

FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

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Activities

Objects: THE RELIEF OF NEED, SICKNESS AND DISTRESS IN AFRICA BY THE PROVISION OF FINANCIAL AND MATERIAL ASSISTANCE

Activities: Footsteps International aims to put into practice Jesus Christ's command that we should Love God and our neighbour as ourselves. We are committed to helping some of the world's poorest and most needy people. Most of our work is in Kenya where we care for and rehabilitate street children, provide homes for orphaned and abandoned children and support school children in the slums.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** Education/training, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Overseas Aid/famine Relief, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NOT DEFINED. IN PRACTICE WORLDWIDE
- Kenya

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£278,996	£280,189	-	-
2024-12-31	£256,360	£296,028	-	-
2023-12-31	£313,120	£269,743	-	-
2022-12-31	£369,338	£345,144	-	-
2021-12-31	£256,392	£246,127	-	-
2020-12-31	£325,906	£314,666	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
MARTIN HENRY PRINT	Chair	2019-06-08
Alison Wendy Print		2022-07-30
Barrie Francis		2019-06-08
Benjamin James Douglas Gardner		2022-07-30
Paul Andrew Robinson		2019-06-08

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Accounts



Trustees' Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2025



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About Footsteps International

In Kenya, an estimated 250,000 children live on the streets. A further 2.6 million have lost one or both parents, and more than 2 million children call a slum their home. Each of these children faces profound disadvantage, yet each carries hopes, dreams, and aspirations for a better future.

The scale of need is overwhelming, and we cannot help every child. However, by working through trusted Christian partners in Kenya—and with the prayerful and financial support of like-minded individuals and organisations—we are able to transform the lives of some. Our commitment is not short-term intervention, but sustained support, walking alongside each child to significantly improve their circumstances and equip them for independence.

Footsteps International is run by Christians committed to putting faith into action. They are all unpaid volunteers who give generously of their time, using their own holidays and travelling at their own expense to visit Kenya. Through these visits, they witness first-hand the transformation taking place and ensure that all funds are used responsibly and in accordance with our mission.

Footsteps International: 2025 in figures



Where we are making a difference



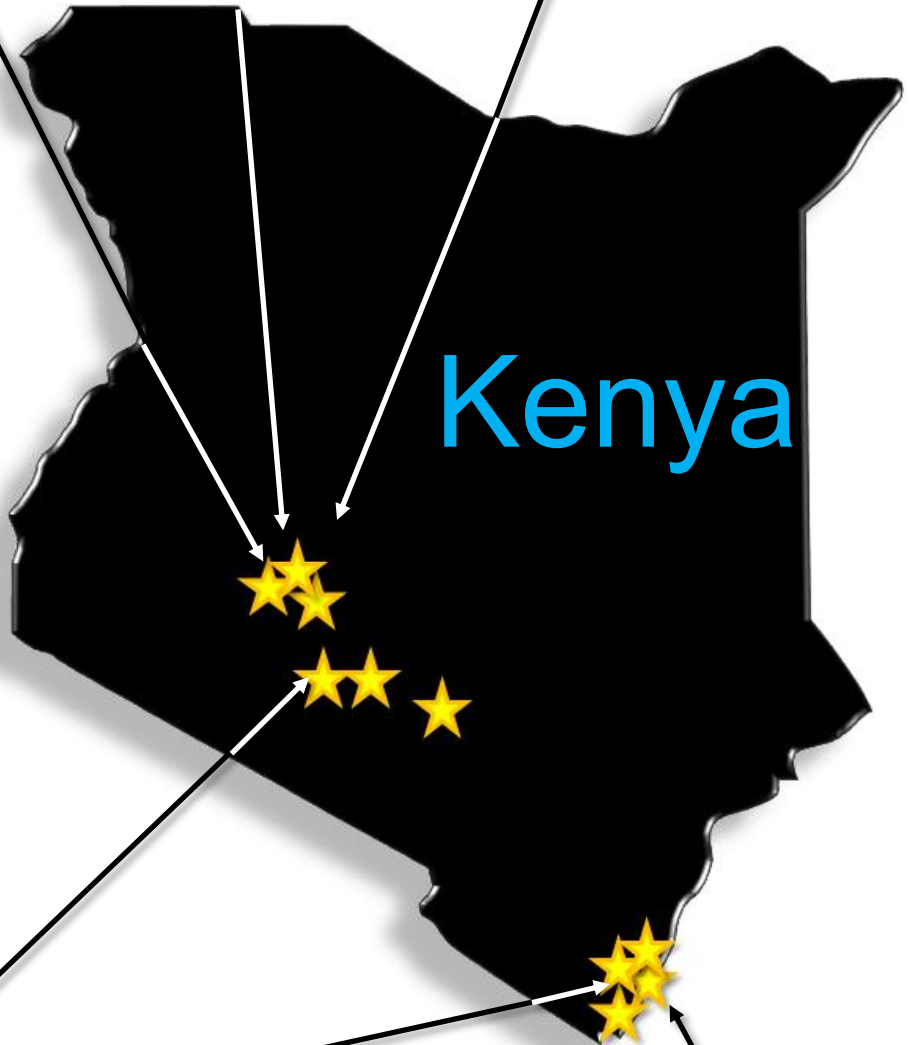
The Sunshine Centre in Naivasha is where we rescue and rehabilitate street boys



The Naivasha Technical Training Institute provides the opportunity for students (many from poor families) to learn a trade that will make them financially secure.



We support vulnerable families and those living with disabilities through our Sunshine UV programme.



We provide free school meals for 250 children who live in the Kibera and the kwa Reuben slums in Nairobi.



Through our Future Focus programme we fund employment-focussed further education and training courses for orphaned and abandoned young people.



We fund foster care for orphaned and abandoned children in Timbwani village, Mombasa

Project reports

Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre, Naivasha, Kenya

In liaison with the government children's department, we gave places to 16 new street boys in January 2025, bringing the total we care for at the Sunshine Centre to 147.

To maintain their link to their families and communities, we re-connected the boys with their families during school holidays, where it is safe and possible to do so. Parents or guardians were able to visit the boys at the Sunshine Centre.

We provided the boys with a safe place to stay, nutritious food, love, psychological and emotional support, and funded fees to get them back into school.

We supported boys through higher education and vocational training until they were able to live independently.

Background

In February 2004, founding trustees Martin and Mary Print met around fifty street boys in Naivasha, Kenya, who survived by scavenging food and sniffing glue; they were frequently in trouble with the police. Working with Rev. Simon Kinyanjui, Director of Naivasha Polytechnic, Footsteps committed to help them.

Footsteps immediately launched a feeding programme, and, by June 2004, had built temporary dormitories and a dining hall, welcoming in fifty street boys. We subsequently constructed permanent facilities on a new site and registered the Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre as an NGO in Kenya.

Over 400 boys have passed through our care, and are now working in a range of jobs such as tailors, labourers, welders, and business owners.

In recent years, Footsteps has focused on supporting as many boys as capacity



STREET BOYS

Economic hardship in Kenya and family breakdown drives boys to the streets.

At our Sunshine Centre in Naivasha, we provide them with a warm bed, nutritious food, education, and the opportunity to fulfil their dreams.

allows, while minimising operating costs, increasing local income, and lowering environmental impact.

The Centre runs a small farm that supplies fresh vegetables and sells surplus locally.

Rainwater harvesting systems ensure

year-round water supplies, and a partnership with Purefresh generates rental and water-sale income for the Centre.

In 2015, Footsteps bought South View Farm, three acres of farmland held in trust to support the Centre.

Progress in 2025

There are still many families living in extreme poverty in Kenya, and, with little government support, boys continue to go to the streets to try to survive.

In January, we offered 16 new street boys a home at the Sunshine Centre. Once they had settled, we enrolled them into the local government comprehensive (primary) school.

The 71 primary school age boys are cared for at the Sunshine Centre by twenty-five staff members, including a social worker, and a part-time chaplain. The remainder attend boarding secondary schools and further education and training institutes.

In 2025 we supported 147 former street boys: 71 attended the local government comprehensive (primary), 35 in high schools, 16 were enrolled on college courses, 14 were taking vocational training courses, and 5 were at university. 4 were waiting to take courses.



Rescued from the streets, the boys find safety, love, nutritious food and clean clothes at the Sunshine Centre in Naivasha, Kenya.



Former street boy Joseph Chege is in year 2 of his Statistics and IT degree course

At the end of the third term, boys in the exam years took the Kenya national exams (KJPEA and KJSEA). While some boys excelled, others showed they are more orientated to practical training rather than an academic future.

One of the year's highlights was February's one-night camp for the boys on the shores of Lake Elementaita.



Sunshine Centre staff member Kamau with Sunshine Boys excited to be camping at Lake Elementaita.

The boys enjoyed putting up the tents, singing round the camp fire, and a walk around the shores of the lake viewing Kenya's wonderful wildlife.

Footsteps International trustees travelled to Kenya in March, June and October, spending time with the Sunshine

Centre staff and boys, and visiting families and homes the boys come from.

Many of the former street boys who move on from our care stay in touch with our staff, and we enjoy hearing how they are getting on.

During their June visit, trustees visited Amos Kimani who now runs a household goods shop in Gilgil. He is married and has a daughter, who, he told us with great pride, he can afford to send to school.



Amos Kimani was one of the first street boys to be admitted to the Sunshine Centre. Today he is a successful businessman able to care for his wife and young daughter.

The Kenya government has published The National Care Reform Strategy for Children in Kenya that sets out policies aimed at reducing institutional care for children, and strengthening care within the biological family.

Our team at the Sunshine Centre is working closely with local children's services to assess how this policy will work in practice when it comes fully into force in 2032.

Sunshine UV Outreach programme

In 2025, we expanded the programme to support more children living with disabilities, and assisted ultra-vulnerable individuals and families by providing monthly food packages and paying education and training costs.

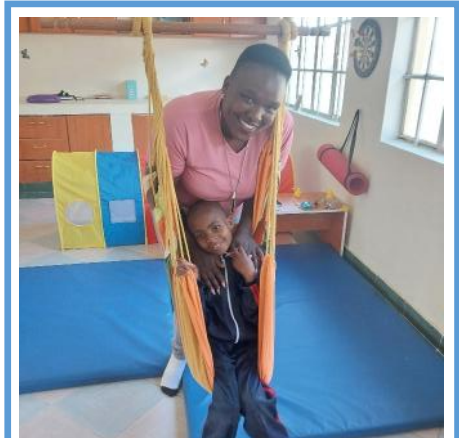
Background

We started the Sunshine Ultra-vulnerable (SUV) Outreach programme in 2021 to support families in the Naivasha area who were suffering extreme hardship as a result of the Covid pandemic.

When the pandemic ended, we continued to support some of these families, expanded the programme to include several extremely disadvantaged young people who needed educational support, and more recently extended the programme to help to children living with disabilities.

Progress in 2025

In 2025, we paid special need school fees for 5 children living with disabilities. The positive impact of doing this was immediate and obvious: the children started to develop new physical and social skills, and the mothers (mostly single-parents) were freed to be able to get extra work and to care for other children.



Our Disability Care Worker Irene Wanjiku is happy with the progress Levis - who has autism and is non-verbal - is making at Pangani Special Needs School, Nakuru.

Our Disability Care Worker Irene Wanjiku arranged school enrolment for these children, and also provided home-based support for a further 4 children and 5 adults living with disabilities.

We continued our support of 6 ultra-vulnerable families, donating monthly food packages and paying education costs to prevent the children dropping out of school and migrating onto the streets.



Because her disabled son Levis is now in boarding school, his mother Eunice can run her small business without the stress of leaving him locked at home for his own safety.

During their visits in February and June, Footsteps trustees visited several of the disabled children at their schools to check on their progress.

It was clear that, once the children had settled into their new environment, they were more engaged, had better social skills, and were more confident, clearly benefiting significantly from structured learning and regular physiotherapy.

During their October visit, trustees met some of the mothers. All were extremely grateful that we had stepped in to help their children, and one of the mothers (Eunice, the mother of Levis Githaiga) said that when her son returns home during school holidays, his improved behaviour and communication means that she can cope far more effectively.

In addition to our support of families living with disability, we assisted 6 very poor families by funding pre-primary and



Soon after Anne Njeri began her course, her carer passed away. Footsteps stepped in to support her, enabling her to continue training as an electrician and restoring her hope for the future

primary education for a total of 10 children.

We funded secondary education for one boy from a very poor family, and vocational training courses for 4 young adults whose families are unable to support them. We also funded a university course for Emmanuel Mutiso, the brother of two of the boys we care for at the Sunshine Centre.

Naivasha Technical Training Institute (NTTI), Kenya

In 2025 we helped over 450 young people access affordable vocational training at NTTI. Many come from poor and disadvantaged families, and vocational training gives them the practical skills and qualifications they need to find paid employment.

Background

The Naivasha Polytechnic (now named the Naivasha Technical Training Institute) was established in 1986 to provide vocational training for young people who

come from poor families. Footsteps has provided financial support to NTTI since 2002 when other overseas donors withdrew their support.

Today, NTTI offers vocational courses in crafts such as welding, motor vehicle mechanics, plumbing, hospitality, IT, and hairdressing and beauty.

Over recent years, our strategy has been to increase local income generation and reduce dependency on external funding.

Progress in 2025

Student enrolment was 471, an increase on last year, and above budget for this year. In addition, over 300 students took short computer training courses.

A scheme to provide training courses for a local flower farm started during the year, with 62 trainees attending a range of courses.



Trainees at the NTTI Food and Beverage Centre prepare hotel quality food once a week for staff and visitors, gaining practical experience of serving real customers

During their October visit, trustees toured the training workshops to meet and talk to the trainees who were grateful to be able to access inexpensive courses.

The visit included lunch served by the trainees in the recently completed Food and Beverage centre which was excellent in both quality and service.

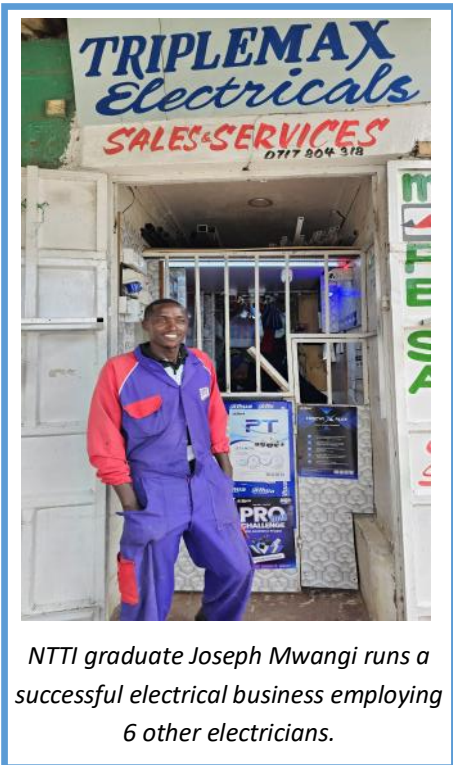
After serving NTTI for 40 years, Rev Simon Kinyanjui stepped down as Director and was given a magnificent send-off attended by over 1,000 guests.

His position has been taken by Peter Gachoka who has served as the Accountant at NTTI since 1997. Footsteps will

continue to work with him to ensure the continued success of the polytechnic in its mission to provide affordable training to young people from poor families.

During their October visit, trustees visited 7 former trainees of NTTI in their workplaces to find out how they had benefitted from the training they had received.

The visits were extremely encouraging. The young people had all found work and were earning a living, and most now had families they were able to support.



NTTI graduate Joseph Mwangi runs a successful electrical business employing 6 other electricians.

Joseph Kimani graduated in 2016 and is married and has three children. He now runs an electrical business in Naivasha which is very busy, with a constant flow of orders. His work includes electrical fencing, automatic gates, CCTV systems, solar panel installations, and standard electrical work.

He employs six other electricians and regularly takes students on attachment from NTTI — giving back to the institution that trained him.

Tumaini: Hope for orphaned and abandoned children in Mombasa Kenya

In 2025, we supported 15 orphaned and abandoned children, helping them stay healthy and enabling them to enjoy normal family life.

Background

Tumaini was constructed in 2003 as a home for orphaned and abandoned children; at the same time a school was built on the same site to serve the local community.

The land was purchased in October 2002 and is owned by the Footsteps International Orphanage Trust. Construction was funded jointly by Footsteps International and Education for Life; the home and a school complex opened on 18th February 2004.

The site has developed over subsequent years and now comprises:

- Accommodation for orphaned, abandoned and at-risk children;
- A kindergarten, primary school, secondary school and administrative offices (operated by Education for Life);
- Stepping Stones – a ‘halfway house’ which provides a temporary home for some of the older children leaving the Tumaini Children’s home.

We also support three families of children who are cared for by foster parents in a family setting. In response to Kenya government policy and recognised good practice, our long-term aim is place all the orphaned and abandoned children into foster care.

Progress in 2025

Our house parents Charles and Mary Osaleh cared for seven orphaned and abandoned children at Tumaini. Eight others, who have now completed school are either on further education and training courses or are working, visit

periodically as Tumaini is their only home.

Trustees Martin and Wend Print visited in February and October, finding the children well.

In October, the young people from the



In October, trustees visited Fort Jesus with the Tumaini youngsters to learn some of Mombasa’s complex history

Tumaini Children’s Home helped organise a visit to Fort Jesus - a World Heritage Site that reveals the story of the influence of Oman, Portugal and Britain on Mombasa’s historic port. The visit was both educational and great fun.

We supported a further 6 orphaned and abandoned children who are fostered in the village near the children’s home: three cared for by Lucy Shanga, and three by village elder Njagi and his wife



Lucy Shanga and her husband Joseph with foster children and their friends from the village.

Constance.

Martin and Wendy Print visited both foster families in February and June. The children are all being well looked after. Lucy Shanga informed us that the twins

she fosters have an older sister who will have to leave the children's home she is currently living in. Lucy is waiting for the children's court to give her permission to take the girl in to her home to be with her twin sisters.

Future Focus

In 2025, we helped 15 disadvantaged young people take a variety of employment-focussed vocational and higher education courses.

Background

As orphaned and abandoned children complete school and reach the age where they leave home, we continue to care for them by placing them on appropriate further education and training courses. The courses are focussed on providing each young person with the skills to become an independent, wage-earning adult.

The Future Focus programme was set up in 2021; it is administered by our partners Education for Life who operate the Tumaini primary and secondary schools, and oversee our Tumaini Children's Home near Mombasa.

Progress in 2025

We funded education and living costs for 15 young people to take a wide range of courses:

Benard Okumu (mechanical engineering),



Elizabeth Ketsula (pictured with Wendy Print) is excelling in her Medical Laboratory Science degree course at the Technical University of Mombasa

Naomi Munyoki (health records and IT), Norah Ayuma (hairdressing and beauty therapy), Purity Nyangweso (Food and Beverage), David Mwangi (automotive engineering), Brillianne Mmbone (hairdressing and beauty therapy), Mark Wanjala (Community Health Nursing), Vincent Magani (wildlife conservation), Elizabeth Ketsula (Medical Laboratory Science).



James Muma completed his course at NITA in Mombasa and now works to keep the Tumaini schools looking smart.

The following Future Focus students completed their courses during the year:

Caroline Munyoki (journalism and mass communication), Mika Onyango (automotive engineering), James Mutiso (electrical installation), James Muema (painting and decorating), Kevin Akweyu (electrical), Joshu Kitela (electrical). Most are now in work.

Education support at Tumaini schools

In 2025, we provided bursaries for 35 primary children and 15 secondary children, and funded free school lunches for 600 children one week each month.

Background

We worked with our partners Education for Life to build the Tumaini primary School and Tumaini Children's Home which both opened in 2004. Since then,



600 children enjoy a free school meal each day at Tumaini School, Mombasa, part-funded by Footsteps International.

we have sponsored specific students from poor families and supported the free school lunches programme.

Progress in 2025

The costs of basic foods in Kenya rose around 7% during the year, causing continued hardship for low income families who already struggle to pay school fees.

We provided bursaries to 35 primary school pupils and 15 secondary school students, helping children from disadvantaged families remain in education.

We also funded free school lunches for 600 children one week each month, ensuring that the children received at least one nutritious meal a day.

Trustees Martin and Wendy Print visited the school in both February and October, meeting the children, and the staff who work hard to teach and care for them.

Church on the Rock School, Nairobi

In 2025, we boosted the health and education of 220 children in Nairobi's kwa Reuben slum by providing free school meals, and installing solar power with help from Rotary UK.

Background

Church on the Rock School is a private school situated in the kwa Reuben slum in Nairobi, occupying a tiny plot sandwiched

between slum dwellings.

Footsteps International forged links with the school in 2005 when we started funding school meals one day each week. We increased this over several years so that we now provide sufficient funds for each child to have a nutritious free school meal every school day.

As a result, the children's health has improved which, in turn help has helped improve attendance and academic results.

Over recent years, we have also been able to upgrade classrooms and replace desks and books.



Church on the Rock school students benefitted from daily free lunches funded by Footsteps.

Progress in 2025

We funded free lunches for the 211 children in classes ranging from pre-primary to Grade 7.

In January, the school installed solar electricity generation and two computers with the help of a grant from Rotary UK and Footsteps. The system provided light for the classrooms and power for the school's first ever computers.



Solar power brings light and access to computer learning at Church on the Rock School, Nairobi

School directors Bernard and Ruth Ndeti were delighted: "Solar power is one of the best things that has happened at our school. For the first time, our classrooms have light, and our learners have access to the computers they need to meet the new curriculum."

Trustees visited the school in February, June and October, and saw the children looking healthy and enjoying their school lunches.

During their June visit, the trustees presented two lessons, comparing life and school in UK with that in Kenya.



Church on the Rock school children compared their lives and school with children in UK.

Imani pre-school, Kibera, Nairobi

Background

In 2012, Footsteps trustees established a connection with a nursery school in the Kibera slum, a large informal settlement in Nairobi.

The Imani pre-school is run by Peter Katei (an employee of Kenya Wildlife Service) and his wife Lucy on a plot of land on which Peter's house once stood.

The school provides pre-school education for 45 children who live near the school in the Kibera slum.



Imani school children greet the arrival of a delivery of beans, maize and rice for their free lunches.

Progress in 2025

We continued to support the school by providing funds to buy beans, maize, rice, charcoal and firewood which provided the children with a nutritious meal each school day.

We also provided pocket money to help the teachers survive the school holidays, a time when they have no income as parents only pay school fees in the term time.

During their visit in February, trustees Martin and Wendy Print accompanied the children and staff on an educational visit to Nairobi National Park. The children enjoyed seeing a range of animals including crocodiles and lions, and ate a picnic lunch in the company of a group of monkeys.



The Imani School children were very excited to see the wildlife in Nairobi National Park

Footsteps trustees also visited the school in June and October, enjoying hearing the children's singing and reciting their numbers.

Making a difference together

Kenya Marafun: "More fun...less run" in Hell's Gate National Park on 21st June as 240 participants raised over £5,000.



1 km walk through beautiful scenery...



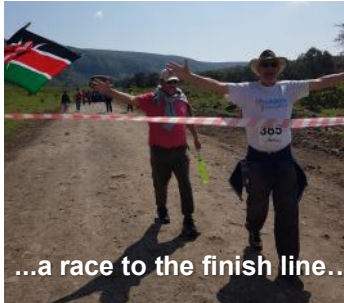
Kenya Wildlife Service flag off the race...



...Rock climbing at Fisher's Tower...



...a run (or walk) past giraffes and zebras...



...a race to the finish line...



...trophies



...and a swim in the geothermal spa

Street to Peak: Sponsored ascent of 9,000 foot Mt Longonot on 18th October raised nearly £2,000...



What your help means to us...

Throughout the year we received many reports, letters, emails and WhatsApp messages from those whose lives have been transformed with the generous help of our supporters. Here is a small selection we found very encouraging:



Amos Kimani came to the Sunshine Centre as a street boy in 2005, and we cared for him for 11 years. Today he runs a household goods shop in Gilgil.

"I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart. You took me from the street, you gave me shelter, you educated me, you provided me with all my basic needs. I did not lack anything. May God bless you.

You made me who I am - a father with a daughter, a businessman with a small shop that gives me a small income to cater for my family - it's because of your effort and sacrifice. I love you so much."



Elizabeth Ketsula is studying for a Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Science at the Technical University of Mombasa.

"I am really grateful for your support. You have been my pillar during this entire time and I do not take it for granted, You gave me a once in a lifetime opportunity for me to further my studies and bring out my best.

I appreciate your support each day and all I want to do is make you proud, words alone can't express how I feel.

This is an exciting journey, and I am honoured to have you in it. Thank you so much and may God bless you and keep you. "



Former street boy Kelvin Otieno came to the Sunshine Centre in 2007. Today he is a successful businessman married to Mary.

"I want to sincerely thank you for everything you did for me. You didn't just offer me a home — you gave me a foundation built on love, discipline, and faith. Your spiritual guidance taught me to walk with God, to believe in myself, and to face life with strength and hope.

I am also deeply grateful for your support in my education. Your sacrifices and sponsorship opened doors that changed my life forever. Because of you, I was able to learn, grow, and become someone I can be proud of today."



Financial summary

The full results and financial position for the year are shown in the financial statements (page 17 onwards).

Our income in 2025 was £277,829 (£256,360 in 2024). Expenditure to support our projects in 2025 was £278,608 (£294,486 in 2024). Administrative costs were less than 1% of expenditure.

60% of our expenditure was to provide a home, education and care for street boys at the Sunshine Centre and orphaned and abandoned children in Mombasa.

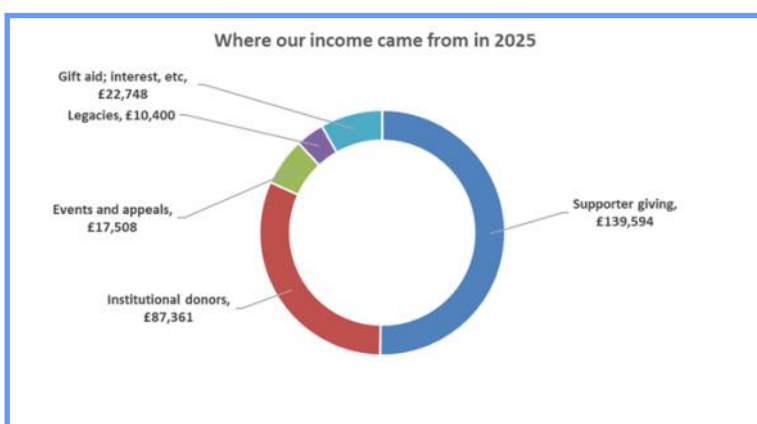
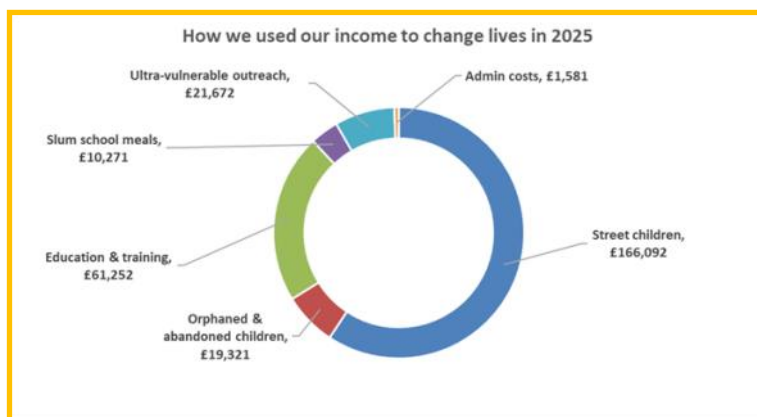
26% of our expenditure was in support of education and training for deprived youngsters. The balance of our charitable expenditure was on free school meals and infrastructure for schools in the slums of Nairobi, and outreach to ultra-vulnerable children and families.

50% of our income came from individual donors, including 150 who gave generously through monthly standing orders. 32% of our income came from institutional donors including grant-making trusts and Rotary clubs. 10% came from organised events, appeals, and legacies, and gift aid contributed 8%.

The currency exchange rate in January was 156 Kenya shillings to the GB pound, increased to 175 in September before dropping back to 170 at the end of the year.

Periods when the exchange rates is favourable reduce the cost of our payments to our projects, but tend to result in higher inflation in Kenya at a later date. There were significant tax rises in Kenya which impacted the poorer people significantly and resulted in several outbreaks of rioting in Nairobi.

We are very grateful to the hundreds of donors who made our work possible, many of whom wish to remain anonymous. We also thank UK-based charity Project Possible for their direct financial support for the Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre.



Boniface ('Bonnie') Maina lived on the streets for 5 years before he came to the Sunshine Centre in 2007. Today he works as a steel-fixer on construction sites, a skilled trade that enables him to care for his wife, Mary, and their two children.

Future plans

Footsteps undertakes long-term development projects to transform the lives of disadvantaged children and adults.

We expect Kenya to continue to suffer from the effects of high taxes and inflation in 2026. This will cause hardship for the poor and disadvantaged, and increase the number of young people unable to afford education; more boys are likely to migrate to the streets.

In the light of this, our main plans for 2026 are as follows:

Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre:

We will admit 8 new street boys in 2025, bringing the total to 149. We will continue to provide them with education at school, college, university or technical training college.

We will continue to farm land at the Sunshine Centre and South View Farm to provide fresh vegetables for the boys.

Sales from the Sunshine Springs borehole will provide income to the project, and the management team in Kenya will seek opportunities for in-country funding.

Sunshine Ultra-Vulnerable Outreach programme:

We will split this programme into two

sections. Under the Sunshine Ultra vulnerable Outreach Programme, we will provide vital help to 7 extremely impoverished families in the form of regular food parcels and education support for children, minimising the risk of the children migrating to the streets.

We will also provide education support for 9 needy students (7 at polytechnic, 1 at university, and 1 student secondary school).

Under the Sunshine Disability Programme, we will fund education places for 10 children living with disabilities, and provide home-based support for a further 4 children and 5 adults. We will fund the salary, consumables and transport costs of a disability support care worker to provide care and manage the programme.

Tumaini:

We will care for 15 orphaned and abandoned children at the Tumaini Children's Home and with foster families in the community.

Naivasha Technical Training

Institute:

Our continued financial support will help 450 vocational trainees access affordable training.

We will seek funds for replacement tools and capital projects that increase NTTI's ability to provide courses that meet the needs of Kenya's modernising economy.

In the long-term, our aim remains to work together with the NTTI management team to find ways to increase local income and reduce dependency on external donors.

Slum schools:

We will maintain funding for school meals at the two schools in Nairobi's slums, so that each of the 250 children can have a free lunch each term day.

Future Focus:

We plan to fund appropriate, employment-focussed higher education opportunities for 13 young people.

