

Registered Charity Number: 1073255



Service of Hope

ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 5 April 2022

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Administrative information

Full name
Service of Hope

Other names
My Father's House (working name)

Charity number
1073255

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Service of Hope
Trustees' annual report
For the year ended 5 April 2022

The trustees are pleased to present their annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ending 5 April 2022.

Structure Governance & Management

The organisation was registered with the Charity Commission on 11 January 1999 under a declaration of trust dated 5 November 1998.

The trustees are required to meet at least twice a year. The trustees are generally responsible for the running of the trust with most of the day to day work completed by the chair of trustees and secretary. The other trustees support this where necessary.

Objects and activities

Service of Hope is a UK based trust that raises money to support work with vulnerable groups in the North East of Brazil. The charitable objects are:

- to further the religious and other charitable work of the Anglican Episcopal church in the territory covered by the diocese of North East Brazil as at 5 November 1998
- to relieve persons resident in the country of Brazil who are in conditions of need hardship or distress by reason of their social and economic circumstances

The charity's main sources of income come from regular donations from individuals, churches and religious groups from across the UK. The trustees have general powers to raise and receive funds and apply them to the objects of the Charity.

Currently, grants are given to support the work of a non-governmental project in Olinda, Brazil called "Casa de Meu Pai" (My Father's House). The project was founded by Ian and Simea Meldrum, Anglican vicars, who work with people who live in local deprived communities in Olinda, in the state of Pernambuco. Their work supports vulnerable children and families at risk. The Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO) is now primarily run by a team of workers, a group of non-executive directors and the President Ian Meldrum. Over the years it has moved from being based in a house, offering accommodation to boys at risk, to now being fully focused on delivering community programmes in locally deprived areas of the city. This is often done in partnership with other organisations and churches, and includes delivering a wide range of classes, holiday clubs, homework clubs, parental support and cooking classes and general social care support to families and children using community centres. The change of deliver has meant that the project is now able to work with and support more children and families in their work.

In practise the donations from individuals are given primarily to support the work of the "My Father's House" project, although it does also have the ability to offer Grants to other organisations fulfilling the objectives should the trustees choose. A small amount from donations goes towards the administration of Service of Hope. Currently, it has been decided that Service of Hope will continue to only support My Father's House, due to the limited funds that are being raised by the charity. Donors understand that administration costs incurred by the charity will be funded from gift aid reclaimed and any unrestricted donations.

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Objects and activities (continued)

Following from the Covid Pandemic in 2020-2021, My Father's House continued to deliver activities in a safe way, gradually increasing the number of individuals allowed in sessions, according to the Brazilian Covid guidelines. This year also saw some major flooding in Olinda, and so further food packages were given out by the charity to the communities they are working with.

Summary of the main activities

£26,296 has been donated to Service of Hope during this year. This has included donations from individuals, churches, and other religious organisations supporting the work. Service of Hope continues to get regular donations through these methods, which include regular monthly donors, but has seen a decrease in the regular giving this financial year. This may be due to the aftermath of Covid-19 Pandemic from individuals not being able to afford to give regularly anymore. We are also aware that many of our supporters are elderly and may have been affected by the Pandemic negatively.

During 2021-2022 recruiting Trustees to support this work still proves difficult. The difficulties of this are connected with the primary support for the work coming from elderly people, who are either too old to support practically or lack the experience of working digitally that is required. The biggest current risk to the charity acknowledged by the Trustees is currently its succession and elder supporters and deceased donors. The trustees continue to maintain conversations with My Father's House and review the situation regularly, both from the perspective of My Father's House and Service of Hope. This year, this included an in person meeting with Ian Meldrum in the UK where the future plans of the project were discussed. The trustees continue to review this situation and to seek out potential Directors. The Sheffield based social enterprise A Mind Apart, has had Service of Hope as their supported charity for many years. Trustees have discussed the possibility of working with A Mind Apart to bring in new trustees, using their contacts and appealing to those that work with A Mind Apart, as a clear connection to the work. This will be explored further during 2022-2023.

More information about the work we support can be found at Service of Hope's new website:

www.serviceofhope.org

In planning our activities, the trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and have considered the Charity Commission guidance on working internationally.

