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I patron's message



The Digicel Foundation is the work I'm most proud of at Digicel. It is such a joy to be the founder and patron of this organisation and to see how it continues to grow and effect lasting change year after year. The impact we have had over the past fourteen years in education, special needs, community development and staff engagement has been transformational as we work towards helping to create a world of inclusiveness.

The past year has seen the completion of some of our long-term projects, the continuation of ongoing ones and some random acts of kindness for those in need. As a thank you to Jamaica, my wife Catherine and I selected three schools to benefit from extensive renovations – St. Michael's Primary School, Tivoli Gardens High School and Maud McLeod High School. Visiting Tivoli and St. Michael's for the handover, I was able to spend time with the children and share in their excitement for the revitalised space. Already at St. Michael's, the work has helped to have an impact as 60% of the 2017/2018 grade six class passed for top-rated high schools in Jamaica. My congratulations to all the students and teachers.

Our continued focus on special needs saw the sixth successful staging of our Digicel 5K Run with over 10,000 participants coming out to give their support and the completion of our promise to provide ten schools for

special needs children with the opening of the Lyssons Centre of Excellence in St. Thomas. Now, more than 600 children with special needs have access to educational interventions to enhance their growth and development. The centres also provide training for parents to empower them to continue working with their children at home, using the same developmental exercises.

I would like to thank Jean Lowrie-Chin, our Chairwoman, and every single member of the Foundation team, our partners and all our staff volunteers for their phenomenal work. Run entirely by Digicel employees, our Foundation is at the heart of all we do. We are inspired each and every day by the people we serve. That is what drives us to do our best so that we can continue to work towards a world in which no one gets left behind.

My thanks to you all.

Denis O'Brien, OJ (HON)



I chairman's message



At the Digicel Foundation, we have continued our unrelenting efforts towards Jamaica's national development in our partnerships with special needs, education and community development. Through the generosity of the Hon. Denis O'Brien, our Patron and Founder, we opened the tenth fully equipped special needs school in Jamaica.

Additionally, we received from Denis and Catherine O'Brien their 'thank you' gift to Jamaica of US\$1.26 million which funded the extensive renovation of three schools: Maud McLeod High in Westmoreland and Tivoli Gardens High and St. Michael's Primary in downtown Kingston.

Under the guidance of our dynamic Global Chairman Maria Mulcahy, the Digicel Foundation team in Jamaica has achieved such excellence that we were able to attract the partnerships of the Queen's Young Leaders Programme/Comic Relief and UNICEF for our community development and special needs projects.

For Labour Day, we collaborated with the Prime Minister, the Most Hon. Andrew Holness; the Minister of Culture, Gender, Entertainment and Sport, the Hon. Olivia Grange; and Opposition Leader, Dr. Peter Phillips to promote ramps in schools and public buildings.

It was a joy to welcome the brilliant Josefa Gauthier, Chairman of Digicel Haiti Foundation, for a tour of our projects. She was graciously received by Her Excellency Lady Allen at King's House.

We have enjoyed strong leadership from former CEO Dane Richardson and CEO Karlene Dawson, and excellent support from our Board and staff members. Because of their dedication, we were able to exceed our target for the Ramps in Schools initiative. We planned an exciting awareness-raising tour for Mary Davis, CEO of Special Olympics International, and celebrated the 40th Anniversary of our major partner, Special Olympics Jamaica.

The Digicel Foundation is grateful to the Digicel Jamaica staff for their spirit of volunteerism. Together, we have found that our greatest inspiration comes from our partners, especially those humble Jamaicans who use the support we offer to guide, educate and employ their fellow Jamaicans on a path of sustainability. In them, we see great promise for Jamaica's future.

Jean Lowrie-Chin, CD, JP



I ceo's message



Fourteen years ago, the Digicel Foundation, under the patronage of Denis O'Brien, set out to make a difference in the lives of all Jamaicans. Through the dedication and hard work of every single member of the team, our project partners and beneficiaries, we have been able to do just that, through our three pillars of work.