Tumaini schools:

We will help disadvantaged children have a good education by funding free school meals and by giving bursaries to selected children at the Tumaini Schools in Timbwan, Mombasa.



HOPE

A bright future in sight

Former street boy Jeremiah Mwangi completed his training as an electrician and now works in an electrical shop in Naivasha.

His employer is impressed with his work, and he is clearly a young man with a bright future ahead of him.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

Footsteps International was inaugurated in November 2001 and registered with the Charity Commission (number 1091026) in March 2002. The aims and objectives of Footsteps International are set out in the Declaration of Trust dated 7th February, 2002. The principal object is the relief of need, sickness and distress in Africa by the provision of financial and material assistance.

Objectives

Footsteps International aims to relieve the effects of poverty, disease and disability in some of the world's poorest communities. Our focus is primarily but not exclusively on projects that the trustees know personally and which they can visit to review progress.

Public benefit

In setting our programme and projects each year the trustees have regard to both the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, and prevention and relief of poverty for the public benefit. Our projects are always in line with our charitable objects and carried out for the public benefit in three main areas of activity:

- caring for children in need,
- education and training poor and deprived young people, and
- fighting poverty and disability.

Footsteps does not discriminate against any needy person on the grounds of their religion, tribe or nationality.

Appointment and training of Trustees

The board of trustees is responsible for all major decisions affecting the work of the charity, and invites and appoints new trustees as required to strengthen the management team. The trustees are all

Christians who are committed to putting their faith into action.

Trustees are kept aware of their responsibilities using Charity Commission literature, and all have visited Footsteps supported projects in Kenya.



MONITOR

Footsteps trustees visited Kenya three times in 2025.

The photo shows trustee Barrie Francis awarding a trophy at this year's Kenya Marafun in Hell's Gate National Park.

Trustees travelled to Kenya in February, June and October to monitor our projects; in between visits we maintained regular contact with our partners by WhatsApp, email and phone.

All the Trustees are volunteers, and do not receive any reimbursement for their work for the charity; no fares or other travel expenses are paid to the Trustees.

Organisation

The board of trustees meets formally twice a year, and communicates by

phone and email as necessary in between. Day-to-day operational decisions are taken by Martin Print, and financial and administrative support is provided by trustee Wendy Print and treasurer, Eleri Print.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the surplus or deficit of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue its operations.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Investment powers and policy

Footsteps International's trust deed permits wide powers of investment. The current policy is to hold all investments in the form of bank deposits. Cash that is not required for immediate use on projects is placed into a higher interest account.

Reserves Policy

The policy of the trustees is to put donors' funds to immediate use as far as

possible. In the case of an emergency, an appeal would be made for additional funds. However, it is important that a regular flow of funds is maintained to the projects as a high proportion of the disbursed funds go towards food, salaries, clothing and medical costs. To this end and where possible, the charity aims to hold 4 months' expenditure in unrestricted reserves.

At the end of the 2025 Footsteps had unrestricted reserves of £69,662 which amounts to around three months' requirements.

Risk Management

The trustees have assessed the financial and operational risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the major risks.

The principle direct risks to Footsteps International are considered to relate to financial issues. However, the trustees also work with local partners to identify other risks, especially to children cared for at the various projects, and have identified appropriate mitigating actions. The risk assessment is reviewed at each formal meeting of the trustees.

Policies

To strengthen the management of the charity, the trustees have put in place policies covering:

- Safeguarding (Child Protection and Vulnerable Adults)
- Financial controls
- Expenses and decision making authorities
- Investment
- Reserves
- Conflict of Interest
- Complaints
- Risk Management
- Volunteers
- Data protection and privacy

Overseas partners

Footsteps International funds and supports the work of a number of trusted, local partners in Kenya. During 2025 our main partners were:

- Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre, Naivasha,
- AIC Naivasha Polytechnic,

Naivasha,

- Church on the Rock School, Nairobi,
- Imani school, Nairobi
- Education for Life, Mombasa.



GROW

We harvest rainwater at the Sunshine Centre to irrigate the vegetables which keep our boys grow healthy and strong throughout the year.



NEW HORIZONS

Sights set on the future

Former street boy Fabius Ndegwa completed his training and now works as a land surveyor - his sights set on a bright future.

Reference and administrative information

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER:	1091026
REGISTERED OFFICE:	79 Lynwood Grove Orpington Kent BR6 0BQ
TRUSTEES	Martin Print - Chairman Barrie Francis Paul Robinson Ben Gardner Wendy Print
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ACCOUNTANT & INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Affinia 98 Station Road Sidcup DA15 7BTY

APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

(Chairman of Trustees)

(Secretary)

Date: 2/05/2026

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 1091026

FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
31 DECEMBER 2025

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FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Footsteps International ('the charity') for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements 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

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), which is one of the listed bodies.

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 financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

M Finnis ACA,
Independent Examiner

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FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

		2025	2025		2024
	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	4	228,261	49,568	277,829	254,599
Investment income	5	816	–	816	1,744
Other income	6	351	–	351	17
Total income		<u>229,428</u>	<u>49,568</u>	<u>278,996</u>	<u>256,360</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on charitable activities					
Grants	7	18,954	259,654	278,608	294,486
Support costs	8	1,581	–	1,581	1,542
Total expenditure		<u>20,535</u>	<u>259,654</u>	<u>280,189</u>	<u>296,028</u>
Transfers between funds		(211,085)	211,085	–	–
Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds		<u>(2,192)</u>	<u>999</u>	<u>(1,193)</u>	<u>(39,668)</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		71,854	–	71,854	111,522
Total funds carried forward		<u>69,662</u>	<u>999</u>	<u>70,661</u>	<u>71,854</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 4 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

31 DECEMBER 2025

	Note	2025 £	£	2024 £
Current assets				
Debtors	13	22,960		21,578
Cash at bank and in hand		48,813		51,356
		<u>71,773</u>		<u>72,934</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	<u>1,112</u>		<u>1,080</u>
Net current assets			70,661	71,854
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>70,661</u>	<u>71,854</u>
Net assets			<u>70,661</u>	<u>71,854</u>
Funds of the charity				
Restricted funds			999	–
Unrestricted funds			<u>69,662</u>	<u>71,854</u>
Total charity funds	15		<u>70,661</u>	<u>71,854</u>

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 2/05/2026, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

Mr M Print
Trustee

The notes on pages 4 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

1. General information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is 79 Lynwood Grove, Orpington, Kent, BR6 0BQ, England.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

There are no significant estimates or assumptions made that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
- income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impractical to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or the estimated resale value. Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contribution of general volunteers.
- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

4. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £
Donations			
Donations and Legacies	205,297	49,568	254,865
Gift Aid	22,964	–	22,964
	<u>228,261</u>	<u>49,568</u>	<u>277,829</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Donations			
Donations and Legacies	182,307	50,714	233,021
Gift Aid	21,578	–	21,578
	<u>203,885</u>	<u>50,714</u>	<u>254,599</u>

5. Investment income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Investment Income	816	816	1,744	1,744
	<u>816</u>	<u>816</u>	<u>1,744</u>	<u>1,744</u>

6. Other income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Other Income	351	351	17	17
	<u>351</u>	<u>351</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>17</u>

7. Grants

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £
Sunshine UV Outreach	318	21,354	21,672
Church on the Rock School	–	8,519	8,519
Education for Life Sponsorship	–	13,728	13,728
Tumaini Children's Home	18,636	685	19,321
Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre	–	166,092	166,092
Vivian - Community Health	–	–	–
J&K Scott	–	1,000	1,000
Imani Nursery School - Kibera	–	1,752	1,752
Naivasha Polytechnic Nateti	–	28,409	28,409
Future Focus	–	18,115	18,115
	<u>18,954</u>	<u>259,654</u>	<u>278,608</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

7. Grants (continued)

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Sunshine UV Outreach	3,208	13,664	16,872
Church on the Rock School	–	14,570	14,570
Education for Life Sponsorship	1,753	11,970	13,723
Tumaini Children's Home	16,476	2,030	18,506
Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre	–	158,023	158,023
Vivian - Community Health	–	60	60
J&K Scott	–	2,000	2,000
Imani Nursery School - Kibera	–	1,727	1,727
Naivasha Polytechnic Nateti	–	45,434	45,434
Future Focus	–	23,571	23,571
	<u>21,437</u>	<u>273,049</u>	<u>294,486</u>

8. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Support costs £	Total funds 2025 £	Total fund 2024 £
Administration and support costs	<u>1,581</u>	<u>1,581</u>	<u>1,542</u>

9. Analysis of support costs

	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Governance costs	<u>1,112</u>	<u>1,080</u>

10. Independent examination fees

	2025 £	2024 £
Fees payable to the independent examiner for: Independent examination of the financial statements	<u>1,112</u>	<u>1,080</u>

11. Staff costs

The average head count of employees during the year was Nil (2024: Nil).

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2024: Nil).

12. Trustee remuneration and expenses

None of the trustees have been paid remuneration or has received other benefits from the Trust.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses or any other benefits from the charity during the year.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

13. Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other debtors	<u>22,960</u>	<u>21,578</u>

14. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	<u>1,112</u>	<u>1,080</u>

15. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 January 2025	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	<u>71,854</u>	<u>229,428</u>	<u>(20,535)</u>	<u>(211,085)</u>	<u>69,662</u>

	At 1 January 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	<u>111,522</u>	<u>205,646</u>	<u>(22,979)</u>	<u>(222,335)</u>	<u>71,854</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

15. Analysis of charitable funds *(continued)*

Restricted funds

	At 1 January 2025 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 December 2025 £
Sunshine UV Outreach	–	1,442	(21,354)	19,912	–
Church on the Rock					
School	–	360	(8,519)	8,159	–
Education for Life					
Sponsorship	–	1,944	(13,728)	11,784	–
Tumaini Children's Home	–	1,684	(685)	–	999
Sunshine Rehabilitation					
Centre	–	40,598	(166,092)	125,494	–
Bishop Wambari School	–	360	–	(360)	–
Vivian - Community					
Health	–	–	–	–	–
J&K Scott	–	1,300	(1,000)	(300)	–
Imani Nursery School -					
Kibera	–	–	(1,752)	1,752	–
Naivasha Polytechnic					
Nateti	–	1,090	(28,409)	27,319	–
Future Focus	–	790	(18,115)	17,325	–
	<u>–</u>	<u>49,568</u>	<u>(259,654)</u>	<u>211,085</u>	<u>999</u>

	At 1 January 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 December 2024 £
Sunshine UV Outreach	–	–	(13,664)	13,664	–
Church on the Rock					
School	–	5,526	(14,570)	9,044	–
Education for Life					
Sponsorship	–	2,112	(11,970)	9,858	–
Tumaini Children's Home	–	434	(2,030)	1,596	–
Sunshine Rehabilitation					
Centre	–	36,393	(158,023)	121,630	–
Bishop Wambari School	–	360	–	(360)	–
Vivian - Community					
Health	–	–	(60)	60	–
J&K Scott	–	–	(2,000)	2,000	–
Imani Nursery School -					
Kibera	–	–	(1,727)	1,727	–
Naivasha Polytechnic					
Nateti	–	5,889	(45,434)	39,545	–
Future Focus	–	–	(23,571)	23,571	–
	<u>–</u>	<u>50,714</u>	<u>(273,049)</u>	<u>222,335</u>	<u>–</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

16. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £
Current assets	70,774	999	71,773
Creditors less than 1 year	(1,112)	–	(1,112)
Net assets	<u>69,662</u>	<u>999</u>	<u>70,661</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Current assets	72,934	–	72,934
Creditors less than 1 year	(1,080)	–	(1,080)
Net assets	<u>71,854</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>71,854</u>

FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

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Trustees' Report and Financial Statements
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About Footsteps International

In Kenya, there are estimated to be 250,000 children living on the streets, 2.6 million orphans, and 2 million children whose home is in a slum. Each child is severely disadvantaged, yet has dreams and aspirations for a better life.

We cannot help them all. Working through trusted Christian partners in Kenya, and with prayer and financial support from like-minded individuals and organisations, we are able to help some of them. To be effective, we need to provide enough support to see each child through to independence.

Footsteps International is run by Christians who are committed to putting their faith into action. They are all unpaid volunteers who use their holidays to visit Kenya, travelling at their own expense, to see for themselves the way that the lives of these disadvantaged children are being transformed, and ensuring that funds are used as intended.

Footsteps International: 2024 in figures



Where we are making a difference



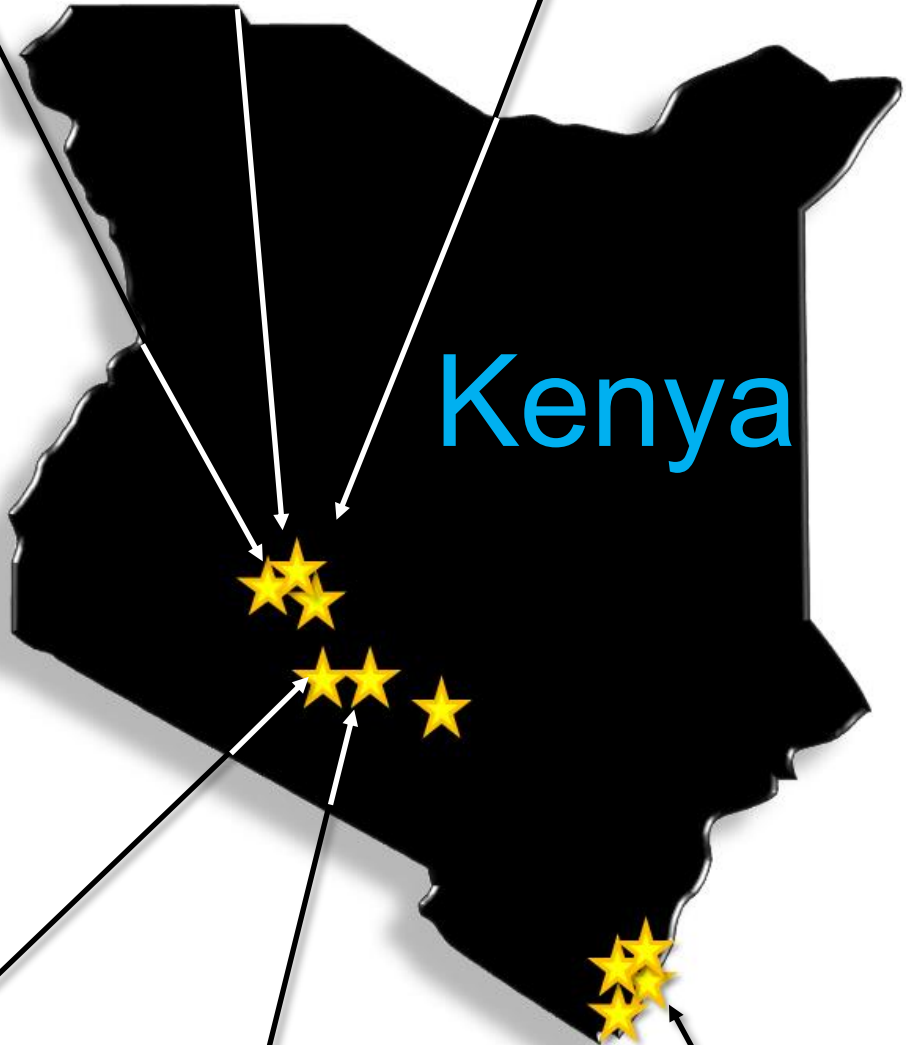
The Sunshine Centre in Naivasha is where we rescue and rehabilitate street boys



The Naivasha Technical Training Institute provides the opportunity for students (many from poor families) to learn a trade that will make them financially secure.



We support five vulnerable families through our Sunshine UV programme.



We provide free school meals for the children who live in the kwa Reuben slum close to Nairobi International Airport.



We provide a nutritious lunch each day of beans, maize and rice to the children at the Imani school in Nairobi's Kibera slum.



We fund foster care for orphaned and abandoned children in Timbwani village, Mombasa

Project reports

Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre, Naivasha, Kenya

In 2024, working with the government children's department, we gave places to 25 new street boys, bringing the total we care for at the Sunshine Centre to 155.

We re-connected them with their families during school holidays, where it is safe and possible to do so.

We provided the boys with a safe place to stay, nutritious food, friendship, love and supported them back into school. We supported boys through higher education and vocational training until they were able to live independently.

Background

During their visit to Kenya in February 2004, founding trustees Martin and Mary Print were taken to meet street boys in Naivasha, Kenya. Around fifty boys and young men were living on the streets, eating rubbish thrown from a nearby hotel, sniffing glue, and regularly getting into trouble with the police for stealing.

Working with Rev Simon Kinyanjui, Director of the Naivasha Polytechnic, Footsteps committed to help the boys.

Phase 1 of the project commenced in February 2004 and involved the establishment of a feeding programme (three days a week).

Phase 2 was the construction of temporary dormitories and a dining hall that opened in June 2004, with fifty street boys joining. During Phase 3 we built permanent buildings on a new site and the Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre was registered as an NGO in Kenya.

Older boys who have moved on from the Sunshine Centre have found jobs as tailors, labourers, welders and businessmen, and many stay in touch with the Centre staff after they leave.



STREET BOYS

Economic hardship in Kenya and family breakdown drives boys to the streets.

Senior staff member Mama Chege talks to them on the streets before offering them a place at the Sunshine Centre where they have a warm bed, nutritious food and go back to school.

Our strategy over recent years has been to support as many street boys as possible within the capacity available at the Centre, to invest to reduce running costs, to increase local income and to reduce environmental impacts.

The Centre's small farm provides a

steady supply of fresh vegetables, with any surplus being sold to local markets.

In January 2015 we bought South View Farm - 3 acres of farmland at Kinale, 35 km from the Centre. The land is held in trust and the produce benefits the Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre.

We have invested in rainwater harvesting systems at the Sunshine Centre to ensure good supplies of water throughout the year.

A local bottled water company, Pure-fresh, rents space for its purification plant and buys water from the Sunshine Spring borehole which is distributed through water shops in Naivasha. Rent and profit from water sales provides income to the Centre.

Progress in 2024

Kenya experienced periods of drought which led to continued food and fuel price inflation. These factors impact the poorest families hardest, and resulted in more children (especially boys) leaving their homes to try to find food and money on the streets.

In January, we offered 29 new street boys a home at the Sunshine Centre. 25 settled in well and we enrolled them into the local government primary school.



Rescued from the streets, the boys find safety, love, acceptance and access to education at the Sunshine Centre in Naivasha, Kenya.

The boys are cared for at the Sunshine Centre by twenty-two staff members, including a social worker, and a part-time chaplain.

In 2024 we supported 153 former street boys: 38 attended the local government primary school, 22 were in junior secondary, 58 in high schools, 10 were enrolled on college courses, 17 were taking vocational training courses, and 8 were at university.

All the boys did well at their various levels of education, and the primary school boys achieved the best results our boys have ever achieved in their final primary school exams (KCPE).



John Wainaina lived on the streets for three years. In 2024 he graduated from Meru University of Science and Technology with a Diploma in Horticulture, and now grows peas commercially on his 2-acre farm.

Many of the former street boys who move on from our care stay in touch with our staff, and we enjoy hearing how they are getting on.

During their March visit, trustees visited John Wainaina who is now growing peas commercially on a 2-acre farm. He employs up to 10 casual workers during peak times such as harvest.

John was on the streets for three years before being rescued by a staff member and enrolled into our Sunshine Centre.



Former street boy Samuel Njoroge completed a degree in supply chain management and now trades vegetables in Nairobi.

In June, trustees visited Samuel Njoroge at his small home in Nairobi, which doubles up as an office for his vegetable trading business.

After his father died, Samuel dropped out of school and spent most of 2009 on the streets before being admitted to the Sunshine Centre. He did well at school, and graduated this year with a degree in supply chain management from Taita Taveta University.

Samuel uses a phone app to list products and receive orders. Asked what were his secrets of success, he replied, "My smile and looking smart."



Trustee Wendy McMahon spent seven weeks at the Sunshine Centre in the summer, supporting the boys and helping with chores such as food preparation, washing and cleaning.

We continued to make the Sunshine Centre more sustainable, and used a generous grant of £4,948 from Fondation Eagle to install solar panels and storage batteries. This has reduced electricity bill by 65% and made the compound safer at night as the security lights are no longer affected by power cuts.

Footsteps International trustees travelled to Kenya in March, June and October, spending time with the Sunshine Centre staff and boys, and visiting families and homes the boys come from.

Trustee Wendy McMahon took unpaid leave from work to spend seven weeks at the Sunshine Centre in the summer as a member of the support team and helping with chores such as food preparation, washing and cleaning.

Sunshine UV Outreach programme

In 2024 we supported ultra-vulnerable individuals and families by providing bespoke help in the form of monthly food packages and support with education and training costs.

Background

We started the Sunshine Ultra-vulnerable (UV) Outreach programme in 2021 to support families in the Naivasha area who were suffering extreme hardship as a result of the Covid pandemic.

When the pandemic ended, we continued to support some of these families, and expanded the programme to include several extremely disadvantaged young people who needed educational support to give them a chance of escaping a life of extreme poverty.

Progress in 2024

During 2024, the total number of Sunshine UV beneficiaries was 52 (10 adults, 39 children and 3 young adults).

We provided support to 6 ultra-vulnerable families by donating monthly food packages and paying education

costs to prevent the children dropping out of school and migrating onto the



We helped Hannah Wanjiru's family with food monthly food, including nutrition supplements and yoghurt which have helped disabled girl Jane and her siblings.

streets.

Hannah Wanjiru's family includes a severely disabled girl, Jane Wangui. We helped the family by providing monthly food parcels that include nutrition supplements and yoghurt. Jane has particularly benefited from these, and the other children are healthier and able to concentrate better on their school studies.

Ruth Moraa is one of the three young adults we supported. Her single-parent mother is very poor and, having complet-



We supported Ruth Moraa by paying for her to train in hair and beauty, and funding life-changing dental work

ed primary school, Ruth's education ceased.

We paid for Ruth to take a hairdressing and beauty course at polytechnic, and also arranged for her to have dental implants, both of which have boosted her self-confidence and given her a hope of escaping a life of poverty.

We paid for staff member Irene Wanjiku to train as a disability care support worker; her case load includes supporting 25 young people living with disability at Karati Special Needs School, where she



Irene Wanjiku cares for the people (young and old) living with disabilities who are in our Sunshine UV programme

helps with personal hygiene, dressing, eating, communication and mobility.

Kabati school, Naivasha lies on the edge of a slum. In an effort to attract more parents to send their children to school we provided lunch for the 1,000 children on one day each term. We also provided



We provided 1,000 children at Kabati School, Naivasha with one day's lunch each term

an extra oven to double the school's cooking capacity.

Naivasha Technical Training Institute (NTTI), Kenya

In 2024 we helped 435 young people access affordable vocational training at NTTI. Many come from poor and disadvantaged families, and vocational training gives them the practical skills and qualifications they need to find paid employment.

We received specific donations which we used to provide a modern Hairdressing and Beauty Centre and a garage and parking facility.

Background

The Naivasha Polytechnic (now named the Naivasha Technical Training Institute) was established in 1986 to provide vocational training for young people who come from poor families. Footsteps has provided financial support to NTTI since 2002 when other overseas donors withdrew their support.

Today, NTTI offers vocational courses in crafts such as welding, motor vehicle



Hannah Gakenia's family is extremely poor; her skills as a dressmaker will enable her to earn a good living and support her family

mechanics, plumbing, hospitality, IT, and hairdressing and beauty.

Over recent years, our strategy has been to increase local income generation and reduce dependency on external funding.

Progress in 2024

Student enrolment was down slightly on 2023 as a result of fewer than anticipat-



Former street boy Erastus Mwangi graduated from NTTI in motor vehicle mechanics in May

ed numbers of students returning for higher level courses; this was attributed by NTTI staff to the fact that many of them can get work after achieving basic qualifications. A scheme to train 50 flower farm workers was delayed until 2025, further reducing enrolment.

We used 3 generous grants from Foundation Eagle to construct a new Hairdressing and Beauty centre, a garage/



The new hairdressing and beauty centre attracted 31 trainees.

workshop to provide services to the public, and to install solar power.

During his visit in October, trustee Martin Print met 31 trainees benefitting from



Former street boy James Malindi washing a vehicle in the newly opened garage/workshop at NTTI.

the newly opened hairdressing and beauty centre. The trainer explained that 9 more students were on industrial attachments to complete their training, opening up opportunities for them to find employment.

The newly completed garage / workshop was opened at the end of September and will provide car parking and car washing, and, eventually, mechanical services to the public, providing trainees with practical experience with real customers.

Solar power was installed in the main



Manager George Otieno is enjoying the benefits the solar power installation at NTTI

workshops, administrative offices and the borehole pump. The project has delivered higher office productivity, improved night security, a 50% reduction in electricity costs, and enhanced environmental credentials

Tumaini: Hope for orphaned and abandoned children in Mombasa Kenya

In 2024, we supported 18 orphaned and abandoned children, helping them stay healthy and providing them with a normal family life. We also provided education support for several older children who have finished school - see the Future Focus report.

Background

Tumaini Children's Home was constructed during 2003 as a home for orphaned

and abandoned children and, at the same time a school was built on the same site to serve the local community.

The land was purchased in October 2002 and is owned by the Footsteps Interna-



Trustee Martin Print discusses the children's welfare over lunch with Tumaini foster parents Charles and Mary Osaleh .

tional Orphanage Trust. Construction was funded jointly by supporters of Footsteps International and Education for Life ; the home and a school complex opened on 18th February 2004.

The site has developed over subsequent years and now comprises:

- Accommodation for orphaned, abandoned and at-risk children;
- A primary school, kindergarten and administrative offices (operated by Education for Life);
- A secondary school (run by Education for Life);
- Stepping Stones – a 'halfway house' which provides a temporary home for some of the older children leaving the Tumaini Children's home.



Footsteps trustee Martin Print enjoys meeting Lucy Shanga who provides a foster home for twins Angelina and Veronica

We also support three families of children who are cared for by foster parents in a family setting. In response to Kenya government policy and recognised good practice, our long-term aim is place all the orphaned and abandoned children into foster care.

Progress in 2024

In line with our policy of gradually reducing the number of children we care for at the Tumaini Children’s Home, our house parents Charles and Mary Osaleh cared for five orphaned and abandoned children this year, as older children who we were cared for last year completed high school and moved on. Eight of these older ones are pursuing further education courses under our Future Focus programme.

Trustee Martin Print visited the Home three times during the year, finding the children and carers happy and well.

We supported a further 10 orphaned and abandoned children who are fostered in the village near the children’s home: three



Former Tumaini girl (now a mother) Emily Nyongesa with the current Tumaini children and their friends.

cared for by Lucy Shanga, three by Everlyne Wekesa, three by village elder Njagi and his wife Constance, and a boy who is cared for by his grandmother. Martin Print met these children and carers during his trustee’s visits.

At the end of the year, the three children cared for by Everlyne Wekesa moved into the Stepping Stones halfway house as they are now old enough to look after themselves with minimal supervision, and Everlyne needed to provide a home for her own daughter and two grandchildren.

Future Focus

In 2024, we helped 18 disadvantaged young people take a range of vocational and higher education courses.

Background

As orphaned and abandoned children complete school and reach the age where they leave home, we continue to care for them by placing them on appropriate further education and training courses which focus on providing each young person with sufficient skills to become an inde-



We supported orphan Norah Ayuma for the second year of her Hairdressing and Beauty Therapy course at Kenya Coast National Polytechnic, Mombasa.

pendent, wage-earning adult.

The Future Focus programme was set up in 2021; it is administered by our partners Education for Life who operate the Tumaini primary and secondary schools, and oversee our Tumaini Children’s Home near Mombasa.

Progress in 2024

We funded education and living costs for 18 young people who are taking a wide range of courses:

Benard Okumu (mechanical engineering), Naomi Munyoki (health records and IT), Caroline Munyoki (journalism and mass communication), Mika Onyango (automotive engineering), Joshua Mutiso (electrical installation), James Muema

(decorating), Brian Kiptum (ICT), Chemtai Kiptum (library and information science), Susan Achieng (operating theatre technology), Norah Ayuma (hairdressing and beauty therapy), James Mutiso (electrical engineering), Justin Njeru (computer science), David Mwangi (automotive engineering), Brillianne Mmbone (hairdressing and beauty therapy), Vincent Magani



Emmaculate Mueni graduated with a diploma in health records and IT from Kenya Medical Training College.

(wildlife conservation), Emmaculate Mueni (Health records and IT).

Education support at Tumaini schools

In 2024, we provided bursaries for 30 primary children and 20 secondary children, funded free school lunches for 600 children one week each month, and provided books, toys and an iPad for the special needs children.

Background

We worked with our partners Education for Life to build the Tumaini primary School and Tumaini Children’s Home which both opened in 2004. Since then, we have sponsored specific students from poor families and supported the free school lunches programme.

Progress in 2024

The prices of basic foods in Kenya spiked during the year, causing hardship for low income families who struggled to pay school fees and levies.

We provided bursaries for 30 primary children and 20 secondary children, helping keep children from hard-up families in school.

We also funded free school lunches for 600 children one week each month, en-



600 children enjoy a free school meal each day at Tumaini School, Mombasa

sure that the children received at least one nutritious meal a day.

We provided books, toys and a new iPad for the school's special needs unit which helps eight young people with a wide



Special needs student Shery enjoys the toys we provided for the Special Needs unit at Tumaini school.

range of disabilities.

Church on the Rock School, Nairobi

In 2024, we boosted the health and education of 200 children in Nairobi's kwa Reuben slum by providing free school meals and text books.

Background

Church on the Rock School is a private school situated in the kwa Reuben informal settlement, Nairobi. The school occupies a tiny plot sandwiched between slum dwellings.

Footsteps International forged links with



200 children enjoy nutritious free school meals of beans, maize and rice each day at Church on the Rock school

the school in 2005 when we started funding school meals one day each week. We increased this over several years so that we now provide sufficient funds for each child to have a nutritious free school meal every school day.

As a result, the children's health has improved which, in turn help has helped improve attendance and academic results.

Over recent years, we have also been able to upgrade classrooms and replace desks and books.

Progress in 2024

We funded free lunches for the 200 children currently attending the six class years at the school.

Footsteps trustees visited the school in March, June and October, and saw the



Trustees were treated to a dramatic presentation by the Church on the Rock school students

children looking healthy and enjoying their school lunches. The children put on a lively play based on Bible stories which was organised by teacher Michael Mutinda who was himself a beneficiary of the free school meals when he was a student at the school.

Bromley Rotary Club awarded a grant of



Church on the Rock school students benefitted from new books funded by Rotary UK.

£1,910 in January to provide school books which enabled the teachers to deliver the new competency-based curriculum (CBC).

