

A virtual trip down memory lane: accessing AusAID's old website

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Pallets for AusAid emergency aid supplies are prepared for delivery to cyclone ravaged Fiji (DFAT/Flickr/CC BY 2.0)

Do you miss AusAID? I must admit I do. That's why I was pretty chuffed to find out – through my friend [Dr Jonathan Schultz](#) – that it is now possible to access the old AusAID website through a [web archiving service](#).

All you need to do is go to this [website](#) and type AusAID's old web address – www.ausaid.gov.au – into the search engine. Then you'll be presented with the former Australian Aid program's website in all its former glory. From there you can find out about topics of interest between 2000 and 2012; or access *Engage*, the agencies' now defunct blog. And I must say AusAID's old web design sure beats [DFAT's current efforts](#).

I'm only starting to discover how it all works and what treasure is buried within. But one thing is for certain, there is a great deal of information still available for those interested in the (recent) history of Australian aid.

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