We worked with the Ministry of Education as we strive to help create Jamaica's next generation of scientists and engineers. The team recently renovated science labs in four high schools in Eastern and Western Jamaica. This upgrade is geared toward helping students from grades 7 to 9 improve their performance in the science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) areas.

Our commitment to the development of social enterprise work continued with our partnership with Comic Relief and the Queen's Young Leaders Programme. So far we have awarded 17 resourceful social enterprises with funding grants and training, offering opportunities for development and entrepreneurship anchored in social value.

We continue to promote and strive for the acceptance and inclusion of Jamaica's most vulnerable; furthering and encouraging their independence as they work toward sustainable futures shaped by community bonds. Our continued investment in organisations such as Special Olympics Jamaica, Deaf Can! Coffee and our work to renovate special

education units in schools across the island is evidence of our commitment to this area. Our key awareness campaign is the annual Digicel 5K Run for Special Needs. Six years in, it now attracts over 10,000 people. We also completed our tenth Centre of Excellence in Lyssons, St. Thomas, fulfilling a promise made by our patron Denis O'Brien to offer children with special needs access to educational interventions and the attention they need to aid in their development.

We look forward to even more growth as we deepen our partnerships, working with and serving our fellow Jamaicans as we move towards becoming a more developed society. We will continue to set the pace for others to follow, grateful for our partners, stakeholders and beneficiaries who help to make our work so rewarding.

Karlene Dawson



our board of directors



Denis O'Brien
patron



Maria Mulcahy
global chairman



Jean Lowrie-Chin
chairman



Karlene Dawson
ceo



Charmaine Daniels



Al Edwards



Antonia Graham



Monique McLeod



Justin Morin



Heather Moyston



Pauline Murphy



Marlene Wilson

I our team



From left to right: Kaye Jangalee, Leon Fraser, Candiese Leveridge, Miguel Williams, Jennifer Spence-Silvera, Wayne Dixon, Alicia Uylett, Jeneard Williamson (centre)