Imani pre-school, Kibera, Nairobi

Background

In 2012, Footsteps trustees established a connection with a nursery school in the

Kibera slum in Nairobi, which is considered by many to be Africa's largest informal settlement.

The Imani pre-school is run by Peter Katei (an employee of Kenya Wildlife Service) and his wife Lucy on a plot of land on which Peter's house once stood.

The school provides pre-school education



Imani school children give trustee Martin Print a warm welcome in their smart new tracksuits.

for 45 children who live near the school in the Kibera slum.

Progress in 2024

We continued to support the school by providing funds to buy beans, maize, rice,

charcoal and firewood.

We provided tracksuits for the oldest children and helped improve the children's comfort and security by funding mattresses and a security gate.

Footsteps trustees visited the school in March, June and October. The children looked healthy and entertained the guests with lively singing in English and Kiswahili.

At the request of Lucy Munyao, we provided pocket money to tide over three teachers in the school holidays when they do not get paid (parents only pay school fees in the term time).

Education sponsorship in rural Kenya

In 2024 we provided bursaries to support 38 students at Syomunyu School, Kitui, Kenya.

Background

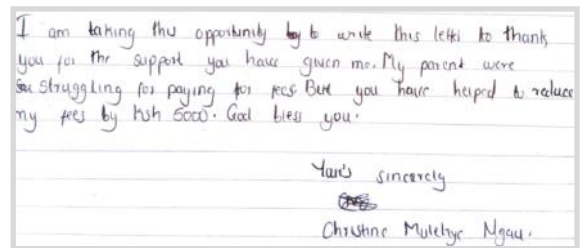
Footsteps supporter Jamie Scott spent time working voluntarily at Syomunyu School. Seeing how poor

families struggled to fund their children's education, he committed to making an annual donation to provide bursaries to support the education of needy children.

Progress in 2024

In 2024 Footsteps received a specific donation to make a grant to Syomunyu Girls High School. This was used by the school to provide education bursaries of between 3,000 and 5,000 Kenya shillings each to 38 students whose parents have difficulty paying school fees.

Beneficiary Dorris Kyalo wrote, "The bursary award has reduced my school fees, enabling me to stay in school. When I grow up I would like to become a successful lawyer, and pay school fees for needy students and encourage them."



Celebrating Sunshine@20

Twenty years ago, Footsteps founding trustees Martin and Mary Print accompanied Rev Simon Kinyanjui to a rubbish tip behind a hotel in Naivasha, Kenya, where a gang of street boys was sniffing glue and raiding the dump for leftovers.

The boys talked of their dreams for security, a warm, dry place to sleep, and the opportunity to go back to school. The Sunshine street boys rehabilitation centre made their dreams come true.

Fifty-five needy street boys joined the newly-opened Centre in 2004, since when nearly 400 boys have passed through our care.

At a special 'Sunshine@20' service and birthday celebration on Sunday 3rd March, 2024, we gave God thanks for His providence, and recognised team members, including Rev Simon for 20 years of faithful service.

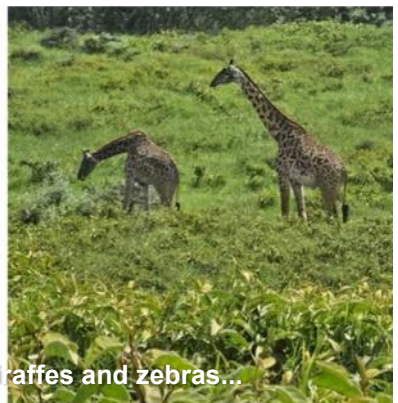


Making a difference together (1)

Kenya Marafun: "More fun...less run" in Hell's Gate National Park on 15th June as 230 participants raised £5,000.



1 km walk through beautiful scenery...



...Rock climbing at Fisher's Tower...

...a run (or walk) past giraffes and zebras...



...a race to the finish line...



...trophies and certificates of achievement ...

... finishing with a swim in the volcanically heated geothermal spa



Supporters in the UK joined in too...whatever the weather!

Making a difference together (2)

Mt Longonot Crowd Climb: Climbing a volcano with the Sunshine Boys and raising £2,500...



Showing enormous grit and determination, 60 former street boys conquered Mt Longonot - the volcano situated 10 miles from the Sunshine street boys' rehabilitation centre in Kenya.

Having set off at just after 7.30 on the morning of Saturday 19th October, the first boy arrived at the crater rim at 9 am, quickly followed 60 more boys and 12 staff members.

As the younger boys descended to lower altitudes, trustee Martin Print and the older boys continued round the rocky crater rim path to the Kilele Ngamia summit, which peaks at 9,120 feet above sea level.

...while a UK team climbs higher than a volcano

Unable to travel to Kenya to climb Mt Longonot, Footsteps trustee Wendy McMahon recruited a team to take on the challenge of 100 wall climbs at the Gravity Rock climbing centre at the Bluewater Shopping centre, Kent, England.

On the same day that the Sunshine Boys undertook their challenge on Mt Longonot in Kenya, Wendy and her team completed a total of 122 climbs of the 20 foot high walls in just over half an hour - an exhausting but brilliant achieve-

ment that helped raise over £2,500 in sponsorship.

In total the UK team climbed over 2,000 feet, proving they could climb higher than a volcano.



What your help means to us...

Throughout the year we received many reports, letters, emails and WhatsApp messages from those whose lives have been transformed with the generous help of our supporters. Here is a small selection we found very encouraging:



Kelvin Kiplangat came to the Sunshine Centre in 2007 having spent two years on the streets.

"I was a very bad boy. I used to steal, beat up other children, and I hated going to school. I stole money from my mother and ran to the streets. When I was rescued and came to the Sunshine Centre, I ran away four times, but mum Rebecca came looking for me and brought me back to Sunshine.

Today I am a pastor at AIC Zion Fellowship. I have chosen to serve God who rescued me through the staff and sponsors of Sunshine. May God bless you more each day."



Emmaculate Mueni graduated from Kenya Medical Training College with a diploma in Health Records and IT.

"I just wanted to say a huge thank you for all your support during my studies.

Graduating is such an important achievement for me, and I couldn't have done it without your help.

Your belief in me has motivated me to push through challenges, and I'm so grateful for everything you've done.

I truly appreciate your generosity and encouragement. I hope to make you proud as I take on the next steps in my journey."



One Saturday afternoon in free time at the Sunshine Centre, former street boy Solomon Wafula was given paper and colour pens to write or draw whatever he wanted to. This is what he chose to write:

Sunshine: I will study hard. I promise to study hard.

We thank you for your kindness for street boys. God bless you for your contribution, for giving us education and shelter.

We have nothing to pay you, but we say, 'God bless you'.



Financial summary

The full results and financial position for the year are shown in the financial statements (page 19 onwards).

Our income in 2024 was £256,360 (£313,120 in 2023). Expenditure to support our projects in 2024 was £294,486 (£268,152 in 2023). Administrative costs were less than 1% of expenditure.

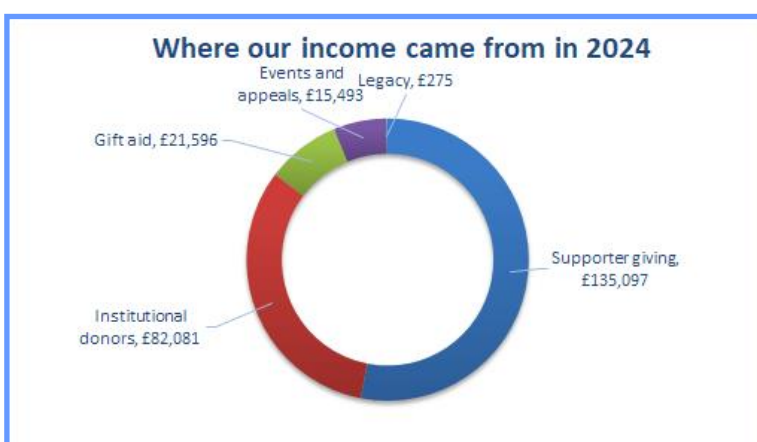
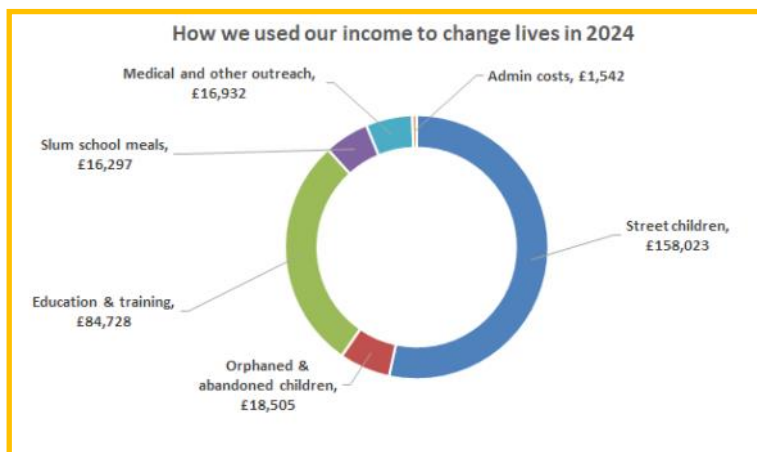
60% of our expenditure was to provide a home, education and care for street boys at the Sunshine Centre and orphaned and abandoned children in Mombasa.

29% of our expenditure was in support of education and training for deprived youngsters. The balance of our charitable expenditure was on free school meals and infrastructure for schools in the slums of Nairobi, and outreach to ultra-vulnerable children and families.

53% of our income came from individual donors, including 157 who gave generously through monthly standing orders. 32% of our income came from institutional donors including grant-making trusts and Rotary clubs. Gift aid contributed 8% and 6% came from organised events, appeals, and a legacy.

The currency exchange rate in January was 200 Kenya shillings to the GB pound, but dropped steadily to 160 in April and remained around that level for the remainder of the year. This increased the cost of our payments to our projects during the year, and there were significant inflation effects in Kenya caused by the weakness of the Kenya Shilling the previous year. Combined, these factors significantly increased the cost of delivering our projects.

We are very grateful to the hundreds of donors who made our work possible, many of whom wish to remain anonymous. Our special thanks go to Fondation Eagle for making grants totalling £43,195 in December 2023 which allowed us to make infrastructure improvements at the Sunshine Centre and NTTI in 2024. We also thank UK-based charity Project Possible for their direct financial support for the Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre.



Future plans

Footsteps undertakes long-term development projects to transform the lives of disadvantaged children and adults.

We expect Kenya to continue to suffer from the effects of high taxes and inflation in 2025. This will cause hardship for the poor and disadvantaged, and increase the number of young people unable to afford education; more boys are likely to migrate to the streets.

In the light of this, our main plans for 2025 are as follows:

Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre:

We will admit 16 new street boys in 2025, bringing the total to 147. We will continue to provide them with education at school, college, university or technical training college.

We will continue to farm land at the Sunshine Centre and South View Farm to provide fresh vegetables for the boys.

Sales from the Sunshine Springs borehole will provide income to the project.

We will seek to implement further environmental improvements that reduce costs and increase the potential to provide local income.

Sunshine Ultra-Vulnerable Outreach programme:

We will provide vital help to 5 extremely impoverished families in the form of regular food parcels and education support for children, minimising the risk that the children will migrate to the streets.

We will pay for a disability support care worker to provide care to 10 adults and 39 children.

We will fund vocational training courses for 3 young adults from impoverished families.

We will fund school meals one day each term for the 1,000 children attending Kabati school which is situated on the edge of a slum in Naivasha.

The total number of beneficiaries for the SUV programme (excluding the Kabati school children) will be 10 adults, 39 children, and 3 young adults.

Tumaini:

We will care for 15 orphaned and abandoned children at the Tumaini Children's Home and with foster families in the community.

Naivasha Technical Training Institute:

Our continued financial support will help 450 vocational trainees access affordable

training.

We will seek funds for replacement tools and capital projects that increase NTTI's ability to provide courses that meet the needs of Kenya's modernising economy.

In the long-term, our aim remains to work together with the NTTI management team to find ways to increase local income and reduce dependency on external donors.

Slum schools:

We will maintain funding for school meals at the two schools in Nairobi's slums, so that every child can have a free lunch each term day.

Future Focus:

We plan to fund appropriate, employment-focussed higher education opportunities for 15 young people.

Tumaini schools:

We will help disadvantaged children have a good education by funding free school meals and by giving bursaries to selected children at the Tumaini Schools in Timbwani, Mombasa.



HOPE

A bright future in sight

Former street boy Fabius Ndegwa did well at high school and is now training to be a land surveyor at Mukurwe-ini Technical Training Institute. When he graduates, he expects to do well in the job market.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

Footsteps International was inaugurated in November 2001 and registered with the Charity Commission (number 1091026) in March 2002. The aims and objectives of Footsteps International are set out in the Declaration of Trust dated 7th February, 2002. The principal object is the relief of need, sickness and distress in Africa by the provision of financial and material assistance.

Objectives

Footsteps International aims to relieve the effects of poverty, disease and disability in some of the world's poorest communities. Our focus is primarily but not exclusively on projects that the trustees know personally and which they can visit to review progress.

Public benefit

In setting our programme and projects each year the trustees have regard to both the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, and prevention and relief of poverty for the public benefit. Our projects are always in line with our charitable objects and carried out for the public benefit in three main areas of activity:

- caring for children in need,
- education and training poor and deprived young people, and
- fighting poverty and disability.

Footsteps does not discriminate against any needy person on the grounds of their religion, tribe or nationality.

Appointment and training of Trustees

The board of trustees is responsible for all major decisions affecting the work of the charity, and invites and appoints new trustees as required to strengthen the management team. The trustees are all

Christians who are committed to putting their faith into action.

Trustees are apprised of their responsibilities using Charity Commission literature, and all have visited Footsteps supported projects in Kenya.



MONITOR

Footsteps trustees visited Kenya three times in 2024.

The photo shows the trustees with the head teacher reviewing the performance of former street boys at Milimani High School in Naivasha.

All the Trustees are volunteers, and do not receive any reimbursement for their work for the charity; no fares or other travel expenses are paid to the Trustees.

Organisation

The board of trustees meets formally twice a year, and communicates by phone and email as necessary in between. Day-to-day operational decisions are taken by Martin Print, and financial and administrative support is provided by the treasurer, Eleri Print.

Trustees travelled to Kenya in March, June and October 2024 to monitor our projects; in between visits we maintained regular contact with our partners by WhatsApp, email, phone and Zoom.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the surplus or deficit of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue its operations.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Investment powers and policy

Footsteps International's trust deed permits wide powers of investment. The current policy is to hold all investments in the form of bank deposits. Cash that is not required for immediate use on projects is placed into a higher interest account.

Reserves Policy

The policy of the trustees is to put do-

nors' funds to immediate use as far as possible. In the case of an emergency, an appeal would be made for additional funds. However, it is important that a regular flow of funds is maintained to the projects as a high proportion of the disbursed funds go towards food, salaries, clothing and medical costs. To this end and where possible, the charity aims to hold 4 months' expenditure in unrestricted reserves.

At the end of the 2024, Footsteps had unrestricted reserves of £71,854 which amounts to around three months' requirements.

Risk Management

The trustees have assessed the financial and operational risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the major risks.

The principle direct risks to Footsteps International are considered to relate to financial issues. However, the trustees also work with local partners to identify other risks, especially to children cared for at the various projects, and have identified appropriate mitigating actions. The risk assessment is reviewed at each formal meeting of the trustees.

Policies

To strengthen the management of the charity, the trustees have put in place policies covering:

- Safeguarding (Child Protection and Vulnerable Adults)
- Financial controls
- Expenses and decision making authorities
- Investment
- Reserves
- Conflict of Interest
- Complaints
- Risk Management
- Volunteers
- Data protection and privacy

Overseas partners

Footsteps International funds and supports the work of a number of trusted, local partners in Kenya. During 2024 our main partners were:

- Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre, Naivasha,
- AIC Naivasha Polytechnic,

Naivasha,

- Church on the Rock School, Nairobi,
- Imani school, Nairobi
- Education for Life, Mombasa.



CONSERVE

We harvest rainwater at the Sunshine Centre to keep our boys clean and the vegetables growing throughout the year.



NEW HORIZONS

Laptops give access to the world

Former street boy Joseph Chege is studying Statistics and Information Technology at Jomo Kenyatta University of Technology.

A laptop is an essential tool for research and learning, opening the way for a successful career.

Reference and administrative information

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APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

(Chairman of Trustees)

(Secretary)

Date: _____

Financial statements

**FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2024**

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FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Footsteps International ('the charity') for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements 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

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), which is one of the listed bodies.

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 financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

M Finnis ACA, ACCA
Independent Examiner

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FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

		2024	2023		
	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	4	203,885	50,714	254,599	312,082
Investment income	5	1,744	–	1,744	1,007
Other income	6	17	–	17	31
Total income		<u>205,646</u>	<u>50,714</u>	<u>256,360</u>	<u>313,120</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on charitable activities					
Grants	7	21,437	273,049	294,486	268,152
Support costs	8	1,542	–	1,542	1,591
Total expenditure		<u>22,979</u>	<u>273,049</u>	<u>296,028</u>	<u>269,743</u>
Net income		<u>182,667</u>	<u>(222,335)</u>	<u>(39,668)</u>	<u>43,377</u>
Transfers between funds		(222,335)	222,335	–	–
Net movement in funds		<u>(39,668)</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>(39,668)</u>	<u>24,194</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		111,522	–	111,522	68,145
Total funds carried forward		<u>71,854</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>71,854</u>	<u>111,522</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 4 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	2024 £	£	2023 £
Current assets				
Debtors	12	21,578		25,582
Cash at bank and in hand		51,356		87,020
		<u>72,934</u>		<u>112,602</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	<u>1,080</u>		<u>1,080</u>
Net current assets			<u>71,854</u>	<u>111,522</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>71,854</u>	<u>111,522</u>
Net assets			<u>71,854</u>	<u>111,522</u>
Funds of the charity				
Unrestricted funds			<u>71,854</u>	<u>111,522</u>
Total charity funds	14		<u>71,854</u>	<u>111,522</u>

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

Mr M Print
Trustee

The notes on pages 4 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1. General information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is 79 Lynwood Grove, Orpington, Kent, BR6 0BQ, England.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

There are no significant estimates or assumptions made that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
- income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impractical to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or the estimated resale value. Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contribution of general volunteers.
- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

4. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Donations			
Donations and Legacies	182,307	50,714	233,021
Gift Aid	21,578	–	21,578
	<u>203,885</u>	<u>50,714</u>	<u>254,599</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Donations			
Donations and Legacies	242,424	44,076	286,500
Gift Aid	25,582	–	25,582
	<u>268,006</u>	<u>44,076</u>	<u>312,082</u>

5. Investment income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Investment Income	<u>1,744</u>	<u>1,744</u>	<u>1,007</u>	<u>1,007</u>

6. Other income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Other Income	<u>17</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>31</u>

7. Grants

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Sunshine UV Outreach	3,208	13,664	16,872
Church on the Rock School	–	14,570	14,570
Education for Life Sponsorship	1,753	11,970	13,723
Tumaini Children's Home	16,476	2,030	18,506
Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre	–	158,023	158,023
Bishop Wambari School	–	–	–
Vivian - Community Health	–	60	60
J&K Scott	–	2,000	2,000
Imani Nursery School - Kibera	–	1,727	1,727
Naivasha Polytechnic Nateti	–	45,434	45,434
Future Focus	–	23,571	23,571
	<u>21,437</u>	<u>273,049</u>	<u>294,486</u>

FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

7. Grants *(continued)*

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Sunshine UV Outreach	3,569	765	4,334
Church on the Rock School	2,902	5,066	7,968
Education for Life Sponsorship	2,049	4,629	6,678
Tumaini Children's Home	15,447	1,049	16,496
Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre	30,376	117,708	148,084
Bishop Wambari School	739	4,501	5,240
Vivian - Community Health	–	720	720
J&K Scott	–	1,400	1,400
Imani Nursery School - Kibera	367	506	873
Naivasha Polytechnic Nateti	4,640	51,223	55,863
Future Focus	783	19,713	20,496
	<u>60,872</u>	<u>207,280</u>	<u>268,152</u>

8. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Support costs £	Total funds 2024 £	Total fund 2023 £
Administration and support costs	<u>1,542</u>	<u>1,542</u>	<u>1,591</u>

9. Independent examination fees

	2024 £	2023 £
Fees payable to the independent examiner for: Independent examination of the financial statements	<u>1,080</u>	<u>1,080</u>

10. Staff costs

The average head count of employees during the year was Nil (2023: Nil).

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2023: Nil).

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

11. Trustee remuneration and expenses

None of the trustees have been paid remuneration or has received other benefits from the Trust.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses or any other benefits from the charity during the year.

12. Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other debtors	<u>21,578</u>	<u>25,582</u>

13. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	<u>1,080</u>	<u>1,080</u>

14. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 January 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	<u>111,522</u>	<u>205,646</u>	<u>(22,979)</u>	<u>(222,335)</u>	<u>71,854</u>

	At 1 January 2023	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	<u>68,145</u>	<u>269,044</u>	<u>(62,463)</u>	<u>(163,204)</u>	<u>111,522</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

14. Analysis of charitable funds *(continued)*

Restricted funds

	At 1 January 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Sunshine UV Outreach	–	–	(13,664)	13,664	–
Church on the Rock					
School	–	5,526	(14,570)	9,044	–
Education for Life					
Sponsorship	–	2,112	(11,970)	9,858	–
Tumaini Children's Home	–	434	(2,030)	1,596	–
Sunshine Rehabilitation					
Centre	–	36,393	(158,023)	121,630	–
Bishop Wambari School	–	360	–	(360)	–
Vivian - Community					
Health	–	–	(60)	60	–
J&K Scott	–	–	(2,000)	2,000	–
Imani Nursery School -					
Kibera	–	–	(1,727)	1,727	–
Naivasha Polytechnic					
Nateti	–	5,889	(45,434)	39,545	–
Future Focus	–	–	(23,571)	23,571	–
	<u>–</u>	<u>50,714</u>	<u>(273,049)</u>	<u>222,335</u>	<u>–</u>

	At 1 January 2023	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Sunshine UV Outreach	–	–	(765)	765	–
Church on the Rock					
School	–	495	(5,066)	4,571	–
Education for Life					
Sponsorship	–	2,206	(4,629)	2,423	–
Tumaini Children's Home	–	2,170	(1,049)	(1,121)	–
Sunshine Rehabilitation					
Centre	–	36,065	(117,708)	81,643	–
Bishop Wambari School	–	360	(4,501)	4,141	–
Vivian - Community					
Health	–	–	(720)	720	–
J&K Scott	–	1,400	(1,400)	–	–
Imani Nursery School -					
Kibera	–	–	(506)	506	–
Naivasha Polytechnic					
Nateti	–	1,380	(51,223)	49,843	–
Future Focus	–	–	(19,713)	19,713	–
	<u>–</u>	<u>44,076</u>	<u>(207,280)</u>	<u>163,204</u>	<u>–</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

15. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Current assets	72,934	72,934
Creditors less than 1 year	(1,080)	(1,080)
Net assets	<u>71,854</u>	<u>71,854</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Current assets	112,602	112,602
Creditors less than 1 year	(1,080)	(1,080)
Net assets	<u>111,522</u>	<u>111,522</u>

FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

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Trustees' Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2023



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About Footsteps International

In Kenya, there are estimated to be 250,000 children living on the streets, 2.6 million orphans, and 2 million children whose home is in a slum. Each child is severely disadvantaged, yet has dreams and aspirations for a better life.

We cannot help all of them. But, working through trusted Christian partners in Kenya, and with prayer and financial support from like-minded individuals and organisations, we are able to help some of them. To be effective, we need to provide enough support to see each child through to independence.

Footsteps International is run by Christians who are committed to putting their faith into action. They are all unpaid volunteers who use their holidays to visit Kenya, travelling at their own expense, to see for themselves the way that the lives of these disadvantaged children are being transformed, and ensuring that funds are used as intended.

Footsteps International: 2023 in figures



Where we are making a difference



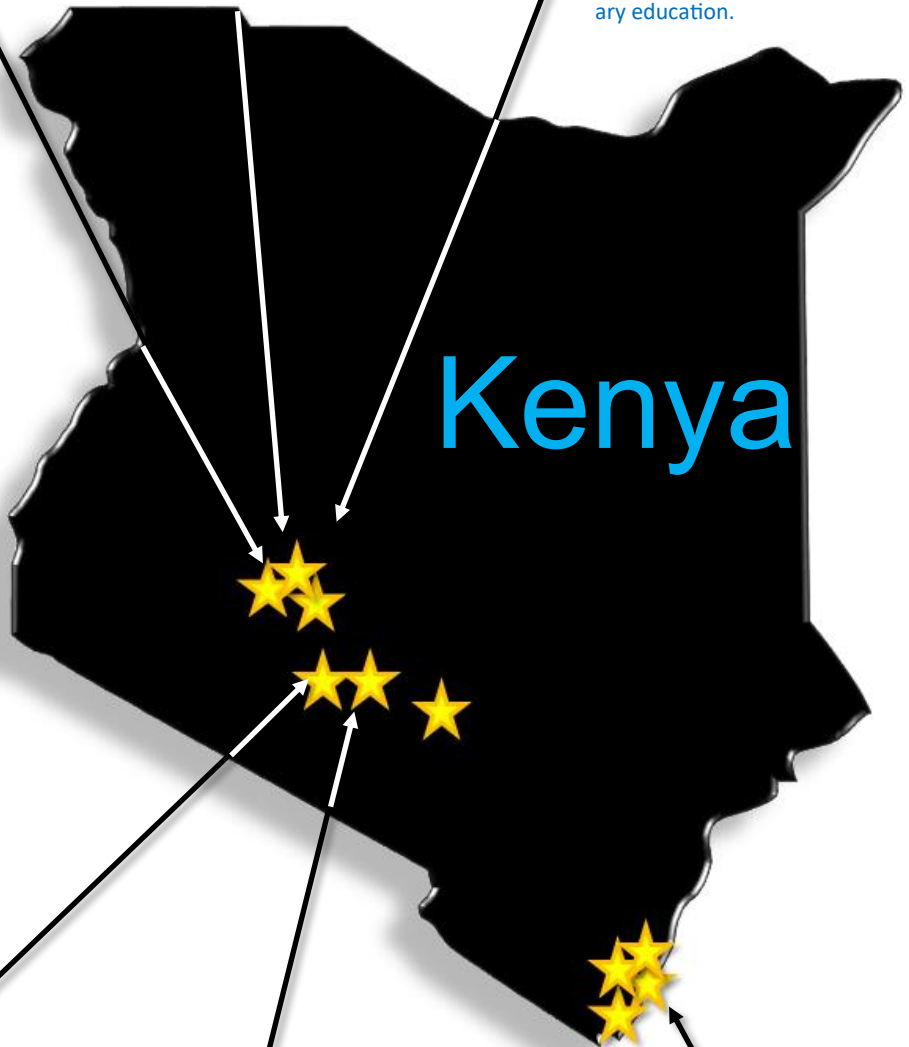
The Sunshine Centre in Naivasha is where we rescue and rehabilitate street boys (and reach out to a few vulnerable families).



The Naivasha Technical Training Institute provides the opportunity for students (many from poor families) to learn a trade that will make them financially secure.



Girls at Bishop Wambari School in Naivasha have the opportunity of an affordable high quality secondary education.



We provide free school meals for the children who live in the kwa Reuben slum close to Nairobi International Airport.



We provide a nutritious lunch each day of beans, maize and rice to the children at the Imani school in Nairobi's Kibera slum.



We fund homes for orphaned and abandoned children in Timbwani village, Mombasa

Project reports

Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre, Naivasha, Kenya

In 2023 we gave places to 25 new street boys, bringing the total we care for at the Sunshine Centre to 144.

We provided the boys with love, security and nutritious food, and arranged for them to go back to school. In this way, we provided all the boys lack when they are living on the streets.

Once settled, we re-connected them with their families where it is safe and possible to do so.

Background

During their visit to Kenya in February 2004, trustees Martin and Mary Print were taken to meet street boys in Naivasha, Kenya. Around fifty boys and young men were living on the streets, eating rubbish thrown from a nearby hotel, sniffing glue, and regularly getting into trouble with the police for stealing.

Working with Rev Simon Kinyanjui, Director of the Naivasha Polytechnic, Footsteps committed to help the boys.

Phase 1 of the project commenced in February 2004 and involved the establishment of a feeding programme (three days a week).

Phase 2 was the construction of temporary dormitories and a dining hall that opened in June 2004, with fifty street boys joining. During Phase 3 we built permanent buildings on a new site and the Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre was registered as an NGO in Kenya.

Many of the older boys who have moved on from the Sunshine Centre have found jobs as tailors, labourers, welders and businessmen. The staff at the Centre stay in touch with many of them after they leave.

Our strategy over recent years has been to increase the number of street boys we



STREET BOYS

Economic hardship in Kenya and family breakdown drives boys to the streets.

Senior staff member Mama Chege talks to them on the streets before offering them a place at the Sunshine Centre where they have a warm bed, nutritious food and go back to school.

care for, invest to reduce running costs, increase local income and reduce environmental impacts.

The Centre's small farm provides a steady supply of fresh vegetables, with any surplus being sold to local markets.

In January 2015 we bought South View

Farm - 3 acres of farmland at Kinale, 35 km from the Centre. The land is held in trust and the produce is sold locally to provide income to the Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre.

The rainwater collection and storage system at the Sunshine Centre provides good supplies of water for most of the year, although irrigating the land is still a challenge during dry seasons.

Purefresh, a local bottled water company, rents space for its purification plant and buys water from the Sunshine borehole. Purefresh water is distributed through water shops in Naivasha; profit from water sales and rent provides income to the Centre.

Progress in 2023

Kenya experienced periods of drought which led to continued food and fuel price inflation. These factors impact the poorest families hardest, and resulted in more children (especially boys) leaving their homes to try to find food and money on the streets.

In January, we offered 25 new street boys a home at the Sunshine Centre, 20 of whom settled in well and we were able to enrol into primary school.

They Sunshine Centre boys are cared for



Rescued from the streets, the boys find safety, love, acceptance and access to education at the Sunshine Centre in Naivasha, Kenya.

by twenty-two staff members, including a social worker, and a part-time chaplain.

We cared for 144 former street boys in 2023: 54 attended the local government primary school, 11 were in junior secondary, 48 in high schools, 3 were enrolled on college courses, 18 were taking vocational training courses, and 3 were at university. Seven boys who completed school in previous years were on a waiting list for further education or training.

All the boys did well at their various levels of education, and the primary school boys achieved the best results our boys have ever achieved in their final primary school exams (KCPE).



