.00	450000.00
	<u>855000.00</u>	<u>855000.00</u>
BUILDINGS (INSURED VALUE)		
CHURCH AND HALL	880000.00	880000.00
MANSE	420000.00	420000.00
PHOENIX HOUSE	200000.00	200000.00
STORAGE SHED	21000.00	21000.00
	<u>1521000.00</u>	<u>1521000.00</u>
PLANT & EQUIPMENT (INSURED VALUE)		
CHURCH AND HALL	50000.00	50000.00
MANSE	20000.00	20000.00
SHOP (INDEMNITY)	5515.00	5515.00
	<u>75515.00</u>	<u>75515.00</u>
	2472711.76	2469016.63
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**GENERAL ACCOUNT**

	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012 BUDGET 2013</b>	
<b>INCOME</b>			
OFFERINGS	29614	27841	32000
AUTOMATIC PAYMENTS	13118	13595	14000
DONATIONS	1093	1750	500
INTEREST BNZ	14	20	20
CHRISTIAN WORLD SERVICE	204	0	0
MISC	0	950	500
G.S.T.	2109	2932	2500
INTEREST PSDS	0	11	20
KIDS FRIENDLY	0	152	200
ST ANDREWS DAY	2097	1162	2000
YOUTH	497	100	500
CENTENARY	3743	3640	0
	52489	52153	52240
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>			
STIPEND	53644	53475	0
CAR ALLOWANCE	6000	5500	0
SECRETARIAL WAGES	6295	6538	7000
SPEAKERS	797	0	2000
NSF / ASSEMBLY LEVY	5841	6222	7698
PRESBYTERY LEVIES	1322	1351	1500
BANK FEES	30	5	20
TELEPHONE	2086	1635	1500
INSURANCE	422	973	1000
RATES	1233	1494	1750
WATER RATES	136	119	200
ARC RATES	193	0	0
STATIONARY & POSTAGE	58	26	100
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	308	382	500
BIBLES	0	0	0
CENTENARY	575	3739	0
TSUNAMI APPEAL	0	0	0
OVERHEAD PROJECTOR	545	0	0
CHRISTIAN WORLD SERVICE	204	0	0
MANSE R & M	63	116	30000
ASSEMBLY	761	0	0
SUNDRIES	0	851	300
ORGAN / PIANO	110	0	300
SUPERVISION	720	660	0
ACC LEVY	393	377	400
PHOTOCOPIER	660	719	1200
BUILDING FUND	0	1164	0
	82396	85346	55468
<b>EXCESS EXPENDITURE OVER INCOME</b>			
	<b>-29907</b>	<b>-33193</b>	<b>-3228</b>

**JOINT ACCOUNT**

	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012 BUDGET 2013</b>	
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**INCOME**

RENTAL	1055	2013	1500
NIUEAN	3600	3600	3600
G.S.T.	3362	1025	500
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	1000	0	0
TRUSTS	0	0	0

	9017	6638	5600
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**EXPENDITURE**

ELECTRICITY	1240	1300	1500
INSURANCE	1179	4235	4500
LAWNMOWING	881	953	1000
RATES - PROPERTY	1233	1495	1600
RATES - WATER	136	119	200
RATES - ARC	193	0	0
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	67	4467	20000
TELEPHONE	559	589	600
GARAGE	8841	0	0

	14329	13158	29400
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**EXCESS EXPENDITURE OVER INCOME**

	<b>-5312</b>	<b>-6520</b>	<b>-23800</b>
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**PHOENIX HOUSE**

	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012 BUDGET</b>	<b>2013</b>
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**INCOME**

RENTAL	24062	24062	24062
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	0	0	0

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**EXPENDITURE**

G.S.T	2485	2529	2500
LAWNMOWING	1224	1398	1500
RATES	768	795	850
RATES - WATER	265	59	70
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	0	0	1000
INSURANCE	254	266	300

	4996	5047	6220
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**EXCESS INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE**

	<b>19066</b>	<b>19015</b>	<b>17842</b>
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**SHOP**

	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012 BUDGET</b>	<b>2013</b>
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**INCOME**

SALES	33718	44040	50000
RENTAL REFUND	0	0	0
	33718	44040	50000
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>			
ELECTRICITY	748	921	1000
RENTAL	14762	15173	15504
TELEPHONE	772	647	800
INSURANCE	7	14	15
MISC	0	448	500
	16289	17203	17819
<b>EXCESS INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>17429</b>	<b>26837</b>	<b>32181</b>

**BUILDING FUND**

	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>
<b>INCOME</b>		
DONATIONS	3835	2062
	3835	2062
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
	0	4502
<b>EXCESS INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>3835</b>	<b>2440</b>

**MAINLY MUSIC**

	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>
<b>INCOME</b>		
CONTRIBUTIONS	640	791
MINISTRY EDUCATION	0	4342
	640	5133
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
SUNDRIES	374	1416
FEES	161	423
	535	1839
<b>EXCESS INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>3294</b>

**YOUTH INTERNSHIP**

	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>
<b>INCOME</b>		
ST MARTINS GRANT	5000	0
INTEREST		11
	5000	<b>11</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
CONNECT	0	1000
BANK FEES		2
		1002
<b>EXCESS EXPENDITURE OVER INCOME</b>		-991
<b><u>P.S.D.S</u></b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>
<b>INCOME</b>		

INTEREST <b>EXPENDITURE</b>	26	10	
TRANSFER TO GENERAL <b>PCANZ</b>	1000	0	
	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	
<b><u>INCOME</u></b>			
INTEREST <b>EXPENDITURE</b>	4	0	
TRANSFER TO GENERAL <b><u>TOTAL INCOME ALL ACCOUNTS</u></b>	146	0	
<b><u>TOTAL EXPENDITURE ALL ACCOUNTS</u></b>	128761	134109	131902
<b><u>EXCESS INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE</u></b>	118545	128097	108907
	10216	6012	22995