mapping progress

completed projects



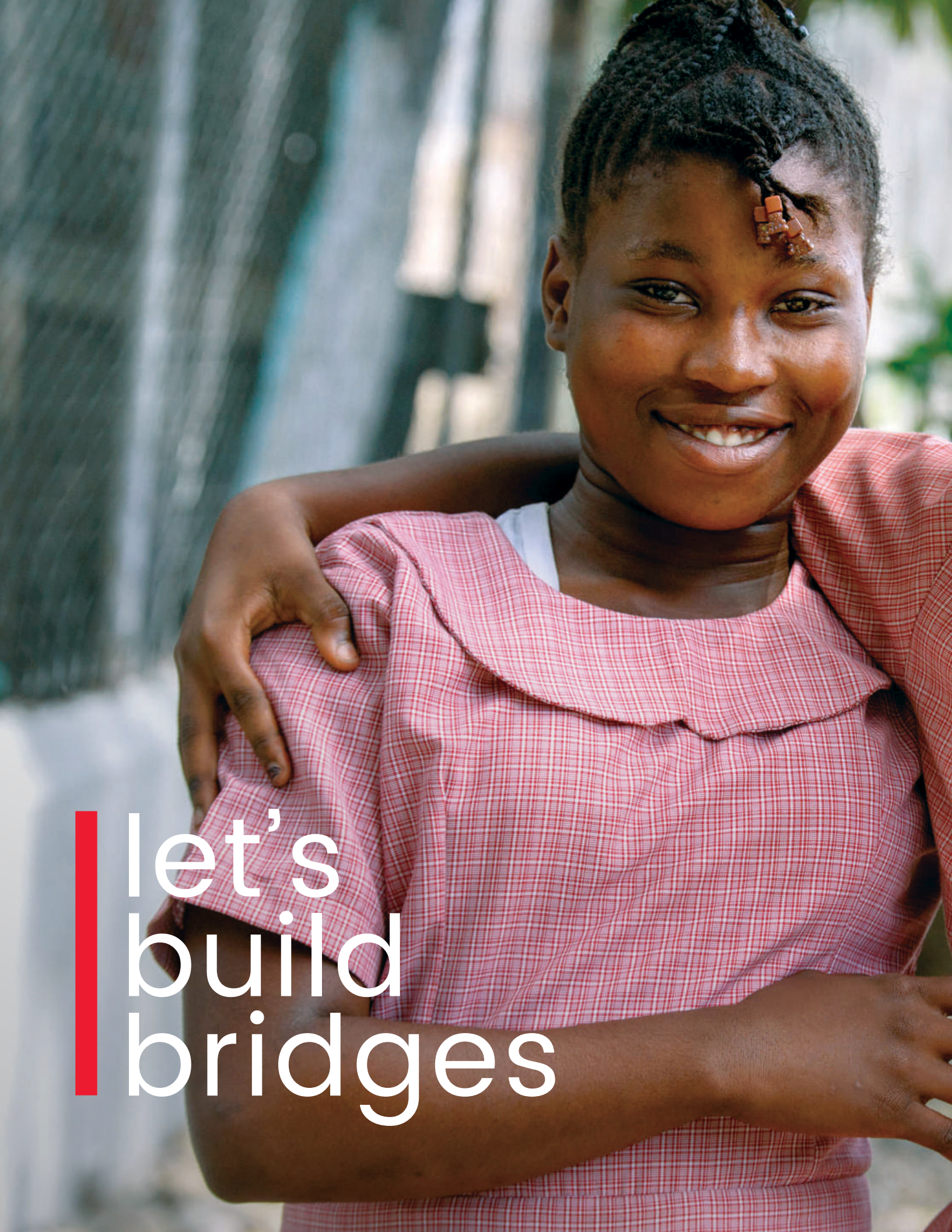
current stats		projects	
Total Projects	1,207	● Education	569
Total Investment	US\$34M	● Community Development	561
Lives Impacted	623,598	● Special Needs	77



I who we are

Our vision is to create a world where no one gets left behind. Over the last 14 years, we have completed 1,207 projects and supported 623,598 individuals. We have been able to do that thanks to the amazing loyalty of our customers, partners and staff. To all of them, we say thank you.

Focusing on the areas of special needs, education and community development, we work with our communities and partners to develop sustainable programmes. We are delighted to have invested over US\$34 million in Jamaica. And we're just getting started.



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I a promise kept

A daily three-hour commute to and from Kingston was what the parents of children with special needs from St. Thomas had to endure, just so their child could attend a school tailored towards their developmental and educational needs. Since opening the Lyssons Centre of Excellence, that journey is a thing of the past.

The only school of its kind in the parish for high school aged students with special needs, this state-of-the-art facility fulfilled the promise to invest in ten Centres of Excellence made in 2014 by our patron Denis O'Brien.

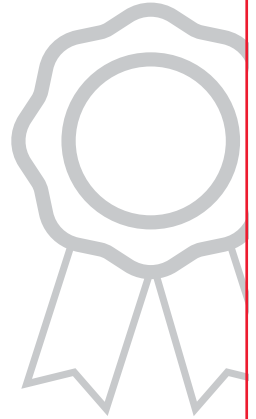
“This is such a relief, so many parents were distressed. This new facility will open doors for our students and we intend to use it to its full potential.”

Jacqueline Hendricks-Wilmot
Campus Coordinator
Lyssons Centre of Excellence

a win-win!

With 51 students enrolled and space for up to 80, the centre is preparing to offer even more support to the community, with plans to establish vocational training programmes. It's a win-win for people of St. Thomas!

Our other Centres of Excellence are: Genesis Academy, STEP Centre, Liberty Academy and Early Stimulation Programme in Kingston, Naz Children's Centre and Montego Bay Learning Centre in St. James, Mustard Seed Communities Jacob's Ladder in St. Ann, Port Maria Learning Centre in St. Mary and Early Stimulation Programme in Portland.





