

Hello All,

I just wanted to update you all on the Tonga Appeal that was launched 6 weeks ago, has finally closed. Together with the help of The Regional Council and Shalom College, the fundraising efforts for those affected in Tonga by the Volcanic Eruption and Tsunami, raised just shy of \$40 000 dollars. What a tremendous effort and extraordinary amount. This amount exceeded my expectations.

This went directly to my village of Matahau, where I was born. The funds were shared equally with Api'fo'ou Catholic College which is situated in the capital of Tonga. We have received so many messages from everyone back at my village and school with how thankful they are for even just thinking about them, let alone the money that was raised.

Words can't express my gratitude to everyone here at Shalom and the Bundaberg community. Thank you all for your generosity, love and prayers towards this Appeal. You guys have truly made a difference back home.

Very blessed to be a part of the Shalom community.

Kind Regards
Antonio Kaufusi