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Evolved from the Global Disaster Relief and Sustainability Fund, which was established by Trevor Palmer and Christina Dodwell, and who were then joined by Vaughan Temby when it became clear to all three, that many relief agencies, international bodies and most governments place the interests of disabled people low down on their priority lists.

Following the horrendous effects of the huge tsunami that hit the coastlines of Asia on the 26 December 2004, and other disasters, both natural and man-made; many innocent people world-wide need support to survive, restart and adapt to life after these major disasters.

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Aims to:

- Create an effective and sustainable infrastructure, with long term social assistance for millions of disabled people.
- Promote access to education, employment, recreation, and independent living.
- Provide specialist equipment to promote and sustain the independence of disabled people.
- Work in partnership with National and International Government and non-governmental bodies.
- Provide assistance in establishing disability organisations and groups.
- Promote Equality as an essential human right that enables people to achieve inclusion in all aspects of life.

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Works by:

- Securing a financial commitment from individuals, businesses, and organisations to support our aims.
- Securing the supply of specialist equipment and personnel willing to donate time and expertise.
- Organising Benefit Events to generate income.

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Key Personnel:

- **Trevor Palmer**

Trevor is a full-time wheelchair user who runs his own business from Newport in South Wales. Trevor is a well known bag designer and expert in the manufacture of leather articles. This manufacturing process extends to supplying specialist accessories to wheelchair users around the world. In addition to being a committed humanitian, Trevor has worked with a number of disability organisations to promote the rights, inclusion and equality of disabled people. From 1981 to 1998 Trevor completed nine voluntary assignments for the British Executive Service Overseas. Trevor worked in countries such as Trinidad, Turkey, Zimbabwe and India, on enterprises which were designed to promote employment and sustainable economic development. Trevor also has interests in the Arts, and established the Azure Gallery and Studio in London during the 1980's. He established and ran the Disability Advisory Group at the Wales Millennium Centre in Cardiff and is a former director of Disability Wales.

- **Christina Dodwell**

Christina is the author of nine travel books, and is a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society. Christina has also worked in television and radio. Her first television film “Waghi River Journey” received a royal preview, and won three international film documentary awards. Christina’s radio work has spanned 20 years. Christina is presently Senior Attaché at the Consulate of Madagascar in London. In 1994, Christina founded the Dodwell Trust, of which she is presently Chairperson. The Trust works in the areas of Third World Health and Development. The team at the Dodwell Trust work closely with many international agencies, most notably, UNICEF, UNPFA, and Rotary International who have good collaborative links with all Government Departments in their areas of activity.

- **Vaughan Temby**

Vaughan volunteered his experience to the project soon after the Global Disaster and Relief and Sustainability Fund was set up. Vaughan has spent many years living, working and travelling overseas. Vaughan has worked in agriculture; as a Teacher in a Thai language school, and as a Sales Manager of a Hong Kong based Import Company. Vaughan has also been a keen worker in the disability sector, working at a leading Rehabilitation Centre, and as a Lifestyle worker for young disabled people. Vaughan currently works as Project and Service Manager for the Cornwall Disability Forum which aims to promote the full inclusion of disabled people in society.

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Status Operations and Donations:

- The project operates on a not for profit basis.
- Financial donations are required to maintain the work which has been started.
- In addition to financial help, donations and offers of specialist equipment and volunteers to further the work are welcomed.

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