I creating special spaces

Students with intellectual and/or physical disabilities benefit immeasurably from being in the right learning environment. Our work with various partners to build special spaces has seen the students thrive.

In partnership with the Jamaican Association on Intellectual Disabilities (JAID) we were honoured to build a state-of-the-art Special Needs Unit at Seaforth Primary School in St. Thomas.

“Digicel Foundation has impacted us positively by 100%. The ambience of the unit and educational items provided have seen the children grasping knowledge easily.”

Althea Wignall

Acting Principal
Seaforth Primary School

four schools transformed

The school was renovated to include two new classrooms, three bathrooms and a play area.

Four other schools benefited from this investment with Hazard Primary School in Clarendon, Hope Valley Experimental School in St. Andrew, Duncan's Primary School in Trelawny and Ocho Rios Primary School in St. Ann all having their special education units transformed to meet their students' needs.



Digicel 5K Night Run 2017

Last year, 10,000 eager participants walked, ran and wheeled with us, helping to raise funds for five amazing special needs organisations.

thank you!



“The 5K brings awareness to special needs, and that in itself is priceless. Thank you Digicel Foundation for your continued support.”

Kathy Chang

*Jamaica Autism Support Association
5K Beneficiary*





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I ensuring a great start...

Early childhood and infant schools across the island have been operating without proper certification and below standards set out by the Early Childhood Commission (ECC).

Making sure that our children get the right start is vital, so in April 2017 we joined forces with the ECC to support early childhood institutions in meeting the 12 Operating Standards.

Two years later, more than 100 early childhood institutions have been certified, and even more basic and infant schools are working hard to be ready for certification.

“Standards matter; our babies need the best start possible and this is one giant and very important step in the right direction.”

Trisha Williams-Singh
Chairman
Early Childhood Commission

raising standards, raising smiles

Upper Rock Spring Infant School in Hanover and New Works Infant School in Westmoreland have now received their certification. Pratville Primary and Infant School in Manchester and Carisbrook Infant School in St. Elizabeth are next in line. While working to raise standards is important, the smiles on the little ones' faces make it even more worthwhile!





the making of geniuses...

In common with global indicators, girls in Jamaica are less likely to express interest in careers in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM).

We're changing that with our continued investment in science education by renovating science labs in high schools across the island.

Labs were retrofitted with equipment and learning tools. The schools also received furniture, interactive whiteboards and materials, all geared at improving their science programmes.

“Proper exposure to these subject areas and the right resources can lead to the birth of future inventors, scientists, app developers and other such innovative minds of the future.”

Sadpha Bennett

National Science Coordinator
Ministry of Education

■ upgraded and approved!

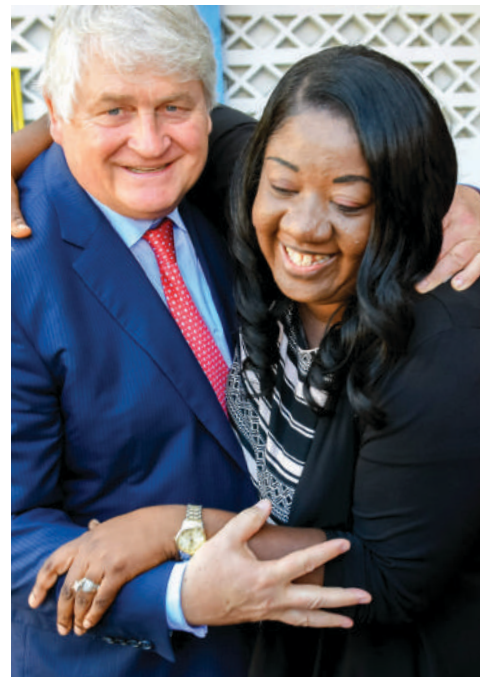
As a result of the upgrades, labs at Tacky High School in St. Mary, Buff Bay High School in Portland, BB Coke High School in St. Elizabeth and Green Island High School in Hanover are now equipped to Caribbean Examination Council (CXC) standards, in support of the Ministry of Education's new curriculum.