Former street boy Samuel Kamau graduated with a degree in Tourism Management from the Technical University of Kenya.

Many of the former street boys who have left our care stay in touch with our staff, and we enjoy hearing how they are getting on. We particularly enjoyed the report from Patrick Nguiyi who we supported at the Sunshine Centre and then through a vocational training course at Naivasha Technical Training Institute.

Having graduated, Patrick is now working as a plumber / mason, and is earning enough to pay school fees for his siblings and support his parents who are disabled by polio.



Former street boy Patrick Nguiyi now earns enough to support himself, pay for his siblings' school fees, and support his disabled parents.

We continued to make the Sunshine Centre more sustainable, and used a generous grant of £10,794 from Foundation Eagle to install reservoirs which capture rainwater to irrigate the small farm at the Sunshine Centre that produces fresh vegetables for the boys and staff.

Footsteps International trustee Wendy McMahon travelled to Kenya in September, spending time with the Sunshine Centre staff and boys, and visiting families and homes the boys come from.



Trustee Wendy McMahon visited the home of former street boy Evans Thiongo and met his mother who explained why Evans had left home to live on the streets

Sunshine UV Outreach programme

In 2023 we supported ultra-vulnerable individuals and families by providing bespoke help in the form of monthly food packages and support with education costs.

Background

We started the Sunshine Ultra-vulnerable (UV) Outreach programme in 2021 to support families in the Naivasha area who were suffering extreme hardship as a result of the Covid pandemic. When the pandemic ended, we continued to support some of these families, and expanded the programme to include several extremely disadvantaged young people who needed educational support to give them a chance of escaping a life of extreme poverty.



Hannah Wanjiru's children are delighted when the food parcel arrives - they know they won't be hungry this month.

Progress in 2023

During 2023 we provided support for 5 ultra-vulnerable families by donating monthly food packages and paying education costs to prevent the children dropping out of school and migrating onto the streets.

We also supported 7 disadvantaged young adults by paying for vocational

training and college courses. The total number of Sunshine UV beneficiaries was 23 (6 adults and 17 children and young adults).



Lydia Nyambura has started a milk bar business and will be able to support her own family next year.

Lydia Nyambura is the eldest daughter of one of the ultra-vulnerable families. We supported her by funding a vocational training course, and with her newly acquired skills and confidence she has opened a milk bar, a business which has enabled her to start supporting her family financially.

Hannah Wanjiru's family includes a severely disabled little girl, Jane Wangui. We helped the family by providing



We helped Hannah Wanjiru's family with food packages, and in December installed an irrigation system and 'grow bags' for her to cultivate vegetables to feed her family.

monthly food parcels including special dietary supplements for Jane.

In December we installed an irrigation system and vertical grow bags at Hannah's home, enabling her to grow her own vegetables. If the pilot scheme is successful, we will provide more bags with the aim of making her more self-sufficient and reducing the need for long-term support.

Naivasha Technical Training Institute (NTTI), Kenya

In 2023 we helped over 480 young people access affordable vocational training at NTTI. Many come from poor and disadvantaged families, and vocational training gives them the practical skills and qualifications they need to find paid employment.

We received specific donations which we used to provide a modern Food and Beverage training centre and new tools and equipment.

Background

The Naivasha Polytechnic (now named the Naivasha Technical Training Institute) was established in 1986 to provide vocational training for young people who come from poor families. Footsteps has provided financial support to NTTI since 2002 when other overseas donors withdrew their support.

Today, NTTI offers vocational courses in crafts such as welding, motor vehicle mechanics, plumbing, hospitality, IT, and hairdressing and beauty.

Over recent years, our strategy has been to increase local income generation and reduce dependency on external funding.

Progress in 2023

Despite the harsh economic conditions in Kenya, NTTI is continuing to benefit from previous years' investment in new equipment and facilities, attracting over 480 students including former street boys from the Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre and women who work in flower farms

located on the shores of Lake Naivasha.

We used a generous grant of £14,649 from Fondation Eagle to construct a new Food and Beverage Training Centre which has attracted 23 trainees keen to acquire skills needed to work in Kenya's growing hospitality and tourism sector.



The new Food and Beverage training centre has boosted trainee enrolment at NTTI

Bishop Wambari Girl's School, Naivasha

In 2023, we supported 75 girl students, one by sponsoring her school fees in full, and the others through bursaries to offset fee arrears. This action ensured the girls could continue their education uninterrupted.

A generous grant from Fondation Eagle enabled us to fund the installation of a digital learning centre.

Background

Bishop Wambari Girls' Secondary School was established in 2001 to provide high quality education for girls, many of whom come from poor families.

The school is situated on the same plot as the Naivasha Technical Training Institute and is led by the same senior management team.

Footsteps helped build a classroom at the school in 2004, and has since provided fee support for specific students, and funds for capital projects such as new classrooms and dormitories.

Progress in 2023

We supported one girl by paying all her fees, and provided bursaries to offset the arrears of 74 other girls, ensuring they

remain in school, rather than being sent home until they could pay. (Teenage girls from poor families who are not able to attend school are at high risk of getting pregnant or being exploited in other ways.)

We used a grant of £4,924 from Fondation Eagle to install a Digital Learning Centre to enable the students to acquire modern IT skills and access a wide range of learning materials.



A grant from Fondation Eagle helped the school install a digital learning centre

As student numbers have fallen over recent years and the change to Kenya's education system failed to increase enrolment, the directors and management made the decision to hand over operation of the school in 2024 to Destiny Premier Academy who will lease the facility and take over the running of the school.

Tumaini: Hope for orphaned and abandoned children in Mombasa Kenya

In 2023, we supported 15 orphaned and abandoned children, helping them stay healthy and providing them with a normal family life. We also provided education support for several older children who have left school - see the Future Focus report.

Background

Tumaini Children's Home was constructed as a home for orphaned and abandoned children and, at the same time a school was built on the same site to serve the local community.

The land was purchased in October 2002 and is owned by the Footsteps International Orphanage Trust. Construction was funded jointly by supporters of Footsteps International and Education for Life during 2003; the home and a school complex opened on 18th February 2004.

In subsequent years it has developed to comprise:

- Accommodation for orphaned, abandoned and at-risk children;
- A Primary School, kindergarten and administrative offices (operated by Education for Life);
- A High School (run by Education for Life);
- Stepping Stones – a 'halfway house' which provides a temporary home for some of the older children leaving the Tumaini Children's home.

We also support three groups of children who are cared for by foster parents in a family setting. In response to Kenya government policy and recognised good practice, our long-term aim is move towards placing all the orphaned and abandoned children we care for into foster homes.



We have cared for Ruth Mbinya at the Tumaini Children's Home since her mother died in 2013.

Progress in 2023

In line with our policy of gradually reducing the number of children we care for at the Tumaini Children's Home, our house parents Charles and Mary Osaleh cared for seven orphaned and abandoned children this year as older children who we were cared for last year completed high school and moved on. Five of them are pursuing further education courses under our Future Focus programme.



Tumaini foster parents Charles and Mary Osaleh relax after church.

While the children have remained well, house father Charles Osaleh still needed treatment after suffering a minor stroke in 2022.



We supported Elnora, Joram and Hamisi (Amigo) who are fostered with a family in the community surrounding the Tumaini Children's home.

We supported a further 8 orphaned and abandoned children who are fostered in Timbwani village: one cared for by Lucy Shanga, three by Evelyn Wekesa, three by village elder Njagi and his wife Constance, and a boy who is cared for by his grandmother.

When the children we support complete high school, we offer those that wish to pursue higher education or training an opportunity for funding through our Future Focus programme. Those that are unsure which course to pursue are encouraged to undertake a period of voluntary work to help them decide where their interests and talents lie before embarking on further education.

Future Focus

In 2023, we helped 16 disadvantaged young people undertake a range of vocational and higher education courses.

Background

As orphaned and abandoned children complete school and reach the age where they leave home, we continue our care for them by placing them on appropriate further education and training courses. The courses are focused on enabling the young person acquire sufficient skills to become independent, wage-earning adults.

In 2021 we set up the Future Focus programme which is administered by our partners Education for Life who operate the Tumaini primary and secondary schools, and oversee our Tumaini Children's Home near Mombasa.

Progress in 2023

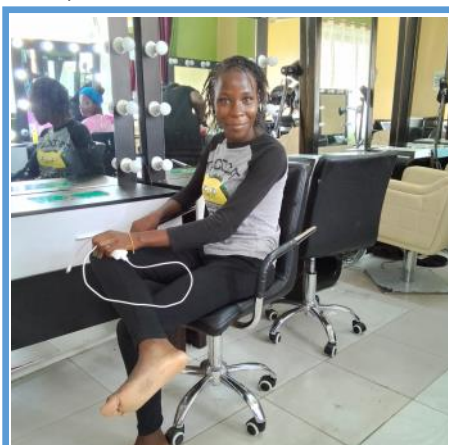
We funded education and living costs for 15 young people who are taking a wide



Susan Achieng is an orphan we supported to take an Operating Theatre Technology course at Sister Leonella Consolata Medical College in Nyeri.

range of courses:

Benard Wesamba (Plumbing), Benard Machache (Graphic Design), Naomi Munyoki (Health records and IT), Caroline Munyoki (Journalism and Mass communication), Mike Okwara (Computer Science), Joshua Mutiso (Electrical Installation), James Muema (Decorator), Brian Kiptum (ICT), Chemtai Kiptum (Library and Information science), Susan Achieng (Operating Theatre Technology), Norah Ayuma (Hair Dressing and Beauty Therapy), James Mutiso (Electrical Engineering), Joseph Gisemba (Special needs education), Justin Njeru Njagi (Computer Science), Emmaculate Mueni (Health records and IT).



We supported orphan Norah Ayuma as she took a Hair Dressing and Beauty Therapy course at Kenya Coast National Polytechnic, Mombasa.

Education support at Tumaini schools

In 2023, we expanded our sponsorship to 31 children, supported the free school lunch programme, and provided an iPad for the Special Needs Unit.

Background

We worked with our partners Education for Life to build the Tumaini primary School and Tumaini Children's Home which both opened in 2004. Since then, we have sponsored specific children from poor families in the village.

Progress in 2023

The difficult economic situation in Kenya

caused considerable hardship, with the prices of basic foods rising steeply, and parents struggling to pay school fees and levies.

In addition to the 10 children we have been sponsoring for several years, we provided bursaries to support a further 15 primary school students and 6 high school students, enabling them to continue an uninterrupted education.

To offset the rising cost of basic food, we provided additional financial support to ensure that the schools' free school meals programme could continue uninterrupted during the third term of the year.

We provided a new iPad for the school's special needs unit which helps eight young people with a wide range of disabilities.



Teacher Jane Fridah teaching special needs student Keren Nicol using the new iPad we provided.

Church on the Rock School, Nairobi

In 2023, we boosted the health and education of 210 children in Nairobi's kwa Reuben slum by providing free school meals.

Background

Church on the Rock School is a private school situated in the kwa Reuben informal settlement, Nairobi. The school occupies a tiny plot sandwiched between slum dwellings.

Footsteps International has been linked with the school since 2005 when we started to donate funds for the school to provide a meal of beans and maize to the

children one day a week.

We progressively increased our level of support so that we now provide sufficient funds for each child to have a free school meal every school day.

As a result of the regular, nutritious meals, the children's health has improved which, in turn help has helped improve attendance and academic results.

Over recent years, we have also been able to upgrade classrooms, install rainwater harvesting, and replace desks and books.

Progress in 2023

We funded free lunches for the 210 children currently attending the school (the number of children at the school decreased when the Kenya government education system changed from 8 years at primary school to 6).



Some of the 210 children at the Church on the Rock School in Nairobi's slums who enjoy nutritious free school meals of beans, maize and rice each day.

Footsteps trustee Wendy McMahon visited the school in September and saw the children looking healthy and enjoying their school lunches.

Bromley Rotary Club awarded a grant of £1,860 in November 2022 which was used to refurbish a classroom and raise the floor to minimise the risk of flooding. The classroom was available for teaching during the first term of the year.

Footsteps also sponsored high school education for two former students who completed their final year at high school in November.



We used a donation from Rotary UK to rebuild a classroom at the Church on the Rock School.

Imani pre-school, Kibera, Nairobi

Background

In 2012, Footsteps trustees established a connection with a nursery school in the Kibera slum in Nairobi, considered by many to be Africa's largest informal settlement.

The Imani pre-school is run by Peter Katei (an employee of Kenya Wildlife Service) and his wife Lucy on a plot of land on which Peter's house once stood.

The school provides pre-school education for about 45 children who live near the school in the Kibera slum.

Progress in 2023

We continue to support the school by providing funds to buy beans, maize and rice, and gave funds for the school to buy charcoal, soaps and mattresses for the



After a free school lunch, children at Imani pre-school enjoy a comfortable rest on mattresses we funded.

children's after lunch rest.

Footsteps trustee Wendy McMahon visited the school in September and met 48 children looking happy and healthy.

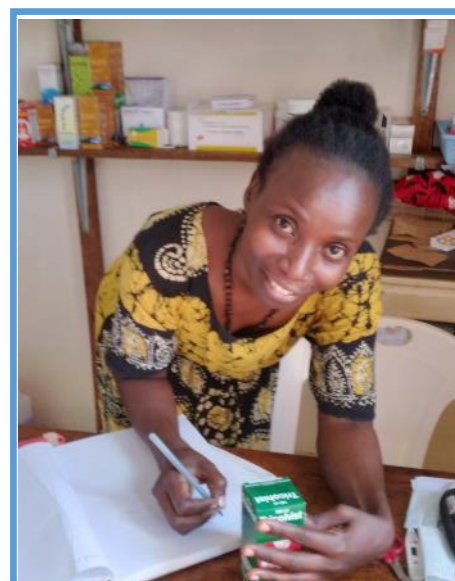
Lucy Munyao (the school founder and head teacher) expressed her deep appreciation for our support for the school, and requested eleven track suits for the older children which we supplied in December.

Community health Mombasa

In 2023 we supported Vivian Amwayi as a community health worker at the Living Wells medical clinic in Makwangani, in the Shimba Hills south of Mombasa.

Background

Since 2015, Footsteps has supported a community health outreach to villages in remote rural areas south of Mombasa by funding the salary of Vivian Amwayi. Vivian is one of the orphaned girls we cared for at the Tumaini Children's Home for many years.



Vivian provides administrative support to the rural Living Well clinic in Makwangani, south of Mombasa

Progress in 2023

Vivian continued to work at the Living Well clinic in Makwangani, Shimba Hills, providing administrative support to the clinicians who operate this remote rural health facility.

Trustees were not able to visit Shimba Hills in 2023, but met Martin and Judy Heath in UK in January, July and December. Martin and Judy supervise Vivian's work and reported that she was continuing to make a valuable contribution to the clinic team and the operation of the YWAM base in Makwangani.

Education sponsorship in rural Kenya

In 2023 we provided bursaries to support 50 students at Syomunyu School, Kitui, Kenya.

Background

Footsteps supporter Jamie Scott spent time working voluntarily at Syomunyu School. As a result, he was moved to pro-

vide many of the poor children support with for their education costs.

Progress in 2023

In 2023 Footsteps received a specific donation to make a grant to Syomunyu Girls High School. This was used by the school to provide education bursaries of between 2,000 and 7,000 Kenya shillings to each to 50 students whose parents have difficulty paying school fees.

Farewell to two Trustees

Mary Print: 5 August 1954 - 14 October 2023



With great sadness we said goodbye to Mary Print who died peacefully at home on 14th October, 2023 after a long battle with cancer.

A strong Christian throughout her life, Mary was a co-founder and passionate supporter of Footsteps International, as well as being a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother and doctor.

She will be greatly missed, but we are determined that her mission through Footsteps International will continue.

Barbara Huntley resigned on 30th November 2023

Barbara Huntley was appointed as a trustee on 29 March 2011 and served Footsteps International faithfully until recent ill-health prevented her taking any further active role.

She always showed a passionate interest in the work of the charity, and sponsored several former street boys at the Sunshine Centre. She was also a great woman of prayer, and kept her church updated on the news about our work.

She visited our projects in Kenya in 2014 and always intended to visit again, but her plans were thwarted first by her husband Alan's ill-health and then by the Covid pandemic.

Barbara has been admitted to a care home, where she still enjoys receiving updates on our work.



What your help means to us...

Throughout the year we received many reports, letters, emails, WhatsApp and text messages from those whose lives have been transformed with the generous help of our supporters. Here is a small selection we found very encouraging:



Francis was one of the first 50 boys who came to the Sunshine Centre when it opened in June 2004.

Having lived on the streets for many years, he struggled to settle and ran away from the Centre many times. But, each time he returned, the staff welcomed him back and encouraged to stay.

We helped Francis through school and a vocational training course but lost contact with him until he visited the Sunshine Centre this year, bringing with him his wife Ann Nyambura and their baby (they told our staff that they have another two children). Francis explained that he was working in Nairobi as a motorcycle taxi rider.



Agricultor Machacho graduated from Mt Kenya University with a diploma in Human Resource Management

"The 4th August 2023 will always remain in my mind. This was the day that I was conferred with my diploma in Human Resource Management having excelled with the highest grade, Credit 1.

There were various leaders from the government including members of parliament, and the chief guest was Moses Wentangula (Speaker of the National Assembly).

I am glad that my family was present to witness my happiest day."



Former street boy Joseph Mbutia is studying electrical and electronics engineering at Mukurwe-ini Technical Training Institute.

"I am so grateful for this opportunity and I can't explain my feeling because is more than I can do .

Thank you very much for the laptop. It will help me learn, study and I promise to bring the best of me. I can't wait to graduate and start working.

Thank you again and may God bless you very much."

Joseph



Making a difference together

A record 554 participants took part in the Virtual Kenya Marafun on 17 June 2023, with participants in Kenya, England, Wales, Northern Ireland, Spain and USA



Virtual Kenya Marafun

2023 saw a record broken as 554 participants took part in the Virtual Kenya Marafun on 17th June. In Kenya, the former street boys from our Sunshine Centre, were joined by students from the

Naivasha Technical Training Institute and Bishop Wambari Girl's School as they raced around the roads of Naivasha.

The Kenyan participants were supported by runners and walkers in England, Wales, Northern Ireland, Spain and USA,

once more providing a truly international dimension to the event.

The event raised over £8,000 in sponsorship support for our projects.

Ace fund-raising by Dylan

Dylan is the son of one of the hospital consultants who helped Mary Print while she was ill.

When he heard about the work Footsteps does he was inspired to ask his tennis club to hold a tournament to raise funds to help the young people in Kenya we support. The committee of Moor Park

Tennis Club were enthusiastic - and told Dylan to get on and organise it, which he did!

The photo shows Dylan in action on the day.

The event was a huge success (including fine, sunny weather) and raised a total of £1,373, smashing his target and making Dylan an ace fundraiser!



Financial summary

The full results and financial position for the year are shown in the financial statements (page 18 onwards).

Our income in 2023 was £313,120 (£369,338 in 2022). Expenditure to support our projects in 2023 was £268,152 (£344,244 in 2022). Administrative costs were less than 1% of expenditure.

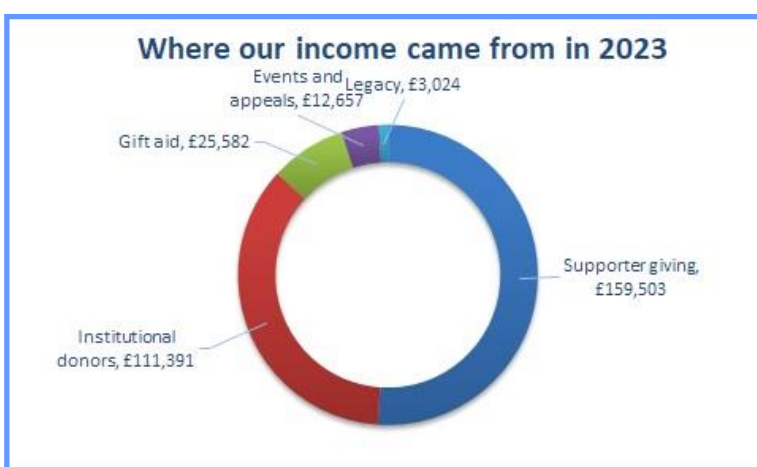
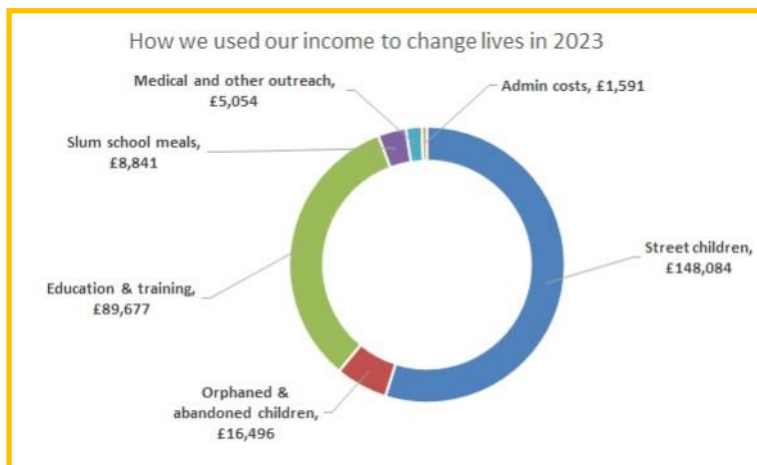
55% of our expenditure was to provide a home, education and care for street boys at the Sunshine Centre and orphaned and abandoned children in Mombasa.

33% of our expenditure was in support of education and training for deprived youngsters. The balance of our charitable expenditure was on free school meals and infrastructure for schools in the slums of Nairobi, outreach to ultra-vulnerable children and families, and the community health project in Shimba Hills.

51% of our income came from individual donors, including 154 who gave generously each month. 36% of our income came from institutional donors including grant-making trusts and Rotary Clubs. Gift aid contributed 8% and 5% came from organised events, appeals, and a legacy.

The currency exchange rate in January was 147 Kenya shillings to the GB pound, and rose steadily to 198 by the end of the year. This decreased the cost of our payments to our projects, but the weak Kenya Shilling has caused inflation in Kenya which is reflected in the 2024 budgets.

We are immensely grateful to the hundreds of donors who made our work possible, many of whom wish to remain anonymous. Our special thanks go to Fondation Eagle for making grants of £43,195 in December 2023 to provide infrastructure improvements at the Sunshine Centre and NTTI which will be implemented in 2024. We also thank UK-based charity Project Possible for partnering directly with the Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre.



Future plans

Footsteps undertakes long-term development projects to transform the lives of disadvantaged children and adults.

We expect Kenya to continue to suffer high inflation in 2024 and the Kenya Shilling to remain weak. This will cause hardship for the poor and disadvantaged, and increase the number of young people unable to afford education; more boys are likely to migrate to the streets.

In the light of this, our main plans for 2024 are as follows:

Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre:

We expect to admit 29 new street boys in 2024, bringing the total in our care to 155.

We will continue to provide them with education at school, college, university or technical training college.

We will continue to farm land at the Sunshine Centre and South View Farm to provide fresh vegetables for the boys to eat, and income to offset running costs. Sales of water from the Sunshine borehole will also provide income to the project.

We will seek to implement further environmental improvements that reduce costs and increase the potential to provide local income.

Sunshine Ultra-Vulnerable Outreach programme:

The programme will provide vital help to 6 extremely impoverished families in the form of regular food parcels and education support for children, minimising the risk that the children will migrate to the streets.

We will fund vocational training or college courses for 16 school-age children, and 6 young adults from impoverished families (the total number of beneficiaries will be 27).

Tumaini:

We will care for 12 orphaned and abandoned children at the Tumaini Children's Home and with foster families in the community.

We expect a further three children who have completed high school in 2023 to take tertiary education or training courses under our Future Focus programme; this will maximise their opportunities of finding rewarding employment.

Naivasha Technical Training Institute:

Our continued financial support will help 550 vocational trainees access affordable training.

We will seek to funds for replacement tools and capital projects that increase NTTI's ability to provide courses that meet the needs of Kenya's modernising economy.

In the long-term, our aim remains to work together with the NTTI management team to find ways to increase local income and reduce dependency on external donors.

Slum schools:

We will maintain funding for school meals at the two schools in Nairobi's slums, so that every child can have a free lunches each term day.

Future Focus:

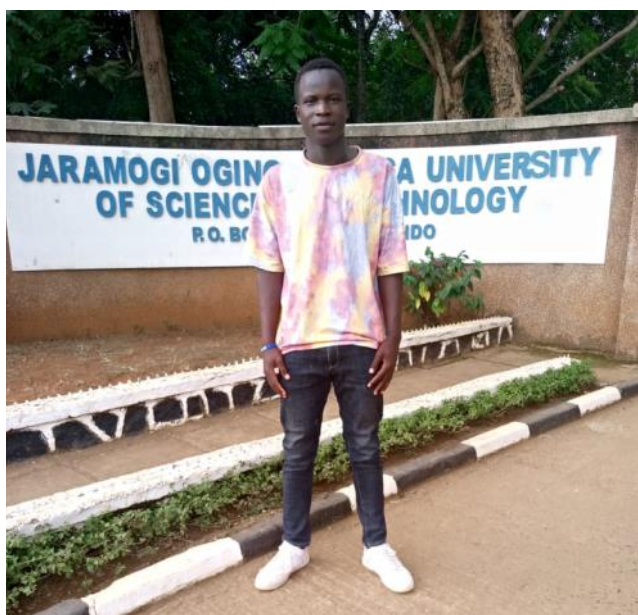
We plan to fund appropriate, employment-focussed higher education opportunities for 13 young people.

Tumaini schools:

We will help disadvantaged children have a good education by funding free school meals and by giving bursaries to selected children at the Tumaini Schools in Timbwani, Mombasa.

Community health:

We will fund an administrative support worker at the Living Well Clinic, Makwangani.



HOPE

Looking forward to a bright future

Former street boy Victor Ochieng excelled at high school and in September started a BSc degree in Science and IT at Jaramogi Oginga Odinga University. When he graduates, he expects to do well in the job market.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

Footsteps International was inaugurated in November 2001 and registered with the Charity Commission (number 1091026) in March 2002. The aims and objectives of Footsteps International are set out in the Declaration of Trust dated 7th February, 2002. The principal object is the relief of need, sickness and distress in Africa by the provision of financial and material assistance.

Objectives

Footsteps International aims to relieve the effects of poverty, disease and disability in some of the world's poorest communities. Our focus is primarily but not exclusively on projects that the trustees know personally and which they can visit to review progress.

Public benefit

In setting our programme and projects each year the trustees have regard to both the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, and prevention and relief of poverty for the public benefit. Our projects are always in line with our charitable objects and carried out for the public benefit in three main areas of activity:

- caring for children in need,
- education and training poor and deprived young people, and
- fighting poverty and disability.

Footsteps does not discriminate against any needy person on the grounds of their religion, tribe or nationality.

Appointment and training of Trustees

The board of trustees is responsible for all major decisions affecting the work of the charity, and invites and appoints new trustees as required to strengthen the management team. The trustees are all

Christians who are committed to putting their faith into action.

Trustees are apprised of their responsibilities using Charity Commission literature, and all have visited Footsteps supported projects in Kenya.



MONITOR

Footsteps trustee Wendy McMahon visited Kenya in September 2023, meeting the children we support, and the staff who care for them so faithfully.

In between visits, we stayed in touch using WhatsApp, email, and Zoom calls.

All the Trustees are volunteers, and do not receive any reimbursement for their work for the charity; no fares or other travel expenses are paid to the Trustees.

Organisation

The board of trustees meets formally twice a year, and communicates by phone and email as necessary in between. Day-to-day operational decisions are taken by Martin Print, and financial and administrative support is provided by the treasurer, Ben Gardner.

Trustee Wendy McMahon travelled to Kenya in September 2023 to monitor our projects; in between visits we maintained regular contact with our partners by WhatsApp, email, phone and Zoom.

Eleri Print provides support to our Treasurer Ben Gardner by completing monthly data entry and bank reconciliations.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the surplus or deficit of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue its operations.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Investment powers and policy

Footsteps International's trust deed permits wide powers of investment. The current policy is to hold all investments in the form of bank deposits. Cash that is not required for immediate use on projects is placed into a higher interest account.

Reserves Policy

The policy of the trustees is to put donors' funds to immediate use as far as possible. In the case of an emergency, an appeal would be made for additional funds. However, it is important that a regular flow of funds is maintained to the projects as a high proportion of the disbursed funds go towards food, salaries, clothing and medical costs. To this end and where possible, the charity aims to hold 4 months' expenditure in unrestricted reserves.

At the end of the 2023, Footsteps had unrestricted reserves of £111,522 which amounts to around five months' requirements.

Risk Management

The trustees have assessed the financial and operational risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the major risks.

The principle direct risks to Footsteps International are considered to relate to financial issues. However, the trustees also worked with local partners to identify other risks, especially to children cared for at the various projects, and have

identified appropriate mitigating actions. The risk assessment is reviewed at each formal meeting of the trustees.

Policies

To strengthen the management of the charity, the trustees have put in place policies covering:

- Safeguarding (Child Protection and Vulnerable Adults)
- Financial controls
- Expenses and decision making authorities
- Investment
- Reserves
- Conflict of Interest
- Complaints
- Risk Management
- Volunteers
- Data protection and privacy

Overseas partners

Footsteps International funds and supports the work of a number of trusted, local partners in Kenya. During 2023 our main partners were:

- Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre, Naivasha,
- AIC Naivasha Polytechnic, Naivasha,
- Bishop Wambari Girls' Secondary School, Naivasha,
- Church on the Rock School, Nairobi,



GROW

We are experimenting with bags to help poor people grow their own vegetables to become self-sufficient.



Potential

Laptops give access to the world

Former street boy Fabius Ndegwa has started a college course studying land surveying.

"Thank you for giving me a laptop," he wrote. "Your generosity will enable me to produce work to a high standard and do online learning without any stress. I will take less time to revise and also understand more."

Reference and administrative information

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER:	1091026
REGISTERED OFFICE:	79 Lynwood Grove Orpington Kent BR6 0BQ
TRUSTEES	Martin Print - Chairman Mary Print (to 14 October 2023) Barbara Huntley (to 30 November 2023) Barrie Francis Paul Robinson Ben Gardner Wendy McMahan
TREASURER	Ben Gardner
BANKERS	Barclays Bank plc The Bromley Group PO Box 1 Bromley BR1 1NL
ACCOUNTANT & INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Opass Billings Wilson and Honey LLP 98 Station Road Sidcup DA15 7BTY

APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

(Chairman of Trustees)

(Secretary)

Date: _____

Financial statements

**FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2023**

FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Footsteps International ('the charity') for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements 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

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), which is one of the listed bodies.