Financial summary

The charity received £26,296 in donations towards the work of the charity. £25,816 of these donations have been treated as restricted donations, specifically for the My Father's House project in Olinda. The charity also received £1,218 from gift aid claims during this period..

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Reserves policy

Free reserves at 5 April 2022 were £5,387 (2021: £5,076).

The trustees consider that, due to the grant-making nature of the charity, that free reserves should be sufficient to cover any outstanding liabilities at the year end. Any reserves after liabilities will be put towards grants given for the following year.

Future Plans – 2022-2023

The trustees continue to review the charity and work of My Father's House at intervals, and continue to prioritise seeking new Trustees to support with the succession of the charity. We will continue to engage directly with My Father's House Management in Brazil via video conferencing and other digital means as well as in person where possible.

Donations have dropped during 2021-2022, and the Trustees will continue to monitor the situation accordingly. The Trustees are aware of the need to increase the profile of the work to attract new donors and new trustees, and will look at ways to do this during 2022-2023. My Father's House will continue to receive a monthly grant of £2,200, but it has been agreed that this will be reviewed periodically and may change according to Service of Hope's financial situation throughout the year.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above on 10/01/2023

Signed on behalf of the trustees:



Jodie Marshall
Chair

Independent Examiner's report to the trustees of Service of Hope ("the Charity")

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 5 April 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

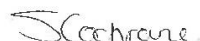
I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Signed:

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Date: 12/01/2023

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Receipts & payments account For the year ended 5 April 2022

	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Receipts				
Donations				
Donations from individuals	480	25,816	26,296	29,250
Gift Aid	1,218	-	1,218	2,936
Total receipts	1,698	25,816	27,514	32,186
Payments				
Grants				
My Father's House	-	26,400	26,400	25,850
Administration costs				
Independent examination	420	-	420	420
Other administrative expenses	967	-	967	747
Total payments	1,387	26,400	27,787	27,017
Net receipts/(payments)	311	(584)	(273)	5,169
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	311	(584)	(273)	5,169
Cash funds at the start of the year	5,076	4,164	9,240	4,071
Cash funds at end of the year	5,387	3,580	8,967	9,240

In 2021 £28,720 of receipts were restricted and £3,466 were unrestricted. £25,850 of payments were restricted and £1,167 were unrestricted.

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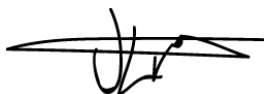
Statement of assets and liabilities

As at 5 April 2022

	2022 £	2021 £
Cash assets		
Balances at bank:		
Current account	8,967	9,240
	<u>8,967</u>	<u>9,240</u>
Other assets		
Gift aid reclaimable	1,148	1,218
	<u>1,148</u>	<u>1,218</u>
Liabilities		
Trade creditors	-	206
Accountancy and independent examination fee	444	420
	<u>444</u>	<u>626</u>

Approved by the Trustees on 10/01/2023

Signed on behalf of the trustees by:



Jodie Marshall: Chair

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Notes to the accounts

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1 Accounting policies

Receipts & payments account

Receipts and payments accounts are statements that summarise the movement of cash into and out of the charity during the financial year. In this context "cash" includes cash equivalents, for example, bank accounts where cash can be readily withdrawn to pay for debts as they become due.

Funds

General funds are donations and other income receivable or generated for the objects of the organisation without further specified purpose.

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor.

2 Restricted funds

	Funds b/fwd	Income	Expenditure	Funds c/fwd
	£	£	£	£
My Father's House	4,164	25,816	(26,400)	3,580
	4,164	25,816	(26,400)	3,580

My Father's House Funds specifically given to be passed on to My Father's House, rather than the wider work of the charity.

Tractor appeal Funds specifically given to be passed to My Father's House in relation to the tractor.

<i>Prior year</i>	Funds b/fwd	Income	Expenditure	Funds c/fwd
	£	£	£	£
My Father's House	1,144	28,720	(25,700)	4,164
Tractor appeal	150	-	(150)	-
	1,294	28,720	(25,850)	4,164

3 Related party transactions

No trustees received expenses during the period (2021: No trustees). No other remuneration or benefits were received by the trustees in this period.