To express his gratitude for the honour of the Order of Jamaica, Chairman and founder of Digicel Group, Denis O'Brien and his family completed the renovation of three schools in Jamaica. They are Tivoli High School and St Michael's Primary in Kingston and Maud McLeod High in Westmoreland. Stopping in for a visit in early 2018, Denis, accompanied by Digicel's Chief Speed Officer and the world's fastest man, Usain Bolt, received a warm welcome from staff and students.





“To the students – what you take and learn from others, all of these things will set you on a great path for the future, a future filled with hope and promise with the help of education. I encourage every student to grasp every opportunity to grow, learn and develop from everything that comes their way.”

Denis O'Brien
Patron





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leaders in their communities...

Unemployment and lack of opportunities for young people from traditionally volatile communities are issues that plague our nation. To combat this, we are helping young people make big steps in social entrepreneurship teaming up with Comic Relief in the UK, the Queen's Young Leaders Programme (QYL) and the Royal Commonwealth Society, providers of a US\$1.2 million fund, to support this cause.

"I feel so positive. Most times all we need is the support of organisations like Digicel Foundation. Now we have it and I feel like we can do great things."

Daleon Salmon

*Ragga Roots Herbs and Tonics
QYL Recipient*

invest to inspire

The Queen's Young Leaders (QYL) Programme is focused on social enterprise and violence reduction, with grants from the fund administered to youth groups in volatile communities to set up businesses, generate employment and seek skills training - all in an effort to inspire and energise young people to become responsible, productive citizens.





helping others help themselves...

One woman is making a difference in the lives of many Portmore residents with special needs - by helping them to help themselves. She is Bridgette Johnson-Beckett, founder of the Portmore Self-Help Disability Organisation (PSDO) - the only organisation serving the special needs community in the rapidly growing municipality.

Bridgette and her team are all persons with special needs and, through their work, build partnerships with the wider community while advocating for the empowerment of persons with disabilities.

“Thanks to Digicel Foundation, we have been able to train and employ more people; now every inch of our expanded space is used up and we are able to do so much more!”

Bridgette Johnson-Beckett

Director

Portmore Self-Help Disability Organisation

labour of love

Digicel Foundation staff and volunteers pitched in to help PSDO members refurbish the premises, install wheelchair ramps and paint the facility.

As a result of the Foundation's donation of a container and funding for tools and equipment, the PSDO has branched out into creating cushions and pillows for the comfort of wheelchair users and other persons with disabilities.





I watering her roots...

Coming from an often overlooked community, Digicel Ambassador and Olympic champion, Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce knows the importance of honouring her roots. Waterhouse, where she was born and raised, has been plagued by violence for years and stigmatised as a result.

Even after moving out of the community, Shelly-Ann knew that she could not turn her back on it. She engaged Digicel Foundation to renovate a skills learning centre right in the middle of her hometown.

The centre offers learning and skills opportunities for residents, including training in baking and pastry-making, information technology and sewing.

“I am very committed to my community and church. It means a lot to be given this honour and legacy. I’m also very grateful to Digicel Foundation for this restoration of hope for the community,”

Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce
Digicel Ambassador

a plan for growth

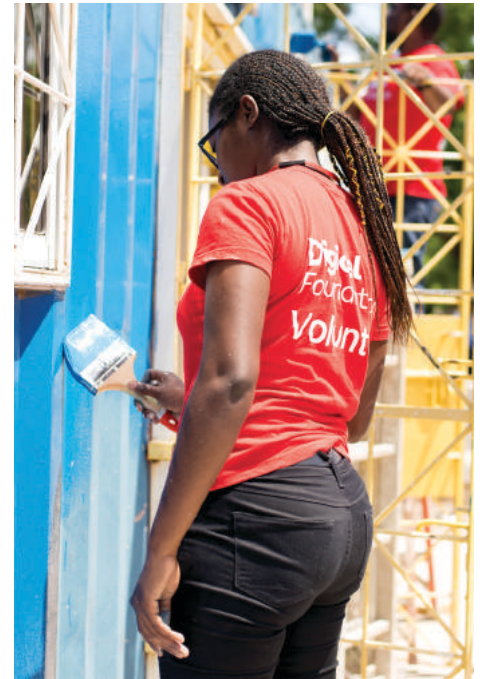
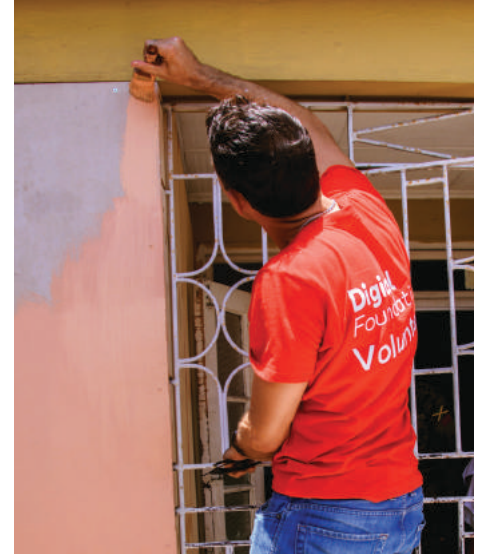
The upgrade included renovations to the existing building, bathrooms, tiling, installation of drywall partitions, painting, electrical works, the extension of the multi-purpose court for basketball and netball, and the erection of a perimeter fence.

We were proud to support the Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce Resource Centre which now benefits more than 400 young people from the community.



our awesome staff support system





“Volunteering allows me to give back to the less fortunate. I get to touch one heart and one need at a time.”

Jodian Mundle
Staff volunteer





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Report of the Independent Auditor on The Summary Financial Statements

To the Members of Digicel Foundation

The accompanying summary financial statements, which comprise the balance sheet as at 31 March 2018, and the statement of comprehensive income, statements of changes in equity and cash flows for the year then ended and related notes are derived from the audited financial statements of Digicel Foundation for the year ended 31 March 2018. We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on those financial statements in our report dated 16 October 2018. Those financial statements, and the summary financial statements, do not reflect the effects of events that occurred subsequent to the date of our report on those financial statements.

The summary financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by International Financial Reporting Standards. Reading the summary financial statements, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial statements of Digicel Foundation.

Management's Responsibility for the Summary Financial Statements

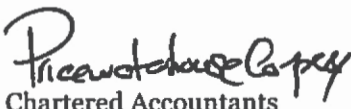
Management is responsible for the preparation of a summary of the audited financial statements in accordance with Practice Statement 2016 - 1, Summary Financial Statements, issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Jamaica.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the summary financial statements based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with International Standard on Auditing (ISA) 810, 'Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements'.

Opinion

In our opinion, the summary financial statements derived from the audited financial statements of Digicel Foundation for the year ended 31 March 2018 are consistent, in all material respects, with those financial statements, in accordance with Practice Statement 2016 -1, Summary Financial Statements, issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Jamaica.


Chartered Accountants
16 October 2018
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Statement of Comprehensive Income

Year ended 31 March 2018

(Expressed in United States dollars unless otherwise indicated)

	Note	2018 \$'000	2017 \$'000
Income			
Grants from Digicel (Jamaica) Limited		2,293	2,990
Grants from USAID		20	447
Grant from Comic Relief		201	34
Grants from UNICEF		95	45
Donations		2	29
Foreign exchange losses		(7)	(1)
Interest income		2	3
		<u>2,606</u>	<u>3,547</u>
Expenditure			
Projects and donations	3	2,194	2,938
Administration expenses	4	344	575
		<u>2,538</u>	<u>3,513</u>
Net Surplus			
Exchange differences on translating foreign balances		(7)	(17)
Total Comprehensive Income		<u>61</u>	<u>17</u>