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 financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

M Finnis ACA, ACCA
Independent Examiner

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Kent
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FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

		2023	2023		2022
	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Income and endowments					
Donations and legacies	4	268,006	44,076	312,082	369,204
Investment income	5	1,007	–	1,007	101
Other income	6	31	–	31	33
Total income		<u>269,044</u>	<u>44,076</u>	<u>313,120</u>	<u>369,338</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on charitable activities					
Grants	7	60,872	207,280	268,152	344,244
Support costs	8	1,591	–	1,591	900
Total expenditure		<u>62,463</u>	<u>207,280</u>	<u>269,743</u>	<u>345,144</u>
Net income		<u>206,581</u>	<u>(163,204)</u>	<u>43,377</u>	<u>24,194</u>
Transfers between funds		(163,204)	163,204	–	–
Net movement in funds		<u>43,377</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>43,377</u>	<u>24,194</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		68,145	–	68,145	43,951
Total funds carried forward		<u>111,522</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>111,522</u>	<u>68,145</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 22 to 28 form part of these financial statements.

FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note	2023 £	£	2022 £
Current assets				
Debtors	12	25,582		5,560
Cash at bank and in hand		87,020		62,942
		<u>112,602</u>		<u>68,502</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	<u>1,080</u>		<u>357</u>
Net current assets			<u>111,522</u>	<u>68,145</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>111,522</u>	<u>68,145</u>
Net assets			<u>111,522</u>	<u>68,145</u>
Funds of the charity				
Unrestricted funds			<u>111,522</u>	<u>68,145</u>
Total charity funds	14		<u>111,522</u>	<u>68,145</u>

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

Mr M Print
Trustee

The notes on pages 22 to 28 form part of these financial statements.

FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1. General information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is 79 Lynwood Grove, Orpington, Kent, BR6 0BQ, England.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

There are no significant estimates or assumptions made that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
- income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impractical to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or the estimated resale value. Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contribution of general volunteers.
- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

4. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Donations			
Donations and Legacies	242,424	44,076	286,500
Gift Aid	25,582	–	25,582
	<u>268,006</u>	<u>44,076</u>	<u>312,082</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Donations			
Donations and Legacies	266,732	78,498	345,230
Gift Aid	23,974	–	23,974
	<u>290,706</u>	<u>78,498</u>	<u>369,204</u>

5. Investment income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Investment Income	<u>1,007</u>	<u>1,007</u>	<u>101</u>	<u>101</u>

6. Other income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Other Income	<u>31</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>33</u>

7. Grants

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Sunshine UV Outreach	3,569	765	4,334
Church on the Rock School	2,902	5,066	7,968
Education for Life Sponsorship	2,049	4,629	6,678
Tumaini Children's Home	15,447	1,049	16,496
Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre	30,376	117,708	148,084
Bishop Wambari School	739	4,501	5,240
Vivian - Community Health	–	720	720
J&K Scott	–	1,400	1,400
Imani Nursery School - Kibera	367	506	873
Naivasha Polytechnic Nateti	4,640	51,223	55,863
Future Focus	783	19,713	20,496
	<u>60,872</u>	<u>207,280</u>	<u>268,152</u>

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7. Grants (continued)

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Sunshine UV Outreach	–	–	–
Church on the Rock School	13,157	2,995	16,152
Education for Life Sponsorship	1,572	2,256	3,828
Tumaini Children's Home	18,328	138	18,466
Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre	162,855	48,992	211,847
Bishop Wambari School	6,275	7,393	13,668
Vivian - Community Health	–	960	960
J&K Scott	–	1,513	1,513
Imani Nursery School - Kibera	416	683	1,099
Naivasha Polytechnic Nateti	40,011	16,140	56,151
Future Focus	1,213	19,347	20,560
	<u>243,827</u>	<u>100,417</u>	<u>344,244</u>

8. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Support costs £	Total funds 2023 £	Total fund 2022 £
Administration and support costs	<u>1,591</u>	<u>1,591</u>	<u>900</u>

9. Independent examination fees

	2023 £	2022 £
Fees payable to the independent examiner for: Independent examination of the financial statements	<u>1,080</u>	<u>351</u>

10. Staff costs

The average head count of employees during the year was Nil (2022: Nil).

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2022: Nil).

11. Trustee remuneration and expenses

None of the trustees have been paid remuneration or has received other benefits from the Trust.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses or any other benefits from the charity during the year.

Donations made by the trustees without any conditions attached totalled £26,071 for the year (2022 - £24,555).

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12. Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other debtors	<u>25,582</u>	<u>5,560</u>

13. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	1,080	358
Other creditors	–	(1)
	<u>1,080</u>	<u>357</u>

14. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 January 2023	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	<u>68,145</u>	<u>269,044</u>	<u>(62,463)</u>	<u>(163,204)</u>	<u>111,522</u>

	At 1 January 2022	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	<u>43,022</u>	<u>290,840</u>	<u>(244,727)</u>	<u>(20,990)</u>	<u>68,145</u>

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14. Analysis of charitable funds (continued)

Restricted funds

	At 1 January 2023	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Sunshine UV Outreach	–	–	(765)	765	–
Church on the Rock					
School	–	495	(5,066)	4,571	–
Education for Life					
Sponsorship	–	2,206	(4,629)	2,423	–
Tumaini Children's Home	–	2,170	(1,049)	(1,121)	–
Sunshine Rehabilitation					
Centre	–	36,065	(117,708)	81,643	–
Bishop Wambari School	–	360	(4,501)	4,141	–
Vivian - Community					
Health	–	–	(720)	720	–
J&K Scott	–	1,400	(1,400)	–	–
Imani Nursery School -					
Kibera	–	–	(506)	506	–
Naivasha Polytechnic					
Nateti	–	1,380	(51,223)	49,843	–
Future Focus	–	–	(19,713)	19,713	–
	–	44,076	(207,280)	163,204	–

	At 1 January 2022	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Sunshine UV Outreach	–	–	–	–	–
Church on the Rock					
School	95	2,900	(2,995)	–	–
Education for Life					
Sponsorship	–	2,256	(2,256)	–	–
Tumaini Children's Home	–	138	(138)	–	–
Sunshine Rehabilitation					
Centre	719	48,273	(48,992)	–	–
Bishop Wambari School	–	7,393	(7,393)	–	–
Vivian - Community					
Health	–	–	(960)	960	–
J&K Scott	–	1,513	(1,513)	–	–
Imani Nursery School -					
Kibera	–	–	(683)	683	–
Naivasha Polytechnic					
Nateti	115	16,025	(16,140)	–	–
Future Focus	–	–	(19,347)	19,347	–
	929	78,498	(100,417)	20,990	–

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15. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Current assets	112,602	112,602
Creditors less than 1 year	(1,080)	(1,080)
Net assets	<u>111,522</u>	<u>111,522</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Current assets	68,502	68,502
Creditors less than 1 year	(357)	(357)
Net assets	<u>68,145</u>	<u>68,145</u>

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About Footsteps International

In Kenya, there are estimated to be 250,000 children living on the streets, 2.6 million orphans, and 2 million children whose home is in a slum. Each child is severely disadvantaged, yet has dreams and aspirations for a better life.

We cannot help all of them. But, working through trusted Christian partners in Kenya, and with prayer and financial support from like-minded individuals and organisations, we are able to help some of them. To be effective, we need to provide enough support to see each child through to independence.

Footsteps International is run by Christians who are committed to putting their faith into action. They are all unpaid volunteers who use their holidays to visit Kenya, travelling at their own expense, to see for themselves the way that the lives of these disadvantaged children are being transformed, and ensuring that funds are used as intended.

Footsteps International: 2022 in figures



Where we are making a difference



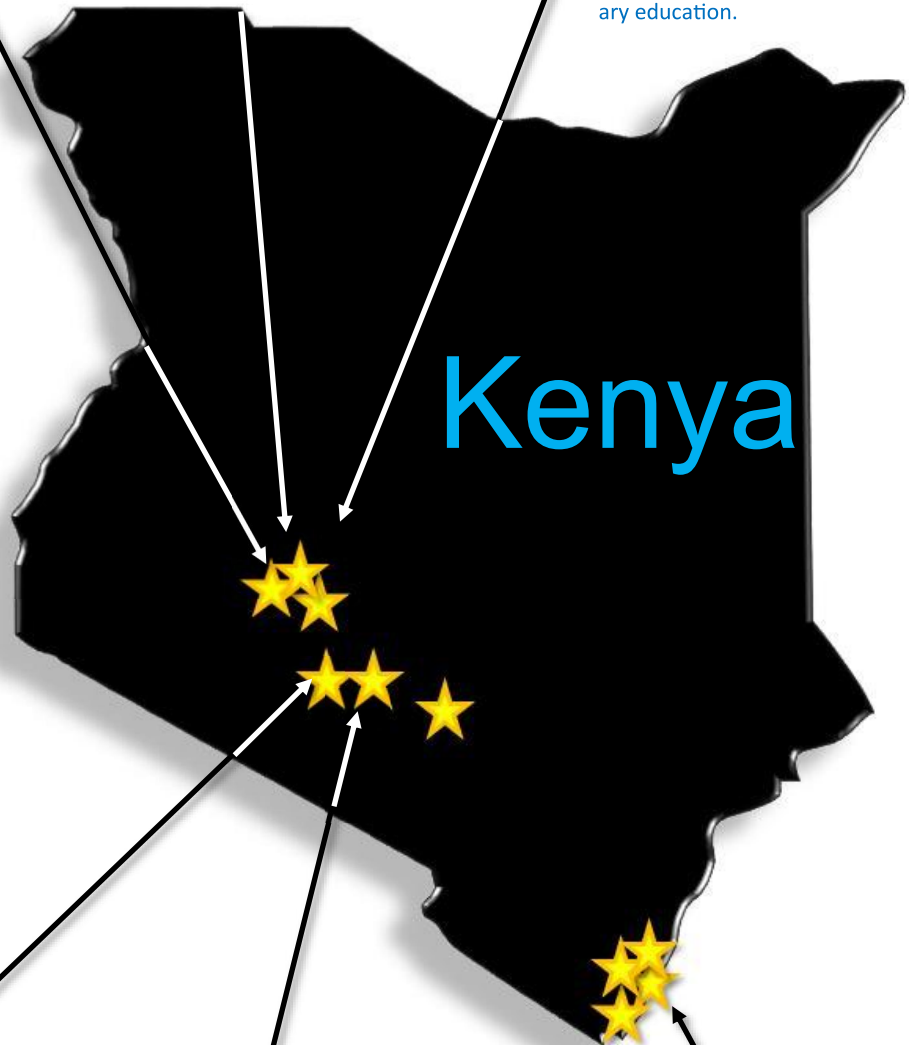
The Sunshine Centre in Naivasha is where we rescue and rehabilitate street boys (and reach out to a few vulnerable families).



The Naivasha Technical Training Institute provides the opportunity for students (many from poor families) to learn a trade that will make them financially secure.



Girls at Bishop Wambari School in Naivasha have the opportunity of an affordable high quality secondary education.



We provide free school meals for the children who live in the kwa Reuben slum close to Nairobi International Airport.



We provide a nutritious lunch each day of beans, maize and rice to the children at the Imani school in Nairobi's Kibera slum.



We fund homes for orphaned and abandoned children in Timbwani village, Mombasa

Project reports

Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre, Naivasha, Kenya

In 2022 we cared for 132 rescued street boys at the Sunshine Centre. As the Covid crisis passed, inflation in Kenya surged. No new boys were enrolled this year as the staff did not want to take on an increased financial commitment at a time of high inflation.

We expanded the Sunshine Outreach programme to provide targeted help to 6 ultra-vulnerable families, and by the end of the year were helping 7 adults, 12 children, and 7 young adults at college and polytechnic.

Background

During their visit to Kenya in February 2004, trustees Martin and Mary Print were taken to meet street boys in Naivasha, Kenya. Around fifty boys and young men were living on the streets, eating rubbish thrown from a nearby hotel, sniffing glue, and regularly getting into trouble with the police for stealing.

Working with Rev Simon Kinyanjui, Director of the Naivasha Polytechnic, Footsteps committed to help the boys.

Phase 1 of the project commenced in February 2004 and involved the establishment of a feeding programme (three days a week).

Phase 2 was the construction of temporary dormitories and a dining hall that opened in June 2004, with fifty street boys joining. During Phase 3 we built permanent buildings on a new site and the Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre was registered as an NGO in Kenya.

Many of the older boys who have moved on from the Sunshine Centre have found jobs as tailors, labourers, welders and businessmen. The staff at the Centre stay in touch with many of them after they leave.



STREET BOYS

Economic hardship and family breakdown drives boys to the streets.

Senior staff member Mama Chege talks to them before offering them a place at the Sunshine Centre where they have a warm bed, nutritious food and go back to school.

Our strategy over recent years has been to invest to reduce running costs, increase local income and reduce environmental impacts.

The Centre's small farm provides a steady supply of fresh vegetables, with any surplus being sold to local markets.

In January 2015 we bought South View Farm - 3 acres of farmland at Kinale, 35 km from the Centre. The land is held in trust and the produce is sold locally to provide income to the Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre.

The rainwater collection and storage system at the Sunshine Centre provides good supplies of water for most of the year, although irrigating the land is still a challenge during dry seasons.

Purefresh, a local bottled water company, rents space for its purification plant and buys water from the Sunshine borehole. Purefresh water is distributed through water shops in Naivasha; profit from water sales and rent provides income to the Centre.

Progress in 2022

The threat of Covid receded in Kenya, but was followed by significant food and fuel price inflation driven by a shortage of rain and the war in Ukraine.

In February, the Sunshine Centre celebrated the 18th anniversary of its founding. Successes this year included:

- All the boys did well at their various levels of education
- The Sunshine Centre was the host venue for a successful celebration of



No longer barefoot on the streets - former street boy Ben Ndichu trained in leather technology which is a very practical course that will enable him to earn a living when he qualifies.

the Day of the African Child in June.

- The Sunshine Centre took part in a successful Marafun in June 2022 involving 77 boys and 14 staff members
- Joseph Chege who achieved an overall A minus grade at Kiambu High School.
- Erick Chege Nyokabi, an Economics undergraduate at SE Kenya University, showcased his fuel gel and aeroponics research projects at the Machakos and Nairobi Agricultural shows, putting him in a strong position in the job market when he graduates.



Former street boy Erick Chege has developed innovative aeroponic cattle feed while at university.

We received a generous grant of £1,317 from Fondation Eagle to purchase 380 text books for the primary school-aged boys at the Sunshine Centre. The books enabled the boys to receive extra tuition in the evenings and at weekends, which has helped them improve their grades under Kenya's new competency-based curriculum.

In December, Fondation Eagle provided a further grant of £10,794 for construction of water catchment reservoirs which will provide additional water for irrigation of the Centre's small farm.

Footsteps International trustees visited the project twice during the year. In February, Paul Robinson, Wendy McMahon and Ben Gardner were accompanied by a long-term supporter. In October, Wendy McMahon travelled again, accompanied by trustee Barrie Francis. On both occasions, they spent time with the Sunshine Centre staff and boys, and visited families and homes they come from.

They Sunshine Centre boys are cared for by twenty-two staff members, including a social worker, and a part-time chaplain.

By the end of 2022, we had 59 former street boys attending the local government primary school, 48 in high schools, 4 were enrolled on college courses, 12 were taking a vocational training course, and 4 were at university. Four boys who had completed school in previous years were on a waiting list for further education or training.



Staff member Rebecca meets parents and guardians of boys we care for at the Sunshine Centre, ensuring the boys stay in contact with their home community.

Sunshine UV Outreach programme

We started the Sunshine Ultra-vulnerable (UV) Outreach programme in 2021 to support families in the Naivasha area who were suffering extreme hardship as a result of the Covid pandemic.

In 2022, we continued to support some of these families, and expanded the programme to include several young people who needed educational support to give

them a chance of escaping a life of extreme poverty.

By the end of 2022, we were providing monthly food packs to four families (7 adults), and education support at the following levels:

Primary and pre-primary: 8 children

Secondary: 4 children

Vocational training: 6 young adults

College: one young adult.



Mary Wangeshi suffers from multiple disabilities. We provided her with mobility aids and supported her with a monthly food pack.

Naivasha Technical Training Institute (NTTI), Kenya

In 2022 we helped 438 trainees access affordable vocational training at NTTI. Many come from poor and disadvantaged families, and vocational training gives them the practical skills and qualifications they need to find paid employment.

We received specific donations which we used to provide new tools and fund new student kitchens and an extension to the Fashion and Design classroom.

Background

The Naivasha Polytechnic (now named the Naivasha Technical Training Institute) was established in 1986 to provide train-

ing for young people who come from poor families. Footsteps has provided financial support to NTTI since 2002 when other overseas donors withdrew their support.

Today, NTTI offers vocational courses in crafts such as welding, motor vehicle mechanics, plumbing, hospitality, IT, and hairdressing and beauty.



Grace Njeri comes from a poor family but is enjoying her training in hair and beauty at NTTI

Over recent years, the strategy has been to increase local income generation and reduce dependency on external funding.

Progress in 2022

NTTI benefitted from the investment in new equipment and facilities and attracted a total of 438 students, including former street boys from the Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre and women who work in flower farms located on the shores of Lake Naivasha.

A grant of £15,900 from Fondation Eagle enabled NTTI to enlarge the Fashion and Design workshop to accommodate more students on this popular course, to upgrade the student kitchens, and to provide a range of tools and equipment to boost training quality.

In December, Fondation Eagle provided a further grant of £14,649 for construction of a new Food and Beverage training

centre which will provide additional space for the increasing number of students taking this vocational course.



A specific donation enabled us to build an extension to the Fashion and Design workshop to accommodate increased trainee numbers

Bishop Wambari Girl's School, Naivasha

In 2022, we supported 16 girl students, one by sponsoring her school fees in full, and the other 15 through bursaries to offset fee arrears. This action ensured the girls could continue their education uninterrupted.

A generous grant from Fondation Eagle enabled us to fund an upgrade of the science laboratory, and to provide a range of modern teaching aids.

Background

Since 2001, the Bishop Wambari Girls' Secondary School has been providing high quality education for girls, many of whom come from poor families.

The school is situated on the same plot as the Naivasha Technical Training Institute and is led by the same senior management team.

Footsteps helped build a classroom at the school in 2004, and has since provided funds for periodic capital projects such as new classrooms and dormitories.

Progress in 2022

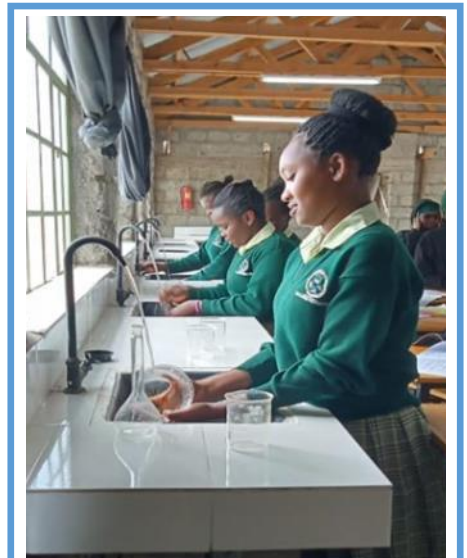
The school returned to normal after the Covid pandemic, but many families struggled to pay school fees as inflation in Kenya caused great hardship.

We provided bursaries for 15 girls, top-

ping up the shortfall in their school fees so that they could remain in school, rather than being sent home until they could pay. Teenage girls from poor families who are not able to attend school are at high risk of getting pregnant or being exploited in other ways.

In March we received a generous grant of £3,655 from Fondation Eagle that enabled the school to upgrade the science laboratory, and to provide a range of modern teaching aids which will help the girls learn more effectively.

In December, Fondation Eagle provided a further grant of £4,924 for installation of a Digital Learning Centre at the school which will enable the students to acquire modern IT skills and access a wide range of learning materials.



A grant from Fondation Eagle enabled the school to renovate the science laboratory

Tumaini: Hope for orphaned and abandoned children in Mombasa Kenya

In 2022, we supported 23 orphaned and abandoned children, helping them stay healthy and providing them with a normal family life. (We also provided education support for several older children who have left school - see the Future Focus report).

Background

Tumaini Children's Home was constructed as a home for orphaned and abandoned children and a school for the local community.

The land was purchased in October 2002 and is owned by the Footsteps International Orphanage Trust. Construction was funded jointly by supporters of Footsteps International and Education for Life during 2003; the home and a school complex opened on 18th February 2004.

In subsequent years it has developed to comprise:

- Accommodation for orphaned, abandoned and at-risk children;
- A Primary School, kindergarten and administrative offices operated by Education for Life;
- A High School (run by Education for Life);
- Stepping Stones – a 'halfway house' which provides a temporary home for some of the older children leaving the Tumaini Children's home.

We also support three groups of children who are cared for by foster parents in a family setting. In response to Kenya government policy and recognised good practice, our long-term aim is move towards placing all the orphaned and abandoned children we care for into foster homes.



The children at Tumaini all have to lend a hand with chores around the home. Derrick Otieno's job is to keep the dining table clean.

Progress in 2022

The children's home celebrated the 18th anniversary of its official opening on 18th February. We are still in contact with several of the original twelve children including Naomi Amwayi (now a community health support worker), Emily Nyongesa (now a nurse), and Diddy Nadhiri (also a nurse, working in Berlin).

During 2022, we supported 11 orphaned and abandoned children at the Tumaini Children's Home, four of whom have completed high school and are waiting to start further education.



Foster mum Everlyn Wekesa cares for four orphaned children in her tiny home along with her own children. Norah (the eldest) completed high school in 2023

We also care for two orphaned brothers at the Stepping Stones halfway house: James Mutiso who completed high school this year and his brother Elijah who was in Class 6 at primary school.

All the children have stayed well, but house father Charles Osaleh had a small stroke in June from which he is recovering.

We supported a further 10 orphaned and abandoned children who are fostered in Timbwani village: two cared for by Lucy Shanga, four by Everlyn Wekesa, and four by village elder Njagi and his wife Constance.

When the children we support complete high school, we offer those that wish to pursue higher education or training an opportunity for funding through our Future Focus programme. Those that are

unsure which course to pursue are encouraged to undertake a period of voluntary work to help them decide where their interests and talents lie before embarking on further education.

Future Focus

In 2022, we helped 14 disadvantaged young people undertake a range of vocational and higher education courses.

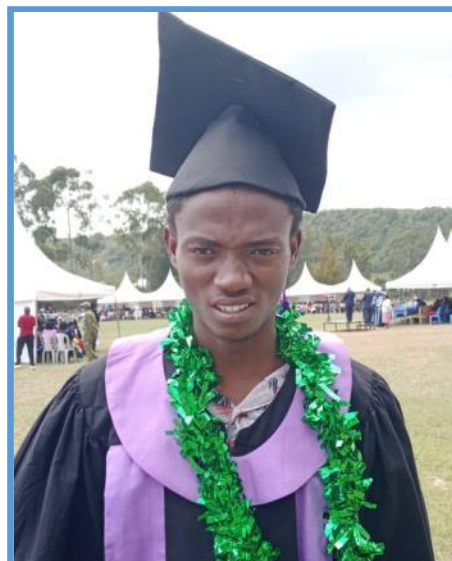
Background

As orphaned and abandoned children complete school and reach the age where they leave home, we continue our care for them by placing them on appropriate further education and training courses. The courses are focused on enabling the young person acquire sufficient skills to become independent, wage-earning adults.

In 2021 we set up the Future Focus programme which is administered by our partners Education for Life who operate the Tumaini primary and secondary schools, and oversee our Tumaini Children's Home near Mombasa.

Progress in 2022

We funded education and living costs for 14 students who are taking a wide range of courses:



Brian Mwenda graduated from NTTI as a plumber and is now working. We funded his course under the Future Focus programme

Kelvin Akweyu (ICT – Diploma), Anthony Karanja (Plumbing and Masonry), Brian Mwenda (Plumbing and Masonry), Bernard Machache (ICT – Certificate), Alex Gohala (ICT – Diploma), Emmanuel Gitai (Construction machine operation), Benard Wesamba (Plumbing), Naomi Munyoki (Health records and IT), Caroline Munyoki (Journalism and Mass communication), Mike Okwara (Computer Science), Joshua Kitela Mutiso (Electrical Installation), Festus Mucia (B.Sc. Animal health and production), Agricolar Machocho (Diploma in HR Management), and Emmaculate Mueni (Health records and IT).



Joshua Kitele is nearing the end of his electrical installation course and is looking forward to starting work when he graduates next year.

Education sponsorship at Tumaini

In 2022, we sponsored 10 children

We continued to provide school fees through our partner Education for Life for 10 children at Tumaini Primary and High School, and made small donations in support of the schools’ free school meals programme.

Church on the Rock School, Nairobi

In 2022, we boosted the health and education of 290 children in Nairobi’s Kwa Reuben slum by providing free school meals for four terms.

Background

Church on the Rock School is a private school situated in the Kwa Reuben informal settlement, Nairobi. The school occupies a tiny plot sandwiched between slum dwellings.

Footsteps International has been linked with the school since 2005 when we started to donate funds for the school to provide a meal of beans and maize to the children one day a week.

We progressively increased our level of support so that we now provide sufficient funds for each child to have a free school meal every school day.

As a result of the regular, nutritious meals, the children’s health has improved which, in turn helps improve attendance and academic results.

Over the past few years, we have also been able to upgrade classrooms, install rainwater harvesting, and replace desks and books.

Progress in 2022

We funded four terms of free lunches for the 290 children currently attending the school (the Kenya government inserted the fourth term into the school year to try to catch up on education lost during the Covid closures).



We boosted the health of 290 children at the Church on the Rock School in Nairobi’s slums by providing nutritious free school meals of beans, maize and rice.

Footsteps trustees visited the school twice during the year (in February and October) and saw the children looking

healthy as they received their school lunches.

A road-widening scheme had taken part of the school compound, so the school kitchen has been moved upstairs. Consequently, all raw food materials and charcoal has to be transported upstairs, and the cooked food brought downstairs for the children’s lunches; this is highly inconvenient for the staff.

Bromley Rotary Club awarded a grant of £1,860 in November to refurbish a classroom and raise the floor to minimise the risk of flooding. The plan is to carry out the work in the Christmas holiday.

Footsteps also sponsored high school education for four former students whose parents are too poor to afford the fees (two in Form 3 and two in Form 4).

Imani pre-school, Kibera, Nairobi

Background

In 2012, Footsteps trustees established a connection with a nursery school in the Kibera slum in Nairobi, considered by many to be Africa’s largest slum.

The Imani pre-school is run by Peter Katei (an employee of Kenya Wildlife Service) and his wife Lucy on a plot of land on which Peter’s house once stood.

The school provides pre-school education to around 45 children who live near the school in the Kibera slum.

Progress in 2022

We continue to support the school by providing funds to buy beans, maize and rice, and we gave funds for the school to buy charcoal, soaps and sanitizers.

We also provided a grant for the school to build an outside kitchen during the Christmas 2022 holiday (Kenya health regulations now forbid cooking inside a classroom as the smoke is a health hazard).

Footsteps trustees visited the school in February and October, delivering the food

in person. At the time of the October visit, several children were off school with cholera.



School head Lucy Munyao and the children at Imani pre-school welcome the latest delivery of beans, maize and rice for their school lunches.

The trustees met Lucy Munyao (the school founder and head teacher) who reported that she had been taking the children on outings to the park at her own expense, and had also visited the national park and the Masai tribal lands to broaden the children’s education.

Community health Mombasa

In 2022 we supported Vivian Amwayi as a community health worker at the Living Wells medical clinic in Makwangani, in the Shimba Hills south of Mombasa.

Background

Since 2015, Footsteps has supported a community health outreach to villages in remote rural areas south of Mombasa by funding the salary of Vivian Amwayi, one of the orphaned girls we cared for at the Tumaini Children's Home for many years.

As part of a team, Vivian provided basic health care treatments for worms, fungal skin diseases and other common low-level ailments to approximately 1,500 people who survive by subsistence farming.

She also ran health care improvement training sessions, informing the community about the importance of using clean water, hand washing, the importance of immunisation and good nutrition for babies and children, and other basic health care topics.

Progress in 2022

As the Covid situation improved, Vivian resumed working at the Living Well clinic in Makwangani, Shimba Hills, providing administrative support to the clinicians who operate this remote rural health facility.

Trustees were not able to visit Shimba Hills, but met Martin and Judy Heath in UK in October. Martin and Judy supervise Vivian’s work and reported that she was making a valuable contribution to the clinic team.

Education sponsorship in rural Kenya

In 2022 Footsteps received a specific donation to make a grant to Syomunyu Girls High School. This was used by the school to provide education bursaries of 5,000 Kenya shillings each to 36 students whose parents have difficulty paying school fees.

Lydia Nguli, one of the beneficiaries wrote, “I take this opportunity to thank you for the bursary award. You have assisted my parents who were not able to pay my huge school fee balance.”



Sunshine Centre director Simon Kinyanjui, and Footsteps trustees Ben Gardner and Wendy McMahon with three former street boys who have excelled at high school: Moses Wambua, Emmanuel Barasa and Victor Ochieng

What your help means to us

Throughout the year we received many reports, letters, emails, WhatsApp and text messages from those whose lives have been transformed with the generous help of our supporters. Here is a small selection we found very encouraging:



Diddy Nadhiri was among the first twelve children who came to Tumaini Children's Home in 2004.

He emailed with his latest news:

"I am doing well at the moment here in Germany. I am currently in my second year of training to be a medical nurse and looking forward to studying medicine if all goes well.

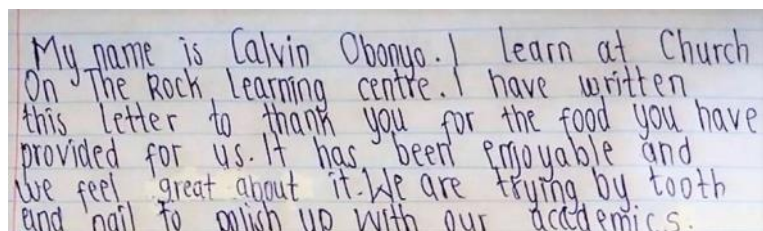
I am grateful for everything you guys did for me and the other Tumaini Kids and this is just to show my appreciation for everything. I am working to make it possible for other children who may be in the same position I was in before meeting you guys."



Calvin Obonyo (above) lives and goes to school in the kwa Reuben slum area of Nairobi.

Each school day he receives a free lunch at the Church on the Rock primary school. It keeps him healthy and reduces sickness absence, important factors in helping him achieve good results.

Calvin took time to write to thank us for providing the funds for the meals; here's an extract from his letter:



We are supporting Lydia Nyambura as she takes a vocational training course in plumbing at NTTI.

