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HELPING VANUATU



The scenes of destruction caused by Cyclone Pam on the islands of Vanuatu will not easily be forgotten. Although the National Library and Archives survived untouched, the school libraries across the islands weren't so lucky.

As Chief Librarian and Archivist June Bela Naviti wrote to ALIA:

'We would like to see these libraries stand up again. We are building a collection of books to send to some school libraries which have been severely damaged by Cyclone Pam.

We are collecting children's books, reference books like encyclopedias, English dictionaries, French dictionaries, non-fiction books and school readers.'

ALIA contacted June, and the FAIR advocacy campaign has raised funds for the purchase of suitable books for Vanuatu's school libraries.

We're now talking with publishers about the book purchase and how best to get the books to Vanuatu. We'll keep you posted!

ON THE MOVE



The ALIA House team has bidden a fond farewell to two great State Managers recently, with Sally Murdoch moving on from this role in Tasmania and Jane Orbell-Smith stepping down in Queensland.

Sally has done a brilliant job in Tasmania and has really added to ALIA's positive reputation with Members and non-members alike.

Jane is retaining a number of other roles with ALIA, including Editor of the Health Libraries Australia newsletter.

We have also said goodbye to Education Manager Lisa Strickland, who has done so much to support the accreditation process for ALIA over the last few years.

Communications Coordinator Lauren O'Hara has resigned and has been replaced by Rosemarie John who joined us on 20 April.

We wish everyone the very best for their new ventures.