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Balance Sheet

31 March 2018

(Expressed in United States dollars unless otherwise indicated)

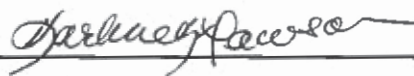
	Note	2018 \$'000	2017 \$'000
ASSETS			
Non-Current Asset			
Property, plant and equipment	6	2	7
Current Assets			
Withholding tax recoverable		15	14
Other receivables		1	83
Cash and cash equivalents	7	512	608
		<u>528</u>	<u>705</u>
Total Assets		<u>530</u>	<u>712</u>
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Equity			
Foreign exchange translation reserve		(146)	(139)
Accumulated surplus		321	253
		<u>175</u>	<u>114</u>
Current Liabilities			
Donations payable		269	244
Accounts payable and accrued charges	8	86	354
		<u>355</u>	<u>598</u>
Total Equity and Liabilities		<u>530</u>	<u>712</u>

Approved for issue by the Board of Directors on 16 October 2018 and signed on its behalf by:



Jean Lowrie-Chin

Chairman



Karlene Dawson

Executive Director/CEO

Digicel Foundation

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Statement of Changes in Equity

Year ended 31 March 2018

(Expressed in United States dollars unless otherwise indicated)

	Foreign Exchange Translation Reserve	Accumulated Surplus	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Balance at 31 March 2016	(122)	219	97
Net surplus	-	34	34
Other comprehensive income	(17)	-	(17)
Total comprehensive income	(17)	34	17
Balance at 31 March 2017	(139)	253	114
Net surplus	-	68	68
Other comprehensive income	(7)	-	(7)
Total comprehensive income	(7)	68	61
Balance at 31 March 2018	(146)	321	175

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Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended 31 March 2018

(Expressed in United States dollars unless otherwise indicated)

	Note	2018 \$'000	2017 \$'000
Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
Net surplus for the year		68	34
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation	6	5	5
Foreign exchange losses/(gains)		1	(27)
Interest income		(2)	(3)
		<u>72</u>	<u>9</u>
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Other receivable		82	(63)
Withholding tax recoverable		(1)	-
Donations payable		25	43
Accounts payable and accrued charges		(268)	271
Cash (used in)/generated from operations		<u>(90)</u>	<u>260</u>
Interest received		<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
Cash (used in)/provided by operating activities		<u>(88)</u>	<u>263</u>
(Decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		(88)	263
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		(8)	11
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of year		<u>608</u>	<u>334</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF THE YEAR	7	<u><u>512</u></u>	<u><u>608</u></u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements

31 March 2018

(Expressed in United States dollars unless otherwise indicated)

1. Identification and Principal Activities

The company is a not-for-profit organisation which was incorporated in Jamaica on 30 September 2004. The company is limited by guarantee, not having a share capital. The registered office of the company is located at 14 Ocean Boulevard, Kingston. The principal activity of the company comprises the distribution and utilisation of funds on a charitable basis for the purpose of building and developing communities across Jamaica and the region.

The company is mainly funded by Digicel (Jamaica) Limited, incorporated in Jamaica.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of preparation

The summary financial statements have been extracted from the full financial statements, and prepared in accordance with Practice Statement 2016-01 issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Jamaica. The full financial statements as at and for the year ended 31 March 2018 were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 16 October 2018. Those financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IFRS, and contain an explicit and unreserved statement of compliance with IFRS.

The summary financial statements do not include all the disclosures provided in the full financial statements and cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements. The full financial statements are available at the company's office.

The full financial statements have been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers who, in their report dated 16 October 2018, expressed an unmodified opinion in relation to those full financial statements.



A photograph of a child swinging happily on a red metal swing set. The child is wearing a blue and white striped shirt and tan pants. The swing set is enclosed in a chain-link fence. In the foreground, a person's arm is visible, holding onto a red horizontal bar. The background shows a grassy area and a blue sky with white clouds. The text "thank you!" is overlaid in the center in a large, white, sans-serif font.

**thank
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