"I can't count the thing you have done for me and my family. I hope I will make you proud because my pain and shame and sorrow have been wiped away by you when you decided to pay for my schooling. I can't thank you enough but I can make you proud of me, and I can pray that the Lord will grant all your needs in life."



Making a difference together

A record 540 participants took part in the Virtual Kenya Marafun on 18 June 2022



Virtual Kenya Marafun

The Virtual Kenya Marafun attracted 540 participants this year. Along with boys from

our Sunshine Centre, students from the Naivasha Technical Training Institute and Bishop Wambari Girl's School raced around the roads of Naivasha.

The Kenyan participants were supported by runners and walkers in England, Wales, Belgium and USA, providing a truly international dimension to the event.



Wendy's Sky Dive

As well as visiting Kenya, Wendy McMahon showed her commitment to Footsteps' work by leaping out of an aeroplane at 12,000 feet. Her tandem sky dive on 9th April raised both admiration for her amazing courage and nearly £2,500 to support the children in Kenya.

We are immensely grateful to all supporters who gave their time and energy to raise funds to help our work.



Financial summary

The full results and financial position for the year are shown in the financial statements (page 17 onwards).

Our income in 2022 was £369,338 (£256,392 in 2021). Expenditure to support our projects in 2022 was £344,1244 (£245,461 in 2021). Administrative costs were less than 1% of expenditure.

61% of our expenditure was to provide homes, education and care for street boys at the Sunshine Centre and orphaned and abandoned children in Mombasa.

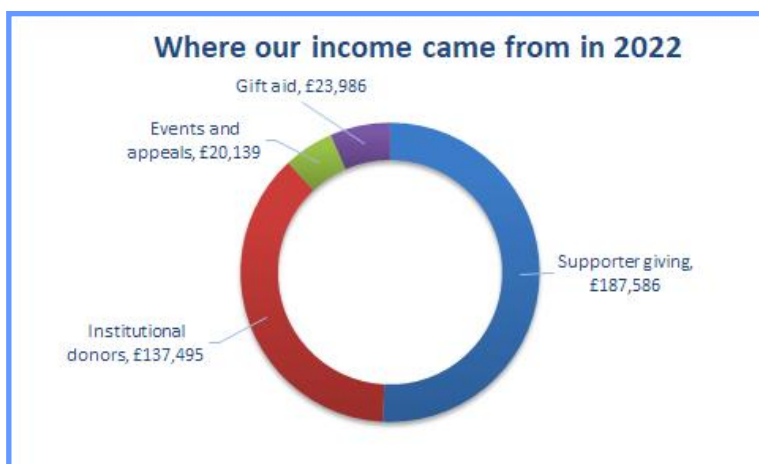
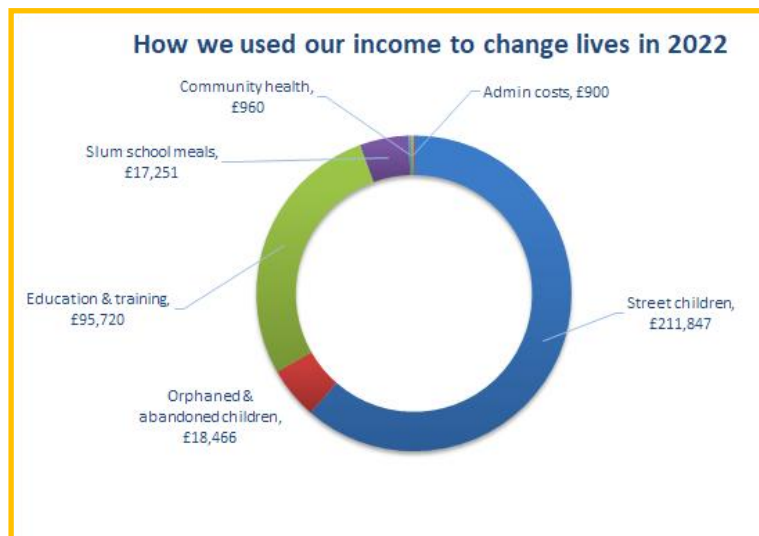
28% of our expenditure was in support of education and training for deprived youngsters. The balance of our charitable expenditure was on free school meals and infrastructure for schools in the slums of Nairobi, and the community health project in Shimba Hills.

We funded four terms of education because the Kenya government ordered schools to add an additional term to catch up time that had been lost during the Covid closures.

51% of our income came from individual donors, including 151 who gave generously each month. 37% of our income came from institutional donors including grant-making trusts and Rotary Clubs. 5% came from organised events and appeals, and a further 6% from gift aid.

Currency exchange rates varied during the year from around 153 Kenya shillings to the GB pound, dropped to 128 in September, before picking up to around 148 in December. The period of below-average exchange rates increased the cost of funding our projects.

We are immensely grateful to the hundreds of donors who made our work possible, many of whom wish to remain anonymous. Our special thanks go to Fondation Eagle for making grants of £21,340 (in March 2022) and £30,367 (in December 2022) to provide infrastructure and learning materials for Sunshine Centre, NTTI and Bishop Wambari School. We also thank Project Possible for partnering directly with the Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre.



Future plans

Footsteps undertakes long-term development projects to transform the lives of disadvantaged children and adults.

We expect Kenya to suffer high inflation in 2023 that will cause hardship for the poor and disadvantaged, and increase the number of young people unable to afford education; more boys are likely to migrate to the streets.

In the light of this, our main plans for 2023 are as follows:

Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre:

We expect to admit 25 new street boys in 2023, bringing the total in our care to 140.

We will continue to provide them with education at school, college, university or technical training college.

We will continue to farm land at the Sunshine Centre and South View Farm to provide fresh vegetables for the boys to eat, and income to offset running costs. Sales of water from the Sunshine borehole will also provide income to the project.

We will seek to implement further environmental improvements that reduce costs and increase the potential to provide local income.

Sunshine Ultra-Vulnerable Outreach programme:

The programme will provide vital help to 5 extremely impoverished families in the form of regular food parcels and education support for children (minimising the risk that the children will migrate to the streets).

We will fund vocational training or college courses for 7 young men and women from impoverished families.

The total number of beneficiaries will be 26 (7 adults and 19 children / young adults)

Tumaini:

We will care for 17 orphaned and abandoned children at the Tumaini Children's Home and with foster families in the community.

We expect six more children who have now completed high school to take tertiary education or training courses under our Future Focus programme which will maximise their opportunities of finding rewarding employment.

Naivasha Technical Training Institute:

Our continued financial support will help 500 vocational trainees access affordable training.

We will seek to funds for replacement tools and capital projects that increase NTTI's ability to provide courses that meet the needs of Kenya's modernising economy.

In the long-term, our aim remains to work together with the NTTI management team to find ways to increase local income.

Slum schools:

We will maintain funding for school meals at the two schools in Nairobi's slums, so that all the children can have free lunches each term day.

We will support high school education for 2 bright students from poor families, enabling them to continue their education.

Future Focus:

We expect to fund appropriate, employment-focussed higher education opportunities for 15 disadvantaged young people.



HOPE

Looking forward to a bright future

Former street boy Samuel Kamau is nearing the end of his Tourism course. As Kenya's wildlife parks re-open after the pandemic, Samuel is hoping for a job showing visitors the wonders of Kenya's wildlife.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

Footsteps International was inaugurated in November 2001 and registered with the Charity Commission (number 1091026) in March 2002. The aims and objectives of Footsteps International are set out in the Declaration of Trust dated 7th February, 2002. The principal object is the relief of need, sickness and distress in Africa by the provision of financial and material assistance.

Objectives

Footsteps International aims to relieve the effects of poverty, disease and disability in some of the world's poorest communities. Our focus is primarily but not exclusively on projects that the trustees know personally and which they can visit to review progress.

Public benefit

In setting our programme and projects each year the trustees have regard to both the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, and prevention and relief of poverty for the public benefit. Our projects are always in line with our charitable objects and carried out for the public benefit in three main areas of activity:

- caring for children in need,
- education and training poor and deprived young people, and
- fighting poverty and disability.

Footsteps does not discriminate against any needy person on the grounds of their religion, tribe or nationality.

Appointment and training of Trustees

The board of trustees is responsible for all major decisions affecting the work of the charity, and invites and appoints new trustees as required to strengthen the management team. The trustees are all

Christians who are committed to putting their faith into action.

In July 2022, we strengthened our board by appointing two new trustees. Wendy McMahon and Ben Gardner are long-term supporters, and Ben has been our treasurer for many years.



MONITOR

Footsteps trustees made two visits to Kenya in 2022, meeting the children we support, and the staff who care for them so faithfully.

In between visits, we stayed in touch using WhatsApp, email, and Zoom calls.

Trustees are apprised of their responsibilities using Charity Commission literature, and all have visited Footsteps supported projects in Kenya.

All the Trustees are volunteers, and do not receive any reimbursement for their work for the charity; no fares or other travel expenses are paid to the Trustees.

Organisation

The board of trustees meets formally twice a year, and communicates by phone and email as necessary in be-

tween. Day-to-day operational decisions are taken by Martin and Mary Print, and financial and administrative support is provided by the treasurer, Ben Gardner.

Trustees were able to travel to Kenya twice in 2022 to monitor our projects; in between visits we maintained regular contact with our partners by WhatsApp, email, phone and Zoom.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the surplus or deficit of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue its operations.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Investment powers and policy

Footsteps International's trust deed permits wide powers of investment. The current policy is to hold all investments in the form of bank deposits. Cash that is not required for immediate use on projects is placed into a higher interest account.

Reserves Policy

The policy of the trustees is to put donors' funds to immediate use as far as possible. In the case of an emergency, an appeal would be made for additional funds. However, it is important that a regular flow of funds is maintained to the projects as a high proportion of the disbursed funds go towards food, salaries, clothing and medical costs.

At the end of the year, Footsteps had unrestricted reserves of £68,145 which amounts to around three months' requirements.

Risk Management

The trustees have assessed the financial and operational risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the major risks.

The principle direct risks to Footsteps International are considered to relate to financial issues. However, the trustees also worked with local partners to identify other risks, especially to children cared for at the various projects, and have identified appropriate mitigating actions. The risk assessment is reviewed at each formal meeting of the trustees.

Policies

To strengthen the management of the charity, the trustees have put in place policies covering:

- Child Protection and Vulnerable Adults
- Financial controls
- Expenses and decision making authorities
- Investment
- Reserves
- Conflict of Interest
- Complaints
- Risk Management
- Volunteers
- Data protection and privacy

Overseas partners

Footsteps International funds and supports the work of a number of trusted, local partners in Kenya. During 2022 our main partners were:

- Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre, Naivasha,
- AIC Naivasha Polytechnic, Naivasha,

- Bishop Wambari Girls' Secondary School, Naivasha,
- Church on the Rock School, Nairobi,
- Education for Life, Mombasa.



GROW

Former street boy Godwin helps harvest vegetables at the Sunshine Centre, keeping him healthy and teaching him useful life skills.



Potential

Laptops give access to the world

Like all college students in Kenya, Emma needs a laptop to access on-line learning materials for her Medical Records and IT course at Kenya Medical Training College.

"Thank you for the laptop," she says, "I promise to look after it!"

Reference and administrative information

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER:	1091026
REGISTERED OFFICE:	79 Lynwood Grove Orpington Kent BR6 0BQ
TRUSTEES	Martin Print - Chairman Mary Print Barbara Huntley Barrie Francis Paul Robinson Ben Gardner (appointed 31 July) Wendy McMahon (appointed 31 July)
TREASURER	Ben Gardner
BANKERS	Barclays Bank plc The Bromley Group PO Box 1 Bromley BR1 1NL
ACCOUNTANT & INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Oak Accounting Ltd 27 Bascott Road Wallisdown Bournemouth BH11 8RJS

APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

(Chairman of Trustees)

(Secretary)

Date: _____

Financial statements

**FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2022**

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Footsteps International

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022 which are set out on pages 2 to 8.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees of Footsteps International 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 Footsteps International'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

Since Footsteps International's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of Association of Accounting Technicians, which is one of the listed bodies.

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 Footsteps International as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

.....
Sue Wintle
Independent Examiner
Association of Accounting Technicians

27 Bascott Road
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Date:.....

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and legacies		290,706	78,498	369,204	256,348
Investment income	3	101	-	101	5
Other income		33	-	33	39
Total Income		<u>290,840</u>	<u>78,498</u>	<u>369,338</u>	<u>256,392</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities		(244,727)	(100,417)	(345,144)	(246,127)
Total Expenditure		<u>(244,727)</u>	<u>(100,417)</u>	<u>(345,144)</u>	<u>(246,127)</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		46,113	(21,919)	24,194	10,265
Gross transfers between funds		(20,990)	20,990	-	-
Net movement in funds		25,123	(929)	24,194	10,265
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>43,022</u>	<u>929</u>	<u>43,951</u>	<u>33,686</u>
Total funds carried forward	10	<u><u>68,145</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>68,145</u></u>	<u><u>43,951</u></u>

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

(Registration number: 1091026)
Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Current assets			
Debtors	7	5,560	7,413
Cash at bank and in hand	8	<u>62,942</u>	<u>36,863</u>
		68,502	44,276
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(357)</u>	<u>(325)</u>
Net assets		<u>68,145</u>	<u>43,951</u>
Funds of the charity:			
Restricted income funds			
Restricted funds	10	-	929
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		<u>68,145</u>	<u>43,022</u>
Total funds	10	<u>68,145</u>	<u>43,951</u>

The financial statements on pages 14 to 22 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on and signed on their behalf by:

.....
Mr Martin Print
Trustee

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

1 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation

Footsteps International meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement

The charity opted to early adopt Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016 and have therefore not included a cash flow statement in these financial statements.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Income and endowments

Voluntary income is received by way of donations and gifts. It is shown in full in the Statement of Financial Activities, when received. Gifts in kind are valued at their estimated value to the charity and are included under the appropriate headings.

Also included under this heading is income from fund raising activities.

Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

Investment income

Dividends are recognised once the dividend has been declared and notification has been received of the dividend due.

Expenditure

The charity's expenditure is mostly grants for projects, with a small amount of administration costs.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Grant provisions

Provisions for grants are made when the intention to make a grant has been communicated to the recipient but there is uncertainty about either the timing of the grant or the amount of grant payable.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

Support costs

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, for example, allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees's discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Restricted income funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Donations and legacies;			
Donations to major appeals	266,732	78,498	345,230
Gift aid reclaimed	23,974	-	23,974
Total for 2022	290,706	78,498	369,204
Total for 2021	206,940	49,408	256,348

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

3 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Interest receivable and similar income; Interest receivable on bank deposits	101	101
Total for 2022	101	101
Total for 2021	5	5

4 Grant-making

Analysis of grants

	Grants to institutions 2022 £	2021 £
Analysis		
Tumaini Children's Home	18,466	32,081
NATETI	56,151	32,318
Imani Nursery School - Kibera	1,099	609
Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre	211,847	138,200
Church on the Rock School	16,152	13,524
Education for Life Sponsorship	3,828	4,572
J&K Scott	1,513	2,000
Small is Beautiful	-	400
Vivian - Community Health	960	1,680
Future Focus	20,560	11,117
Bishop Wambari School	13,668	8,960
	344,244	245,461

5 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses or any other benefits from the charity during the year.

Donations made by the trustees without any conditions attached totalled £24,555 for the year (2021 - £15,700).

6 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

7 Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Other debtors	5,560	7,413

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

8 Cash and cash equivalents

	2022 £	2021 £
Cash at bank	<u>62,942</u>	<u>36,863</u>

9 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Other creditors	(1)	-
Accruals	<u>358</u>	<u>325</u>
	<u>357</u>	<u>325</u>

10 Funds

	Balance at 1 January 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 December 2022 £
Unrestricted funds					
<i>General</i>					
General Fund	43,022	290,840	(244,727)	(20,990)	68,145
Restricted funds					
Church on the Rock School	95	2,900	(2,995)	-	-
Education for Life sponsorship	-	2,256	(2,256)	-	-
Tumaini Children's home	-	138	(138)	-	-
Sunshine rehabilitation centre	719	48,273	(48,992)	-	-
Wambari School	-	7,393	(7,393)	-	-
Vivian - Community Health	-	-	(960)	960	-
J&K Scott Sponsorship	-	1,513	(1,513)	-	-
Kibera - Imani Nursery School	-	-	(683)	683	-
Naivasha Technical Training Institute	115	16,025	(16,140)	-	-
Future Focus	-	-	(19,347)	19,347	-
Total restricted funds	<u>929</u>	<u>78,498</u>	<u>(100,417)</u>	<u>20,990</u>	<u>-</u>
Total funds	<u>43,951</u>	<u>369,338</u>	<u>(345,144)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>68,145</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

	Balance at 1 January 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 December 2021 £
Unrestricted funds					
<i>General</i>					
General Fund	33,583	206,984	(194,867)	(2,678)	43,022
Restricted					
Small is Beautiful	140	240	(380)	-	-
Church on the Rock School	-	1,540	(1,445)	-	95
Education for Life sponsorship	(287)	2,448	(3,409)	1,248	-
New Hope	-	400	(400)	-	-
Tumaini Children's home	-	1,000	(1,000)	-	-
Sunshine rehabilitation centre	-	34,636	(33,917)	-	719
Wambari School	-	710	(710)	-	-
Vivian - Community Health	250	-	(1,680)	1,430	-
J&K Scott Sponsorship	-	2,000	(2,000)	-	-
Naivasha Technical Training Institute	-	6,435	(6,320)	-	115
Total restricted funds	<u>103</u>	<u>49,409</u>	<u>(51,261)</u>	<u>2,678</u>	<u>929</u>
Total funds	<u><u>33,686</u></u>	<u><u>256,393</u></u>	<u><u>(246,128)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>43,951</u></u>

11 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds at 31 December 2022 £	
Current assets	68,502	68,502	
Current liabilities	(357)	(357)	
Total net assets	<u>68,145</u>	<u>68,145</u>	
	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds at 31 December 2021 £
Current assets	43,347	929	44,276
Current liabilities	(325)	-	(325)
Total net assets	<u>43,022</u>	<u>929</u>	<u>43,951</u>

FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

England & Wales - Charity number 1091026

Accounts



Trustees' Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2021



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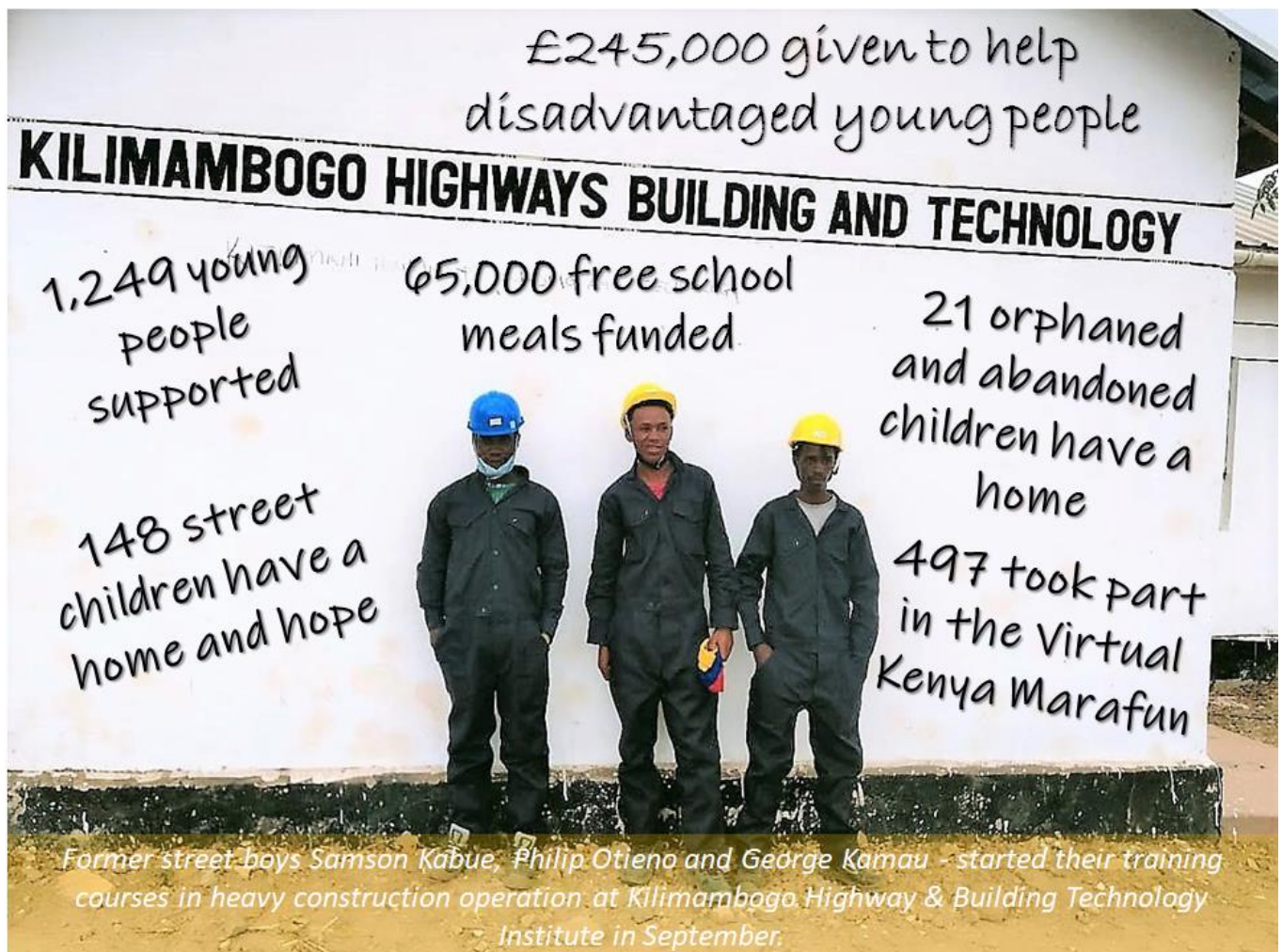
About Footsteps International

In Kenya, there are estimated to be 250,000 children living on the streets, 2.6 million orphans, and 2 million children whose home is in a slum. Each child is severely disadvantaged, yet has dreams and aspirations for a better life.

We cannot help all of them. But, working through trusted Christian partners in Kenya, and with prayer and financial support from like-minded individuals and organisations, we are able to help some of them. To be effective, we need to provide enough support to see each child through to independence.

Footsteps International is run by Christians who are committed to putting their faith into action. They are all unpaid volunteers who use their holidays to visit Kenya, travelling at their own expense, to see for themselves the way that the lives of these disadvantaged children are being transformed, and ensuring that funds are used as intended.

Footsteps International: 2021 in figures



Where we are making a difference



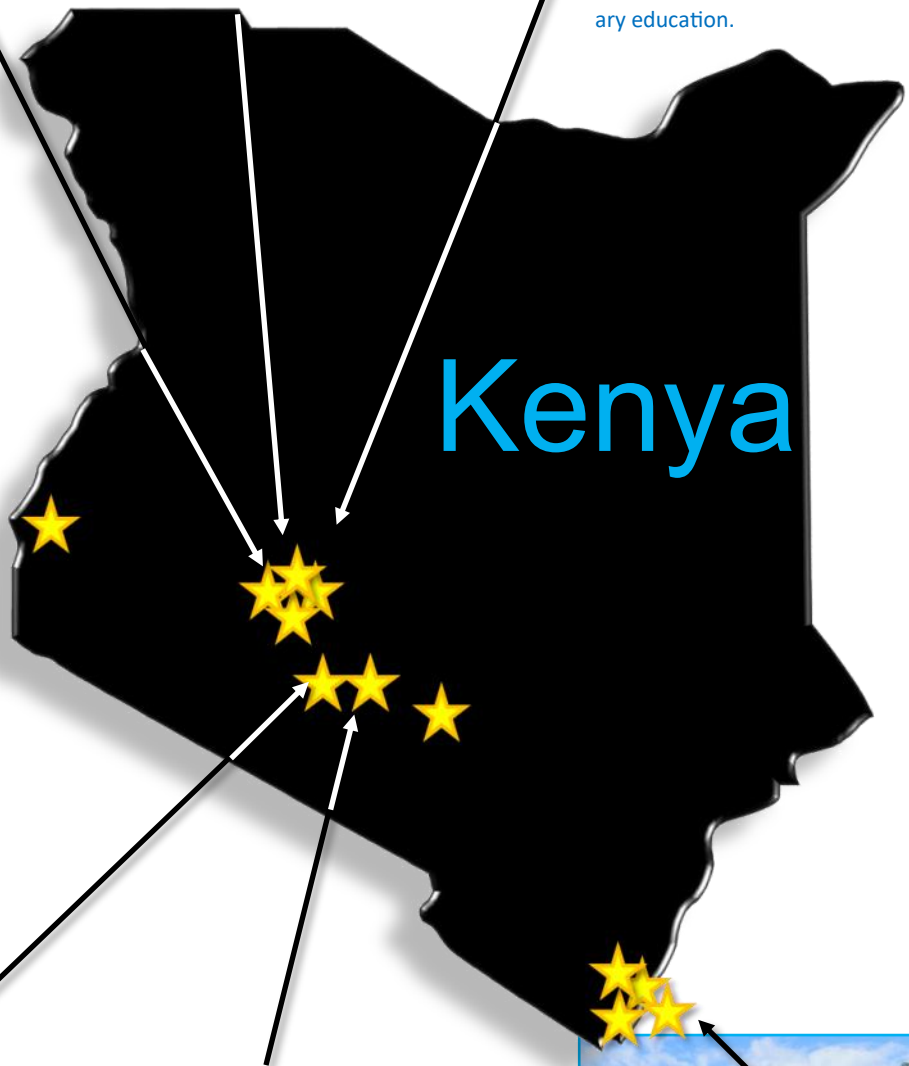
The Sunshine Centre in Naivasha is where we rescue and rehabilitate street boys (and reach out to a few vulnerable families).



The Naivasha Technical Training Institute provides the opportunity for students (many from poor families) to learn a trade that will make them financially secure.



Girls at Bishop Wambari School in Naivasha have the opportunity of an affordable high quality secondary education.



We provide free school meals for the children who live in the kwa Reuben slum close to Nairobi International Airport.



We provide a nutritious lunch each day of beans, maize and rice to the children at the Imani school in Nairobi's Kibera slum.



We fund homes for orphaned and abandoned children in Timbwani village, Mombasa

Project reports

Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre, Naivasha, Kenya

In 2021 we cared for 148 rescued street boys at the Sunshine Centre, and, when the Kenya government closed schools because of an upsurge in Covid, we implemented a successful Covid 19 emergency aid programme to keep the boys and their families safe and well.

In response to the economic hardship caused by the pandemic, we set up the Sunshine Outreach programme to provide targeted help to 6 extremely disadvantaged families.

Background

During their visit to Kenya in February 2004, trustees Martin and Mary Print were taken to meet street boys in Naivasha, Kenya. Around fifty boys and young men were living on the streets, eating rubbish thrown from a nearby hotel, sniffing glue, and regularly getting into trouble with the police for stealing.

Working with Rev Simon Kinyanjui, Director of the Naivasha Polytechnic, Footsteps committed to help the boys.

Phase 1 of the project commenced in February 2004 and involved the establishment of a feeding programme (three days a week).

Phase 2 was the construction of dormitories and a dining hall which opened in June 2004, with fifty street boys joining. During Phase 3 we built permanent buildings on a new site and the Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre was registered as an NGO in Kenya.

Many of the older boys who have moved on from the Sunshine Centre have found jobs as tailors, labourers, welders and businessmen. The staff at the Centre stay in touch with many of them after they leave.

Our strategy over recent years has been

to invest to reduce running costs, increase local income and reduce environmental impacts.

Produce from the Centre's small farm provides a steady supply of fresh fruit and vegetables, with any surplus being



STREET BOYS

Economic hardship caused by Covid drove hundreds of children to the streets.

Senior staff member Mama Chege talked to many of them before offering 25 of them a place at the Sunshine Centre where they now have a warm bed, good food and are back in school.

sold to local markets.

In January 2015 we bought South View Farm - 3 acres of farmland at Kinale, 35 km from the Centre. The land is held in trust and it is farmed commercially, with the profits providing income to the Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre.

The rainwater collection and storage system at the Sunshine Centre provides good supplies of water for most of the year, although irrigating the land is still a challenge during dry seasons.

Purefresh, a local bottled water company, rents space for its purification plant and buys water from the Sunshine borehole. Purefresh water is distributed through water shops in Naivasha; profit from water sales and rent provides income to the Centre.

Progress in 2021

By implementing a strict hygiene regime, we were able to fully re-open the Sunshine Centre in January 2021 following the disruptions caused by Covid the previous year.

We acknowledge the help of Fondation Eagle who provided a grant of £6,878 to fund a range of health and safety activities that ensured the Centre operated safely for both the boys and staff.



Former street boys from our Sunshine Centre - Samson Kabue, Philip Otieno and George Kamau - started their training courses in heavy construction operation at Kilimambogo Highway & Building Technology Institute in September.

As a result of a further wave of Covid infection in March, the Kenya government closed schools and implemented travel restrictions which necessitated us sending the boys back home.

During the 7 week closure we re-started the emergency aid programme we had run successfully the previous year, providing the boys and their families with packs of food and hygiene products that kept them safe until the restrictions eased.



Staff member Rebecca distributing the first round of emergency aid packs to former street boys from the Sunshine Centre and their families in March.

In May, Fondation Eagle awarded a further grant of £14,520 to enable us to continue providing a safe operating environment (this grant included grants to help the Naivasha Technical Training Institute and Bishop Wambari Girls School in Naivasha).

The boys all resumed their education and, in August 2021 we enrolled 25 new street boys taking the Sunshine Centre population to 148, almost three times the number we started with in 2004.

They were cared for by twenty-one staff members, including a social worker, and a part-time chaplain.

By the end of 2021, we had 78 boys former street boys attending the local government primary school, 46 in high schools, 9 were enrolled on college courses, 8 were taking a vocational training course, and 4 were at university.

Three boys who had completed school in previous years were added to a waiting list for further education or training.



Former street boy Kelvin Kiplangat arriving in Mombasa to start theological college

Sunshine Outreach programme

The Covid crisis hit the poorest of the poor hardest., and as our staff in Naivasha distributed emergency aid they came into contact with many families who were suffering extreme hardship, and we were able to help them by giving them emergency aid packs.

As the Covid threat receded, we did not feel able to simply stop helping them, so



Hannah Wanjiru's 3 children are back in school thanks to the Sunshine Outreach programme

we implemented the Sunshine Outreach programme to continue to help 6 vulnerable families by paying school fees for their children and continuing to provide a monthly food pack for one family which includes several members who have severe mental and physical disabilities.

At the end of 2021 the Sunshine Outreach programme was supporting 16 young people at school, technical college and polytechnic.

Naivasha Technical Training Institute (NTTI), Kenya

In 2021 we provided support for NTTI to re-open safely when Covid restrictions eased. We supported 350 disadvantaged young people, enabling them to acquire skills that will help them find employment.

Specific donations we received allowed us provide new tools and fund a new Digital Learning Centre at NTTI, helping the institute continue to provide training courses that meet the needs of Kenya's modernising economy.

Background

The Naivasha Polytechnic (now named the Naivasha Technical Training Institute) was established in 1986 to provide training for young people who come from poor families. Footsteps has provided financial support to NTTI since 2002 when other overseas donors withdrew their support.

Today, NTTI offers vocational courses in crafts such as welding, motor vehicle mechanics, plumbing, hairdressing and beauty, and IT.

Over recent years, the strategy has been to increase local income generation and reduce dependency on external funding. A tailoring project was initiated in 2010 to manufacture clothing such as uniforms, and NTTI set up a welding and fabrication unit to produce and sell items including windows and security gates.

Progress in 2021

The measures we funded at the end of 2020 permitted NTTI to open fully and safely in January 2021. We provided funds to support 350 students, and a generous grant from Fondation Eagle enabled us to maintain a Covid-safe regime, provide counselling to the students, and distribute water free of charge to local people to enable them to stay clean and wash clothes frequently.



Margaret and other NTTI trainees using the new hand washing facilities to combat the risk of Covid.

The grant also allowed NTTI to put an acre of land under cultivation, and by the end of the year, it was producing fresh vegetables which were given to the students to boost vitamin C levels and to combat Covid.

Despite the 7 week Covid break at Easter, student enrolment was good, and



The new area of farm at NTTI is providing trainees with a steady supply of fresh vegetables to help keep nutrition levels up to combat Covid.

NTTI ran a full complement of courses for students.



A specific donation enabled us to install a modern Digital Learning Centre at NTTI which will provide the trainees with access to on-line resources.

Bishop Wambari Girl's School, Naivasha

In 2021, we supported 11 girl students, three by sponsorship of their school fees, and the other 8 by means of bursaries to offset fee arrears. This action ensured that these girls were able to continue their education uninterrupted.

The Covid closure at Easter caused great difficulty for the school, and Footsteps made a grant of £2,136 to help pay staff wages, and we are indebted to Fondation Eagle for their generous grant which enabled the school to re-open and operate safely once the Covid shutdown was lifted.

Background

Since 2001, the Bishop Wambari Girls' Secondary School has been providing high quality education for girls, many of whom come from poor families.

The school is situated on the same plot as the Naivasha Technical Training Institute and is led by the same senior management team.

Footsteps helped build a classroom at the school in 2004, and has since provided funds for periodic capital projects such as new classrooms and dormitories.

Progress in 2021

Our support for Bishop Wambari Girls Secondary School in 2021 fell into two areas:

1. Helping the school cope with the Covid shut down at Easter and the subsequent need to maintain a safe environment for the girls and staff, and
2. Supporting 11 girls by sponsorship and bursaries to enable them to continue their education without being sent home for non-payment of fees.

The Kenya government's order to close all schools again in March 2021 presented another major crisis to the survival of the school which relies on fee income to pay teachers and fund school education expenses.



A grant from Fondation Eagle enabled the school to implement a wide range of hygiene measures that kept the girls and staff safe from Covid.

In April, we made an emergency grant to the school to enable the school to pay staff wages, and in June, a generous grant from Fondation Eagle enabled the school to implement further Covid measures including maintenance of an effective hygiene regime, counselling for the students, and enhanced rainwater storage which provided additional supplies of fresh water for washing and to irrigate the school farm.

We continued to sponsor the education of three students, but, as the economic situation worsened and many families were struggling to pay the girls' fees, we provided bursaries for a further 8 girls, paying off their fee balances, and making up shortfalls in parents' payments. By doing this, we kept the girls in school studying. Teenage girls from poor families who are not able to attend school are at high risk of getting pregnant or being exploited in other ways.

Tumaini: Hope for orphaned and abandoned children in Mombasa Kenya

In 2021, we supported 21 orphaned and abandoned children, helping them stay healthy and providing them with a normal family life. (We also provided education support for several older children who have left school - see the Future Focus report).

Background

Tumaini Children's Home was constructed as a home for orphaned and abandoned children and a school for the local community.

The land was purchased in October 2002 and is owned by the Footsteps International Orphanage Trust. Construction was funded jointly by supporters of Footsteps International and Education for Life during 2003. The home and a school complex opened on 18th February 2004.

In subsequent years it has developed to comprise:

- Accommodation for orphaned, abandoned and at-risk children;
- A Primary School, kindergarten and administrative offices operated by Education for Life. The kindergarten room is used as a church on Sundays, and is available for community activities;
- A High School (run by Education for Life);

- Stepping Stones – a 'halfway house' which provides a temporary home for some of the older children leaving the Tumaini Children's home.

We also support three groups, of children, who are cared for by foster parents in a family setting. In response to Kenya government policy and recognised good practice, our long-term aim is move towards placing all the orphaned and abandoned children we care for into foster homes.



Foster mother Everlyn Wekesa cares for four orphaned children in her tiny home along with her own children.

Progress in 2021

At the start of 2021, we were supporting 11 children at the Tumaini Children's Home and a further two children at the Stepping Stones half-way house.

We also continued our support of three groups of orphaned and abandoned children who are fostered in Timbwani village: two cared for by Lucy Shanga, four by Everlyn Wekesa, and two by village elder Njagi and his wife Constance.

The children's educations were interrupted by the Easter Covid schools shut-down, but the children remained healthy and resumed school as soon as the restrictions were lifted.

We funded courses for the following former Tumaini children (all of which were disrupted by the Covid restrictions): Doreen Kagendo (HR Management), Grace Mutiso (Early Childhood Development Education), and Mike Okwara (Animal Health and Production - course start delayed until January 2021).

Future Focus

In 2021, we consolidated various higher education initiatives for the Mombasa-based children into a single programme called Future Focus.

Background

As orphaned and abandoned children complete school and reach the age where they leave home, we continue our care for them by placing them on appropriate further education and training courses. The courses are focused on enabling the young person acquire sufficient skills to become independent, wage-earning adults.

Progress in 2021

In 2021 we set up the Future Focus programme which is administered by our partners Education for Life who operate the Tumaini primary and secondary schools, and oversee our Tumaini Children's Home.



Orphan Joshua Mutiso completed high school in April and we funded him to take an electrical installation course at Shanzu TTI

We funded education and living costs for 16 students who are taking a wide range of courses:

Kelvin Akweyu (ICT – Diploma), Anthony Karanja (Plumbing and Masonry), Brian

Mwenda (Plumbing and Masonry), Bernard Machache (ICT – Certificate), Alex Gohala (ICT – Diploma), Emmanuel Gitai (Construction machine operation), Benard Wesamba (Plumbing), Naomi Munyoki (Health records and IT), Caroline Munyoki (Journalism and Mass communication), Mike Okwara (Computer Science), Joshua Kitela Mutiso (Electrical Installation), James Muema (Plumbing), Festus Mucia (B.Sc. Animal health and production), Agricolar Machocho (Diploma in HR Management), Emmaculate Mueni (Health records and IT), Doreen Kagendo (HR Management).



Naomi Munyoki started her certificate in health records and information technology course at Nairobi Women's Hospital College in September.

Church on the Rock School, Nairobi

In 2021, we boosted the health and education of 330 children in Nairobi's slums by providing free school meals.

Background

Church on the Rock School is a private school situated in the kwa Reuben area of Nairobi. The school occupies a tiny plot sandwiched between slum dwellings.

Footsteps International has been linked with the school since 2005 when we started to donate funds for the school to provide a meal of beans and maize to the 260 children one day a week. Since then, the school population has increased to 335, and Footsteps has progressively increased its level of support so that we now pro-

vide sufficient funds for each child to have a free school meal every school day.

As a result of the regular, nutritious meals, the children's health has improved which, in turn, improves attendance and academic results.

Over the past few years, we have also been able to upgrade classrooms, install rainwater harvesting, and replace desks and books.

Progress in 2021

Like all schools in Kenya, Church on the Rock School had to close in March 2021 due to Covid 19, but was able to reopen in May when the restrictions were lifted.

We provided funds to provide each of the 335 children at the school with a free lunch of beans, maize and rice. The Kenya government inserted a fourth term into the school year to try to catch up on education lost during the Covid closures. This meant we had to fund meals for the additional fourth term.

Keeping nutrition levels high is a key element in the fight to combat Covid, and there were no reported cases among the children.



We boosted the health of 335 children at the Church on the Rock School in Nairobi's slums by providing nutritious free school meals of beans, maize and rice.

Footsteps also sponsored high school education for four former students whose parents are too poor to afford the fees. We also paid the additional fees for the extra Covid 'catch up' term, keeping them all in school.

Imani pre-school, Kibera, Nairobi

Background

In 2012, Footsteps trustees established a connection with a nursery school in the Kibera slum in Nairobi (considered by many to be Africa's largest slum).

The Imani pre-school is run by Peter Katei (an employee of Kenya Wildlife Service) and his wife Lucy on a plot of land on which Peter's house once stood.

The school provides pre-school education to around 45 children who live near the school in the Kibera slum.



Children wearing face masks at Imani pre-school in the Kibera slum greet the arrival of beans, maize and rice which give them with a free school meal each day.

Progress in 2021

The Imani pre-school had to close in March 2021 as a result of the government-imposed Covid restrictions, but reopened after seven weeks when the restrictions were lifted.

We continue to support the school by providing funds to buy beans, maize and rice, and we also gave funds for the school to buy disinfectants and face masks that provided a hygienic environment for the children (which is a challenge at the best of times in the slum).

Community health Mombasa

In 2021 we supported Vivian Amwayi who provided HIV testing and counselling services to the local community.

Background

Since 2015, Footsteps has supported a community health outreach to villages in remote rural areas south of Mombasa by funding the salary of Vivian Amwayi, one of the orphaned girls we cared for at the Tumaini Children's Home for many years.

As part of a team, Vivian provided basic health care treatments for worms, fungal skin diseases and other common low-level ailments to approximately 1,500 people who survive by subsistence farming.

Vivian also ran health care improvement training sessions, informing the community about the importance of using clean water, hand washing, the importance of immunisation and good nutrition for babies and children, and other basic health care topics.

Progress in 2021

The ongoing Covid situation meant that Vivian spent most of her time working at the Mrima Hospital which is in Mombasa County and close to her home.

At Mrima Hospital, she continued to provide HIV testing and counselling services, focussing primarily on women with, or at risk of, HIV and advising them on how to maintain their health and stop their babies from acquiring HIV (PMTCT).

When she was able, she also spent time at the Living Well clinic in Makwangani, Shimba Hills, providing support to the clinicians who operate this remote rural health facility.

Small is Beautiful - farming project, Bondo, Kenya

Background

The aim of Small is Beautiful is to help boost crop yields and provide food to local schools for school meals in Bondo,

Western Kenya which is economically deprived, and suffers from a high incidence of malaria and HIV.

Progress in 2021

In 2021, we made a donation to provide dry food for people who were suffering from the economic consequences of the Covid pandemic.

Education sponsorship in rural Kenya

In 2021 Footsteps received a specific donation to make a grant to Syomunyu Girls High School. This was used by the school to provide education bursaries for 44 students whose parents have difficulty paying school fees.

The school principal, Jacqueline Mutunga, wrote to express her appreciation for the bursaries, and mentioned that 10 of the school students had been admitted to university, 7 of which were bursary beneficiaries:

K.C.S E Results are out for 2020 candidate class and we have managed to take 10 students to university among which 7 have benefited from your bursary they are.

Mercy Sammy	C+	49 Points
Christine Musili	C+	48 Points
Jackline Mwikali	C+	46 Points
Joy Kyalo	C+	46 Points
Felistus Mbithi	C+	46 Points
Mercy Mwanzia	C+	48 Points
Lucy Vilita	C+	47 Points
Frida Muthoni	C+	52 Points
Jane Joseph	C+	50 points

We had a mean of 5.41 and the second best in the sub county.

What your help means to us

Throughout the year we received many reports, letters, emails, WhatsApp and text messages from those whose lives have been transformed with the generous help of our supporters. Here is a small selection that we found very encouraging:



Samuel Kamau lived on the streets for a year before being admitted to our Sunshine Centre in 2009.

We placed him in primary school and supported him through high school and university where he completed a degree in psychology.

He sent us this photo taken during a break at work at the Women Enterprise Fund in Nyandarua county, Kenya where he is a trainer of trainers.



John Mbogo ran away from his poverty-stricken dysfunctional family and went to live with a gang of boys on the streets of Naivasha.

Aged 13, John joined the Sunshine Centre in 2005, and re-joined primary school to continue his education.

He visited the Sunshine Centre with one of his two sons and explained that he is married and now has a job as a salesman in Thika.



Dancun Kariuki was a street boy for three years before being admitted to our Sunshine Centre. We helped him complete school, then to train as a plumber.

He told us, "In 2020, I went for an interview with the Naivasha Water and Sanitation Company, and was recruited for a job as a plumber. I am now responsible for repairing and maintaining water pipes, installing new connections and reading water meters."



Financial summary

The full results and financial position for the year are shown in the financial statements (page 17 onwards).

Our income in 2021 was £256,392 (£325,723 in 2020). Expenditure to support our projects in 2021 was £245,461 (£313,933 in 2020). Administrative costs were less than 1% of expenditure.

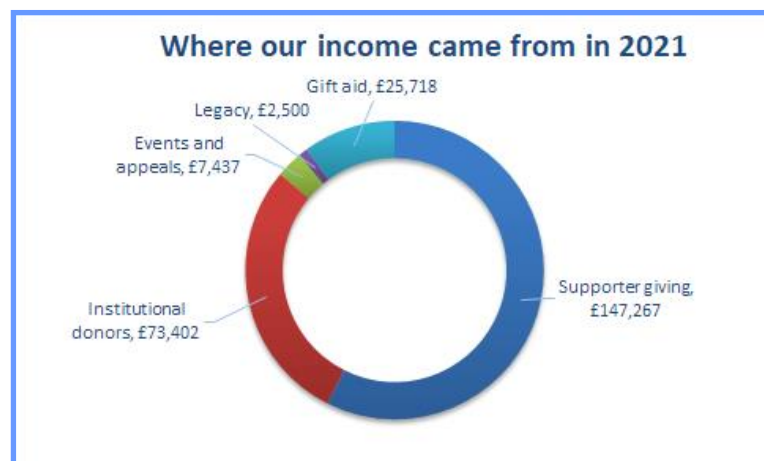
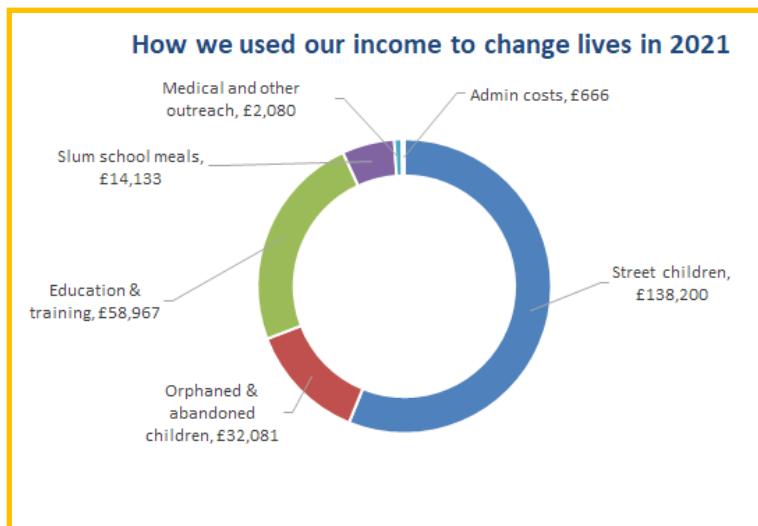
For the first quarter of the year, our projects returned to normal operation, although with significant additional expenditure on enhanced hygiene measures. In response to an upsurge in cases of Covid, the Kenya government closed schools and ordered children to return home for 7 weeks at the end of March. During this time we operated an emergency aid programme for the boys from our Sunshine Centre and their families, managing to keep them all well

Once the restrictions were lifted, our projects returned to normal, but we had to fund an additional fourth term of education as the Kenya government ordered schools to catch up teaching time that had been lost to Covid. The figures in the graph opposite include the costs of this.

Currency exchange rates stayed relatively stable between 147 and 151 Kenya shillings to the GB pound.

We are immensely grateful to the hundreds of donors who made our work possible, many wish to remain anonymous. We are grateful to Fondation Eagle for making a grant of £14,520 in May 2021 which helped us implement a Covid-safe regime at the Sunshine Centre, NTTI and Bishop Wambari School, keeping young people and staff safe. We also thank Project Possible (formerly known as the Rope Charitable Trust) for partnering directly with the Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre.

We reviewed our supporter list and removed those with whom we had not been in contact with for several years, ending the year with 639 individuals and churches who we keep up to date by paper newsletters and email .



PARTNERS

Each child is unique and special

While trustees have the enjoyment of visiting Kenya (under normal circumstances), we cannot provide the children the love and care they need without the help of our staff and many generous donors - thank you!

Future plans

Footsteps undertakes long-term development projects to transform the lives of disadvantaged children and adults.

We will need to continue to invest resources to keep all our projects operating safely while we deal with the continuing impacts of the Covid 19 pandemic, and we will need to fund a fourth term as schools try to catch up education time lost during Covid closures.

In the light of this, our plans for 2022 are as follows:

Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre:

We will offer places to 17 new street boys in May after 17 existing Sunshine Centre boys move on to secondary school.

We will continue with the Sunshine Outreach programme which provides vital help to a small number of extremely impoverished families, providing practical help and minimising the risk that their children will migrate to the streets.

Including the boys at the Sunshine Centre and boys and girls on the Outreach programme, we expect to support 161 beneficiaries.

We will continue to farm land at the Sunshine Centre and South View Farm to

provide vegetables to eat, and income to offset running costs. Sales of water from the Sunshine borehole will provide income to the project.

We will seek to implement further environmental improvements that reduce costs and increase the potential to provide local income.

Tumaini:

Continue to care for 21 orphaned and abandoned children at the Tumaini Children's Home and with foster families in the community.

We expect four of these children to complete high school in April, and plan to fund tertiary education or training courses for them under the Future Focus programme. This will maximise their opportunities of finding rewarding employment.

Naivasha Technical Training Institute:

Continue to provide support for trainees. In the long-term, our aim remains to work together with the NTTI management team to find ways to increase local income.

We will seek to fund replacement tools and capital projects that increase NTTI's

ability to provide courses that meet the needs of Kenya's modernising economy.

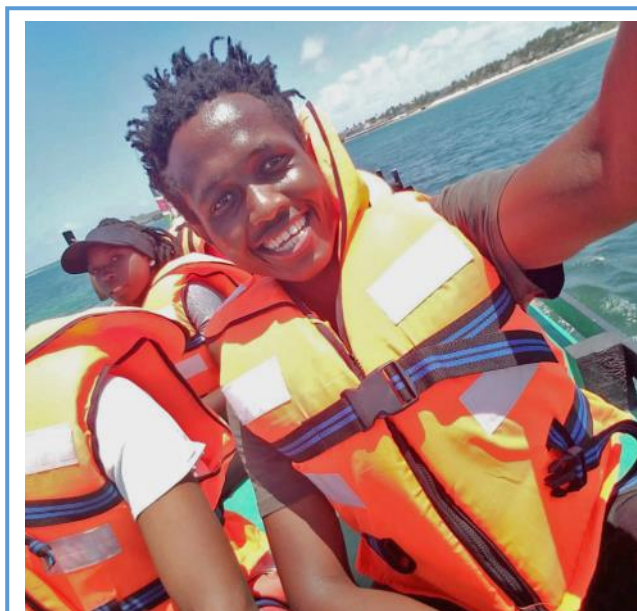
Slum schools:

To maintain funding for school meals at the two schools in Nairobi's slums, so that all the children can have free lunches each term day.

To support high school education for 5 bright students from poor families, enabling them to continue their education.

Future Focus

We will continue to support this programme which is providing 16 talented but disadvantaged young people with employment-focused higher education that they would otherwise not receive.



HOPE

Looking forward to a bright future

Former street boy Samuel Kamau is nearing the end of his Tourism course. As Kenya's wildlife parks re-open after the pandemic, Samuel is hoping for a job showing visitors the wonders of Kenya's wildlife.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

Footsteps International was inaugurated in November 2001 and registered with the Charity Commission (number 1091026) in March 2002. The aims and objectives of Footsteps International are set out in the Declaration of Trust dated 7th February, 2002. The principal object is the relief of need, sickness and distress in Africa by the provision of financial and material assistance.

Objectives

Footsteps International aims to relieve the effects of poverty, disease and disability in some of the world's poorest communities. Our focus is primarily but not exclusively on projects that the trustees know personally and which they can visit to review progress.

Public benefit

In setting our programme and projects each year the trustees have regard to both the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, and prevention and relief of poverty for the public benefit. Our projects are always in line with our charitable objects and carried out for the public benefit in three main areas of activity:

- caring for children in need,
- education and training poor and deprived young people, and
- fighting poverty and disability.

Footsteps does not discriminate against any needy person on the grounds of their religion, tribe or nationality.

Appointment and training of Trustees

The board of trustees is responsible for all major decisions affecting the work of the charity, and invites and appoints new trustees as required to strengthen the management team. The trustees are all

Christians who are committed to putting their faith into action.

Trustees are apprised of their responsibilities using Charity Commission literature, and all have visited Footsteps supported projects in Kenya. All the Trustees



MONITOR

Covid 19 prevented trustees visiting Kenya in 2021, but we maintained daily contact with our teams using WhatsApp, email, and occasional Zoom calls.

We hope to resume trustee visits in 2022.

are volunteers, and do not receive any reimbursement for their work for the charity; no fares or other travel expenses are paid to the Trustees.

Organisation

The board of trustees meets formally twice a year, and communicates by phone and email as necessary in between. Day-to-day operational decisions are taken by Martin and Mary Print, and financial and administrative support is provided by the treasurer, Ben Gardner.

Trustees were unable to travel to Kenya in 2021 because of the Covid 19 crisis, but maintained regular contact by

WhatsApp, email, phone and Zoom. We hope to resume trustee visits in 2022.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the surplus or deficit of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue its operations.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Investment powers and policy

Footsteps International's trust deed permits wide powers of investment. The current policy is to hold all investments in the form of bank deposits. Cash that is not required for immediate use on projects is placed into a higher interest account.

Reserves Policy

The policy of the trustees is to put donors' funds to immediate use as far as possible. In the case of an emergency, an appeal would be made for additional funds. However, it is important that a regular flow of funds is maintained to

the projects as a high proportion of the disbursed funds go towards food, salaries, clothing and medical costs.

At the end of the year, Footsteps had unrestricted reserves of £43,022 which amounts to around six weeks' requirements.

Risk Management

The trustees have assessed the financial and operational risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the major risks.

The principle direct risks to Footsteps International are considered to relate to financial issues. However, the trustees also worked with local partners to identify other risks, especially to children cared for at the various projects, and have identified appropriate mitigating actions. The risk assessment is reviewed at each formal meeting of the trustees.

Policies

To strengthen the management of the charity, the trustees have put in place policies covering:

- Child Protection and Vulnerable Adults
- Financial controls
- Expenses and decision making authorities
- Investment
- Reserves
- Conflict of Interest
- Complaints
- Risk Management
- Volunteers
- Data protection and privacy

Overseas partners

Footsteps International funds and supports the work of a number of trusted, local partners in Kenya. During 2021 our main partners were:

- Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre, Naivasha,
- AIC Naivasha Polytechnic, Naivasha,

- Church on the Rock School, Nairobi,
- Education for Life, Mombasa.



GROW

Sunshine boys help harvest kale in the greenhouses at the Sunshine Centre, keeping them healthy and teaching them useful life skills.



Potential

Laptops give access to the world

Former street boy Ben Ndichu proudly holds up a laptop as he leaves the Sunshine Centre to start his college course.

As Kenya's economy modernises and teaching methods change, all college students have to be able to access on-line resources to realise their full potential.

Reference and administrative information

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER:	1091026
REGISTERED OFFICE:	79 Lynwood Grove Orpington Kent BR6 0BQ
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TREASURER	Ben Gardner
BANKERS	Barclays Bank plc The Bromley Group PO Box 1 Bromley BR1 1NL
ACCOUNTANT & INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Oak Accounting Ltd 27 Bascott Road Wallisdown Bournemouth BH11 8RJS

APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

(Chairman of Trustees)

(Secretary)

Date: _____

Financial statements

**FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2021**

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Footsteps International

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021 which are set out on pages 2 to 9.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees of Footsteps International 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 Footsteps International'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

Since Footsteps International's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of Association of Accounting Technicians, which is one of the listed bodies.

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 Footsteps International as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

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Sue Wintle
Independent Examiner
Association of Accounting Technicians

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Date:.....

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and legacies		206,940	49,408	256,348	325,723
Investment income	3	5	-	5	46
Other income		39	-	39	137
Total Income		<u>206,984</u>	<u>49,408</u>	<u>256,392</u>	<u>325,906</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities		(194,868)	(51,259)	(246,127)	(314,666)
Total Expenditure		<u>(194,868)</u>	<u>(51,259)</u>	<u>(246,127)</u>	<u>(314,666)</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		12,116	(1,851)	10,265	11,240
Gross transfers between funds		(2,678)	2,678	-	-
Net movement in funds		9,438	827	10,265	11,240
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>33,584</u>	<u>102</u>	<u>33,686</u>	<u>22,446</u>
Total funds carried forward	10	<u><u>43,022</u></u>	<u><u>929</u></u>	<u><u>43,951</u></u>	<u><u>33,686</u></u>

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

(Registration number: 1091026)
Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Current assets			
Debtors	7	7,413	4,763
Cash at bank and in hand	8	<u>36,863</u>	<u>29,243</u>
		44,276	34,006
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(325)</u>	<u>(320)</u>
Net assets		<u>43,951</u>	<u>33,686</u>
Funds of the charity:			
Restricted income funds			
Restricted funds	10	929	103
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		<u>43,022</u>	<u>33,583</u>
Total funds	10	<u>43,951</u>	<u>33,686</u>

The financial statements on pages 19 to 26 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on and signed on their behalf by:

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Mr Martin Print
Trustee

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

1 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation

Footsteps International meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement

The charity opted to early adopt Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016 and have therefore not included a cash flow statement in these financial statements.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Income and endowments

Voluntary income is received by way of donations and gifts. It is shown in full in the Statement of Financial Activities, when received. Gifts in kind are valued at their estimated value to the charity and are included under the appropriate headings.

Also included under this heading is income from fund raising activities.

Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

Investment income

Dividends are recognised once the dividend has been declared and notification has been received of the dividend due.

Expenditure

The charity's expenditure is mostly grants for projects, with a small amount of administration costs.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Grant provisions

Provisions for grants are made when the intention to make a grant has been communicated to the recipient but there is uncertainty about either the timing of the grant or the amount of grant payable.

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Support costs

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, for example, allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees's discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Restricted income funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Donations and legacies;			
Donations to major appeals	178,698	49,408	228,106
Legacies	2,500	-	2,500
Gift aid reclaimed	25,742	-	25,742
Total for 2021	206,940	49,408	256,348
Total for 2020	268,805	56,918	325,723

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3 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Interest receivable and similar income;		
Interest receivable on bank deposits	5	5
Total for 2021	5	5
Total for 2020	46	46

4 Grant-making

Analysis of grants

	Grants to institutions	
	2021	2020
	£	£
Analysis		
Tumaini Children's Home	32,081	27,395
NATETI	32,318	73,788
Imani Nursery School - Kibera	609	871
Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre	138,200	128,562
Church on the Rock School	13,524	15,073
Education for Life Sponsorship	4,572	5,172
New Hope	-	17,727
J&K Scott	2,000	-
Small is Beautiful	400	1,500
Vivian - Community Health	1,680	1,680
Future Focus	11,117	-
Bishop Wambari School	8,960	42,165
	245,461	313,933

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

5 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses or any other benefits from the charity during the year.

Donations made by the trustees without any conditions attached totalled £15,700 for the year (2020 - £19,805).

6 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

7 Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Other debtors	<u>7,413</u>	<u>4,763</u>

8 Cash and cash equivalents

	2021 £	2020 £
Cash at bank	<u>36,863</u>	<u>29,243</u>

9 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Accruals	<u>325</u>	<u>320</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

10 Funds

	Balance at 1 January 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 December 2021 £
Unrestricted funds					
<i>General</i>					
General Fund	33,583	206,984	(194,867)	(2,678)	43,022
Restricted funds					
Small is Beautiful	140	240	(380)	-	-
Church on the Rock School	-	1,540	(1,445)	-	95
Education for Life sponsorship	(287)	2,448	(3,409)	1,248	-
New Hope	-	400	(400)	-	-
Tumaini Children's home	-	1,000	(1,000)	-	-
Sunshine rehabilitation centre	-	34,636	(33,917)	-	719
Wambari School	-	710	(710)	-	-
Vivian - Community Health	250	-	(1,680)	1,430	-
J&K Scott Sponsorship	-	2,000	(2,000)	-	-
Naivasha Technical Training Institute	-	6,435	(6,320)	-	115
Total restricted funds	<u>103</u>	<u>49,409</u>	<u>(51,261)</u>	<u>2,678</u>	<u>929</u>
Total funds	<u><u>33,686</u></u>	<u><u>256,393</u></u>	<u><u>(246,128)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>43,951</u></u>
	Balance at 1 January 2020 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £		Balance at 31 December 2020 £
Unrestricted funds					
<i>General</i>					
General Fund	20,764	268,988	(256,169)		33,583
Restricted					
Small is Beautiful	1,400	240	(1,500)		140
Church on the Rock School	-	4,215	(4,215)		-
Education for Life sponsorship	-	3,120	(3,407)		(287)
NATETI	-	1,380	(1,380)		-
New Hope	-	960	(960)		-
Sunshine rehabilitation centre	-	40,411	(40,411)		-
Wambari School	282	4,662	(4,944)		-
Vivian - Community Health	-	1,930	(1,680)		250
Total restricted funds	<u>1,682</u>	<u>56,918</u>	<u>(58,497)</u>		<u>103</u>
Total funds	<u><u>22,446</u></u>	<u><u>325,906</u></u>	<u><u>(314,666)</u></u>		<u><u>33,686</u></u>

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	Balance at 1 January 2020 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 December 2020 £
11 Analysis of net assets between funds				
		Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds at 31 December 2021 £
Current assets		43,347	929	44,276
Current liabilities		(325)	-	(325)
Total net assets		43,022	929	43,951
		Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds at 31 December 2020 £
Current assets		33,903	103	34,006
Current liabilities		(320)	-	(320)
Total net assets		33,583	103	33,686

FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

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Trustees' Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2020



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About Footsteps International

In Kenya, there are estimated to be 250,000 children living on the streets, 2.6 million orphans, and 2 million children whose home is in a slum. Each child is severely disadvantaged, yet has dreams and aspirations for a better life.

We cannot help all of them. But, working through trusted Christian partners in Kenya, and with prayer and financial support from like-minded individuals and organisations, we are able to help some of them. To be effective, we need to provide enough support to see each child through to independence.

Footsteps International is run by Christians who are committed to putting their faith into action. They are all unpaid volunteers who use their holidays to visit Kenya, travelling at their own expense, to see for themselves the way that the lives of these disadvantaged children are being transformed, and ensuring that funds are used as intended.

Footsteps International: 2020 in figures



Where we are making a difference



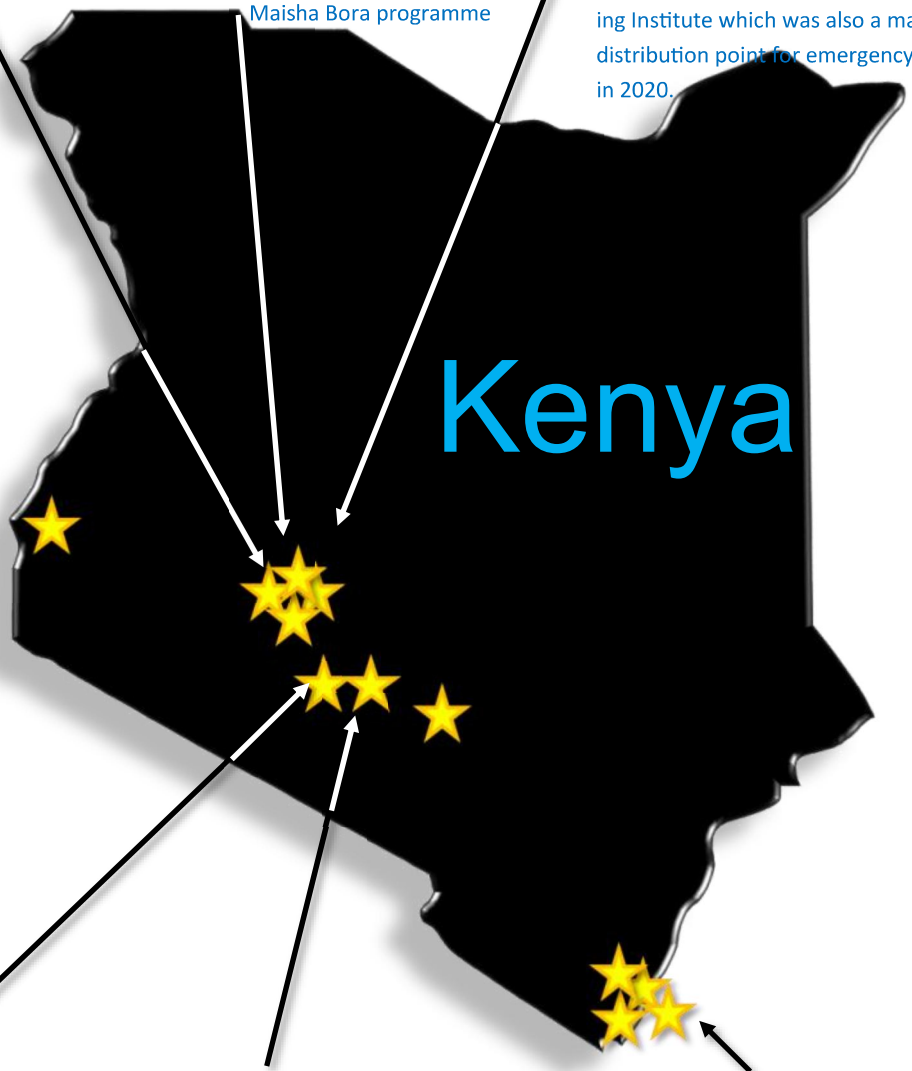
Joseph Njuguna is in his final year studying electrical engineering - one of 142 former street boys we supported through the Sunshine Centre. The Centre was a major distribution point for emergency aid in 2020.



Orphan John Rwambo's civil engineering course at Kiambu Institute was interrupted by Covid, but he resumed in November. He is one of 45 students on the Maisha Bora programme



Brian Mwenda training to be a plumber - one of 350 students we helped at Naivasha Technical Training Institute which was also a major distribution point for emergency aid in 2020.



We supplied free school meals for 380 children who attend school in Nairobi's slums, helping boost the children's health and school attendance.



Church on the Rock school was a major distribution centre for emergency aid.



Everlyn Wekesa ensured that orphaned children Nora, Purity, David and Chris she fosters stayed safe and well through the Covid emergency.

Project reports

Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre, Naivasha, Kenya

In 2020 we cared for 142 rescued street boys at the Sunshine Centre, and ran a successful Covid 19 emergency aid programme to keep the boys and their families safe and well.

Background

During their visit to Kenya in February 2004, trustees Martin and Mary Print were taken to meet street boys in Naivasha, Kenya. Around fifty boys and young men were living on the streets, eating rubbish thrown from a nearby hotel, sniffing glue, and regularly getting into trouble with the police for stealing.

Working with Rev Simon Kinyanjui, Director of the Naivasha Polytechnic, Footsteps committed to help the boys.

Phase 1 of the project commenced in February 2004 and involved the establishment of a feeding programme (three days a week).

Phase 2 was the construction of dormitories and a dining hall which opened in June 2004, with fifty street boys joining. During Phase 3 we built permanent buildings on a new site and the Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre was registered as an NGO in Kenya.

Many of the older boys who have moved on from the Sunshine Centre have found jobs as tailors, labourers, welders and businessmen. The staff at the Centre stay in touch with many of them after they leave.

Our strategy over recent years has been to invest to reduce running costs, increase local income and reduce environmental impacts.

In January 2015 we bought South View Farm- 3 acres of farmland at Kinale, 35 km from the Centre. The land is held in trust and it is farmed commercially, with

the profits providing income to the Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre.

Produce from the Centre's five greenhouses provides a steady supply of fresh fruit and vegetables, with any surplus being sold to local markets.



STREET BOYS

Footsteps rehabilitated 142 street boys at the Sunshine Centre, Naivasha, Kenya.

Joseph Chege is aiming high - he wants to train to be a doctor after he finishes Kiambu High School. Social worker Simon is on hand to encourage him.

The rainwater collection and storage system at the Sunshine Centre provides good supplies of water for most of the year, although irrigating the land is still challenging during dry seasons.

Purefresh, a local bottled water company, rents space for its purification plant and buys water from the Sunshine borehole. Purefresh water is distributed through water shops in Naivasha; profit from water sales and rent provides income to the Centre.

Progress in 2020

In January 2020 we enrolled 23 new street boys taking the Sunshine Centre population to 142,¹ almost three times the number we started with in 2004.

The boys were cared for by nineteen staff members, including a social worker, and a part-time chaplain.

From January to March, 78 boys attended the local government primary school, 47 attended high schools, 4 enrolled on college courses, one took a vocational training course, and 2 continued university courses. Seven boys who had completed school in previous years were added to a waiting list for further education, and one boy was referred in his final year at technical college and required to re-sit exams.



Former street boy Kelvin Otieno secured employment with Safaricom, Kenya's leading telecoms company. The photos show him at the Sunshine Centre in 2015, and in his Safaricom office in 2020.

1. We also provided support for 3 girls, the sisters of one of our Sunshine Boys, helping them stay with their parents rather than going to live on the streets.

In February, three Footsteps trustees visited the Sunshine Centre and spent time with the boys and staff. They also visited some of the boys who were at high school (these boys are resident at school during term time rather than at the Sunshine Centre).

The first case of Covid-19 was reported in Kenya on 13th March, and shortly after that, the government ordered businesses and schools to close and imposed severe restrictions on the movement of people around the country. The impact of these actions on the economy was immediate - the tourism and hotel industry collapsed, flower farms closed, and small business owners saw their earnings disappear overnight.

The Sunshine Centre was forced to close, and the boys were sent back to stay with parents or other guardians wherever possible.



Staff member Rebecca distributing the first round of emergency aid packs to former street boys from the Sunshine Centre and their families in March.

This immediately put the boys back into the conditions that had caused them to run away from home to the streets in the first place. With no immediate end to the crisis in sight, and with a high risk of the boys reverting to street life, we agreed we would launch a programme of emergency aid to the boys, and also their families as it would be impossible just to feed one member of the family and ignore the others. We also agreed to continue to pay the Sunshine Centre staff in

full as they would be instrumental in organising the emergency aid, and it was essential to keep the team together for the time when the Centre re-opened.

The first emergency aid distribution took part on 25 March, and was focussed initially on the 10 families of boys who had most recently joined the Sunshine Centre and who were considered to be at the highest risk of reverting the streets.

Each family received basic food which was in stock at the Sunshine Centre, supplemented with vegetables that were growing on the Centre's farm.



April's emergency aid packs ready for distribution in the Sunshine Centre dining hall

On 3rd April, we received a grant of £27,388 from Swiss NGO Fondation Egle, which was allocated to continuing (and scaling up) the emergency aid effort for a further three months (the grant included funds for a similar emergency aid programme for people in difficulties in Naivasha town (see the report for the Naivasha Technical Training Institute on page 7).

In April, the emergency aid programme shifted up a gear, and the Sunshine Centre team distributed 100 emergency packs, ensuring that each boy's family received basic food, soap and vegetables. In total we helped 602 beneficiaries (we have several sets of brothers at the Sunshine Centre, and the average family size is 6 individuals).

Families that lived close by were able to

visit the Sunshine Centre to collect their aid packs, and this provided our staff with the opportunity to check on the well-being of the boys and their family, to provide advice on how to minimise the risk of catching Covid 19, and to pray for the families, many of whom were frightened by both the disease and the dire economic hardship they were facing.

To minimise the risks of causing a riot when the food was distributed, the families were called to collect their aid, were checked by security guards on arrival, and for those that needed it, the Centre staff organised transport to take the family and their packs home safely.

Many of the Sunshine Boys live a long way from the Centre (street boys tend to migrate across the country). In April, our team delivered emergency aid to the outlying boys and their families by car, but in May, the government of Kenya imposed tighter travel restrictions, making this impossible.

To get round this problem, the following month Sunshine Centre staff organised a system using Kenya's cash-by-phone system Mpesa to pay shops near the boys' homes for the emergency supplies; the boys and their families were then notified and went to the store to collect their pre-paid food and hygiene products.

Where possible, the beneficiary families sent photos to the Sunshine Centre to show they had received the aid packs,



Transport was laid on to ensure that families could get their emergency aid packs home safely.



We used Kenya's Mpesa cash-by-phone system to pay for emergency packs for Kelvin Kiplangat and his family who live in Rongai, 100 km from the Sunshine

although this was not always possible as some families did not own a phone that could take photos.

The grant from Fondation Eagle paid for emergency aid for three months (April to June inclusive), and encouraged others to donate too. By then it was clear that the crisis was far from over. The Kenya government announced that education establishments would not re-open until January (although in fact this changed subsequently), and we realised we needed to continue the aid programme until the end of the year.

Each month we distributed between 100 and 125 aid packs, reaching over 600 beneficiaries each month. In total, by December, we had given out 1,056 packs, helped by a further grant of £9,772 in October from Fondation Eagle.

To the best of our knowledge, none of the boys reverted to the streets, and none of the boys or their families have

suffered from Covid 19.

As the lockdown continued, universities began to develop on-line tuition and learning materials, so the two Sunshine Boys who are at university were able to partially resume their studies.

In November, schools in Kenya were ordered to start a limited reopening (2 primary school years and one secondary school year). At this point, we re-opened the Sunshine Centre and 35 boys resumed their interrupted education (23 of these were resident at the Centre, with the remainder boarding at school).



Sunshine Centre security guard Fredrick Mose checks Victor Ochieng's temperature as he arrives at the Sunshine Centre gates.

The staff ensured they had implemented all the required health protocols in line with government requirements, and the staff and boys received training on actions they need to take to minimise the risk of catching and spreading Covid 19.

Pedal-operated water stations with liquid soap were installed at the main entrance gate, the security guards were

issued with thermal guns and instructed how to check and record the temperature of all arrivals, and visitors are only allowed to enter the administrative building.

The boys' temperatures were measured when going to and coming from school, and all boys and staff are required to wear masks within the compound.

Commonly used surfaces are regularly disinfected, and Covid 19 communication information has been installed as a constant reminder of the need for infection prevention.

In November, the Sunshine Centre management team developed a strategy for full re-opening of the Centre in January, addressing the need to provide a marquee and extra chairs for social distancing, additional hygiene measures and further training for both the staff and the returning boys. Once again, Fondation Eagle was an enormous help to us, awarding a grant of £8,429 to cover the additional expenditure.



During the Covid 19 crisis we invested in improved greenhouses and irrigation systems, helping produce more vegetables to give away, and providing a lasting benefit to the Centre



We made significant investments to reduce the risk of the Sunshine Boys and staff catching Covid 19. This included providing face masks, soap and handwashing facilities, and anti-viral spray equipment for use in heavily trafficked areas.

The Fondation Eagle grant in April allowed us to repair a greenhouse and install drip kits for improved irrigation. Both these measures boosted the quantity of vegetables that were available to give away in the emergency packs, and will continue to provide fresh vegetables for the Sunshine Boys for many years to come.

Naivasha Technical Training Institute (NTTI), Kenya

In 2020 we supported 350 disadvantaged young people at NTTI to enable them to acquire skills that will help them find employment. We mounted an effective aid campaign that supported more than 100 families who were badly hit by the economic crisis, and paid wages to ensure that NTTI would survive to continue its work when the Covid 19 crisis was over.

Background

The Naivasha Polytechnic (now named the Naivasha Technical Training Institute) was established in 1986 to provide training for young people who come from poor families. Footsteps has provided financial support to NTTI since 2002 when other overseas donors withdrew their support.

Today, NTTI offers vocational courses in crafts such as welding, motor vehicle mechanics, plumbing, hairdressing and beauty, and IT.

Over recent years, the strategy has been to increase local income generation and reduce dependency on external funding. A tailoring project was initiated in 2010 to manufacture clothing such as uniforms, and NTTI set up a welding and fabrication unit to produce and sell items including windows and security gates.



A student at NTTI demonstrates her dressmaking skills using a recently donated modern Singer sewing machine.

Progress in 2020

For the first term, 2020, Footsteps provided direct financial support to NTTI that equated to the provision of approximately 50 training places.

When trustees visited in February, there was an air of optimism: student recruitment was high, and the management team were very happy to have received donations of new tools and equipment to enable them to modernise training.



The Covid crisis hit widow Hannah Wanjiru and her family hard, so she was grateful for the regular emergency aid packs she received.

Along with all other educational establishments, NTTI was forced to close at the end of March due to the Covid 19 restrictions imposed by the Kenya government. This immediately threatened the viability of the Institute as there was no income from student fees.

At the same time, the economic consequences of the shutdown became apparent. Hotels and the tourism industry shut down, and many flower farms either closed or dramatically scaled back output as European markets dried up. These industries are mainstays of the local economy in Naivasha, so the shutdowns caused an immediate rise in unemployment which impacted many smaller businesses that depend on them and their workforces for survival.

Facing an existential crisis within NTTI and a wider crisis in the local community, we held discussions with the NTTI

director Rev Simon Kinyanjui, and agreed that we would launch an emergency aid programme targeting the 100 most vulnerable families, many of whom had children who had been attending NTTI. We also agreed to pay part of the NTTI wage bill to ensure that staff could survive until the Institute was able to re-open.

We are deeply grateful to Fondation Eagle who gave a grant of £8,150 to provide emergency aid packs and free fresh water from the NTTI borehole for the first three months, and a further grant of £4,151 for the November aid distribution. This was a huge help in keeping families healthy, and the grant encouraged other donors to contribute to keep the programme going until the end of the year, by which time we had distributed 1,018 family aid packs (the families averaged 5 individuals each), and had issued around 380,000 litres of fresh water to enable families to wash regularly and thereby minimise the risk of catching and spreading Covid 19.

In November, the government permitted vocational training establishments to re-open provided they met health and safety protocols. Some students began to return, and, to ensure that NTTI could



NTTI issued 380,000 litres of free fresh borehole water to help disadvantaged families wash their hands regularly and keep clothes clean

reopen fully and safely in January 2021, Footsteps made a grant to provide additional classrooms (both permanent and temporary), additional hand washing facilities and hygiene awareness posters. The Institute is now well placed for a full and safe reopening in the new year.

Bishop Wambari Girl's School, Naivasha

In 2020 we paid the education and living costs for two disadvantaged girl students. The school contributed to the Naivasha town emergency relief effort, and we paid wages to ensure that the school would survive to continue its work when the Covid 19 crisis was over.

Background

Since 2001, the Bishop Wambari Girls' Secondary School has been providing high quality education for girls, many of whom come from poor families.

The school is situated on the same plot as the Naivasha Technical Training Institute and is led by the same senior management team.

Footsteps helped build a classroom at the school in 2004, and has since provided funds for periodic capital projects such as new classrooms and dormitories.

Progress in 2020

In February, trustees visited the school and met the head teacher, staff and some



Trustee Mary Print visited Bishop Wambari Girls' Secondary school where she met sponsored students Mary Cherotich and Maria Chepkemoi

of the students including Mary Cherotich and Maria Chepkemoi who are sponsored at the school by Footsteps supporters.

The Kenya government's order to close all schools in March presented a major crisis to the survival of the school which relies on fee income to pay teachers and fund school education expenses.

In April, we made the decision to fund emergency wages for the staff and, with the help of the grant from Fondation Eagle, installed two rainwater collection tanks to boost vegetable and dairy production on the school farm plot, which provided vegetables and milk to vulnerable families near the school from June onwards.

In November, the Form 4 girls returned to the school to resume their studies. Using the October grant from Fondation Eagle we were able to provide funds for face masks, hand sanitizers and Covid awareness training for the students and staff.

Footsteps made a grant to provide additional, temporary classrooms, extra hand washing facilities and hygiene awareness posters. The school is now well placed for a full and safe reopening in the new year.

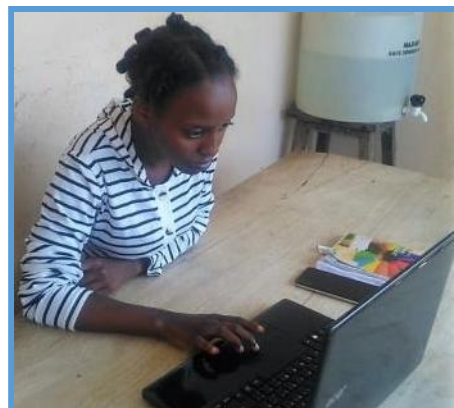
Tumaini: Hope for orphaned and abandoned children in Mombasa Kenya

In 2020, we supported 26 orphaned and abandoned children, helping them stay healthy and providing them with a normal family life.

Background

Tumaini Children's Home was constructed as a home for orphaned and abandoned children and a school for the local community.

The land was purchased in October 2002 and is owned by the Footsteps International Orphanage Trust. Construction was funded jointly by supporters of Footsteps International and Education for Life during 2003. The home and a school complex opened on 18th February 2004.



Doreen Kagendo's university course was interrupted, so she returned to live at the Tumaini children's home from where she studied on-line

In subsequent years it has developed to comprise:

- Accommodation for orphaned, abandoned and at-risk children;
- A Primary School, kindergarten and administrative offices operated by Education for Life. The kindergarten room is used as a church on Sundays, and is available for community activities;
- A High School (run by Education for Life);
- Stepping Stones – a 'halfway house' which provides a temporary home for some of the older children leaving the Tumaini Children's home.

We already support three groups, of children, who are cared for by foster parents in a family setting. In response to Kenya government policy and recognised good practice, our long-term aim is move towards placing all the orphaned and abandoned children we care for into foster homes.

Progress in 2020

At the start of 2020, we were supporting 12 children at the Tumaini Children's Home and a further three children at the Stepping Stones half-way house.

We also continued our support of three groups of orphaned and abandoned

children who are fostered in Timbwani village: two cared for by Lucy Shanga, four by Evelyn Wekesa, and four by village elder Njagi and his wife Constance.

Footsteps trustees met the carers and the children during their visit in February and were pleased to see the children were well cared for and fully integrated into their foster families.



Grace Mutiso's Early Childhood Development and Education course was disrupted, but she resumed in November and is getting good marks.

Very shortly after the trustees' visit, the Kenya government imposed restrictions to combat the Covid 19 pandemic. The children's schools closed, and several of the older children who had moved on to further education and training returned to the Tumaini children's home to live. We increased our monthly donations to cover the increased cost of food and medical care.

While the schools were closed, the children made some attempt to continue with lessons which were broadcast on TV and radio.

In November, the schools partially reopened and the children who were of the appropriate ages returned, complete with the obligatory face masks. The remainder will have to wait until January 2021 to recommence their education.

We funded courses for the following former Tumaini Children (all of which were disrupted by the Covid restrictions): Doreen Kagendo (HR Management), Grace Mutiso (Early Childhood Development

Education), and Mike Okwara (Animal Health and Production - course start delayed until January 2021).

We also funded higher education for two children of Lucy Shanga, one of the foster mothers: Brian Mwenda (Plumbing and Masonry), and Emmaculate Mueni (Medical Records and IT).

Education sponsorship at Tumaini

In 2020, we sponsored 16 children

Although the schools were closed for many months, we continued to provide school fees through our partner Education for Life for 16 children at Tumaini Primary and High School. This ensured that staff could be retained and paid and would be available to resume work as soon as the restrictions were lifted.

Maisha Bora programme, Kenya

During 2020, a year of interruptions and challenges, we supported the education of 42 talented but disadvantaged young people through the Maisha Bora for Youth Initiative.

Background

The Maisha Bora programme provides scholarships to enable talented but disadvantaged young people to receive employment-focussed secondary and tertiary education.



Orphan Kelvin Shirisia is studying electrical engineering at Rift Valley Institute of Science and Technology under the Maisha Bora programme

The students include orphans and children from extremely poor families.

In the early years, the majority of the funding for Maisha Bora was provided by a corporate donor – IPM SIPP Administration, but the donor base has broadened in the last four years, enabling additional students to be taken on to the programme.

Progress in 2020

With the support of IPM SIPP Administration and a grant-making trust, Footsteps provided funds to enable Maisha Bora to support 42 students.



Footsteps trustee and retired engineer Barrie Francis meets civil engineering student John Rwambo at Kiambu Institute of Science and Technology

During their visit in February, Footsteps trustees, accompanied by the Maisha Bora programme coordinator Esther Njuguna, met and talked to 3 students: Kelvin Shirisia (Rift Valley Technical Training Institute), Sospeter Mburu (Magareza Academy), and John Rwambo (Kiambu Institute of Science and Technology).

All three were doing well and were very grateful for the opportunity to receive education and training that would otherwise have been beyond their means.

At the end of March, all education and training establishments closed, bringing a halt to the students' courses. After several months, some of the higher education institutes started to provide on-line teaching and assignments, although not all students could access these due to the limitations of the available technology.

The majority of the students were able to resume their courses when the Covid 19 restrictions were lifted in November, although some found that accommodation costs had increased because room-sharing was no longer a safe option.

Church on the Rock School, Nairobi

In 2020, we boosted the health and education of 380 children in Nairobi's slums by providing free school meals and 529 family emergency aid packs.

Background

Church on the Rock School is a private school situated in the kwa Reuben area of Nairobi. The school occupies a tiny plot sandwiched between slum dwellings.

Footsteps International has been linked with the school since 2005 when we started to donate funds for the school to provide a meal of beans and maize to the 260 children one day a week. Since then, the school population has increased and is now 335, and Footsteps has progressively increased its level of support so that we now provide sufficient funds for each child to have a free school meal every school day.

As a result of the regular, nutritious meals, the children's health has improved which, in turn, improves attendance and academic results.



Church on the Rock School student Rose Josephat enjoys her plate of 'githeri' (beans and maize stew) at lunch time.

Over the past few years, we have also been able to upgrade classrooms, install rainwater harvesting, and replace desks and books.

Progress in 2020

Footsteps trustees visited the school in February and spent time chatting with the very lively students and answering their questions, before watching the children receive their free school lunches.

They also discussed with the school directors, Bernard and Ruth Ndetei the fact that the school had been flooded in the rainy season. It is clear that the school is now the lowest point around, and the concreted assembly area (with its low retaining wall) effectively acts as a reservoir. Ruth said they had had to hire a pump to remove the flood water.

Like all schools in Kenya, Church on the Rock School had to close at the end of March due to Covid 19. By July, it had become apparent that the schools would not re-open quickly, so we held discussions with the school directors and agreed to provide emergency aid packs for 100 of the poorest children and their families, and also the staff who had not been paid since the school closed.

The first emergency aid distribution took place in August during which 108 families received basic food and hygiene products. The teachers were given 5,000 Kenya shillings (£35) each as they were struggling to survive without pay.

We continued the monthly aid programme until the final distribution which took place on 23 December. In total the team distributed 529 packs to extremely poor families. Ruth Ndetei reported, "This project was a timely rescue for the families that were on the verge of starvation and / or exposure to Covid-19 owing to



A family head home with their emergency aid pack collected from the Church on the Rock School

the challenge of having to move around seeking food to eat, with no regard for Covid-19 precautionary measures."

In November, the school partially reopened, using the paved assembly area as an extra, socially-distanced classroom.

Footsteps also sponsored high school education for five former students whose parents are too poor to afford the fees. Inevitably, their education was disrupted, but they are expected to be back in school in January 2021.

During the October aid distribution, Felistus, a former student, visited the school and recorded a short video updating us on her progress. She is now a third year student at University of Nairobi. Our trustees remember visiting her home in 2013 (she and her family lived in a two-room house



Felistus (pictured with school directors Ruth and Bernard Ndetei) is a former student of Church on the Rock School. She is now in the third year of her Bachelor of Education degree at University of Nairobi

and her parents earned a living from a tiny grocery kiosk). It was encouraging to see a former student who had benefitted from the free school meals doing so well at university.

Imani pre-school, Kibera, Nairobi

Background

In 2012, Footsteps trustees established a connection with a nursery school in the Kibera slum in Nairobi (considered by many to be Africa's largest slum).

The Imani pre-school is run by Peter Katei (an employee of Kenya Wildlife Service) and his wife Lucy on a plot of land on which Peter's house once stood.

The school provides pre-school education to around 45 children who live near the school in the Kibera slum.



Happy smiles on the faces of the children at the Imani pre-school in Kibera as they greet the arrival of beans and maize for their school lunches

Progress in 2020

Footsteps trustees visited the school in February. Since their last visit in October 2019, the school buildings had been largely rebuilt (with help from a donation from Footsteps) to comply with the education department requirements.

We donated bags of beans, maize and rice for the 45 children's lunches, which were

delivered in person by the trustees during their visit. As always, the staff and children showed their appreciation with singing and dancing.

At the end of March, like all schools, the Imani School had to close because of the Covid restrictions.

When it became obviously that the school would remain closed for the remainder of 2020, Footsteps made donations of 25,000 Kenya shillings (£180) each month from September to December to provide a small allowance for the (unpaid) staff. In December, we added an additional £80 to help purchase cleaning materials in advance of the school re-opening in January 2021.

Community health Mombasa

In 2020 we supported Vivian Amwayi who provided HIV testing and counselling services.

Background

Since 2015, Footsteps supported a community health outreach to villages in remote rural areas south of Mombasa by funding the salary of Vivian Amwayi, one of the orphaned girls we cared for at the Tumaini Children's Home for many years.

As part of a team, Vivian provided basic health care treatments for worms, fungal skin diseases and other common low-level ailments to approximately 1,500 people who survive by subsistence farming.

Vivian also ran health care improvement training sessions, informing the community about the importance of using clean water, hand washing, the importance of immunisation and good nutrition for babies and children, and other basic health care topics.

Progress in 2020

Because Mombasa was a corona hotspot, the government banned the public from crossing the Mombasa City/Kwale County boundary. This prevented Vivian travelling from her house in Mombasa County to Shimba Hills in Kwale County, so we de-



Vivian at work at the Mrima Clinic, Mombasa (photo taken before the Covid lockdown)

decided to redeploy her to work full-time at the Mrima Hospital which is in Mombasa County and close to her home, and where she already had experience as a volunteer.

At Mrima Hospital, she provided HIV testing and counselling services, focussing primarily on women with, or at risk of, HIV and advising them on how to maintain their health and stop their babies from acquiring HIV (PMTCT). She carried out antenatal checks on mothers and reviewed mothers and their babies' health at 6 weeks, 6 months and 18 months. On a typical day Vivian saw 15 patients; most of whom needed checks and health advice, but referred those that required more testing or medical intervention to doctors.

Small is Beautiful - farming project, Bondo, Kenya

Background

The aim of Small is Beautiful is to help boost crop yields and provide food to local schools for school meals in Bondo, Western Kenya which is economically deprived, and suffers malaria and HIV

Progress in 2020

In 2020, we made a donation to provide drip hose, plant maize and vegetables and supply beans to a primary school.

What your help means to us

Throughout the year we received many letters, emails, WhatsApp and text messages of thanks from those whose lives have been transformed with the generous help of our supporters. Here is a small selection:

Thank you for your concern and support

Eric Chege left home to live on the streets at the age of eight, but was found by our staff and joined the Sunshine Centre in 2005.

Once he was back in school he did very well, and in August last year he commenced a degree course in Economics and Statistics at South Eastern University.

He wrote from his family home in Njabini to tell us how he was coping in the crisis:



The January semester started well, but on 17th March, following the President's directives on the threat of Covid 19, all teaching was suspended.

I am now at home, but I am still studying. By using the laptop you gave me, I am able to download lecture notes and do revision. God bless you.

I am also grateful for the food supplies that you have offered me and my family at this hard time where most economic activity across the nation has been closed down. Thank you for your concern and support for my education needs. I am very thankful and glad to be a direct beneficiary of the Sunshine family.



Sunshine is my pillar to lean on

Samuel Kamau is an orphan and former street boy who we have cared for at the Sunshine Centre since 2012.

I am now a student at the Technical University of Kenya where I am doing a degree in Tourism and Travel Management.

A very heartfelt, special thanks to Sunshine for continuing to help me in such a time when the country is facing Covid 19. I received food, soap, and Sunshine has facilitated my learning which is online during the pandemic.

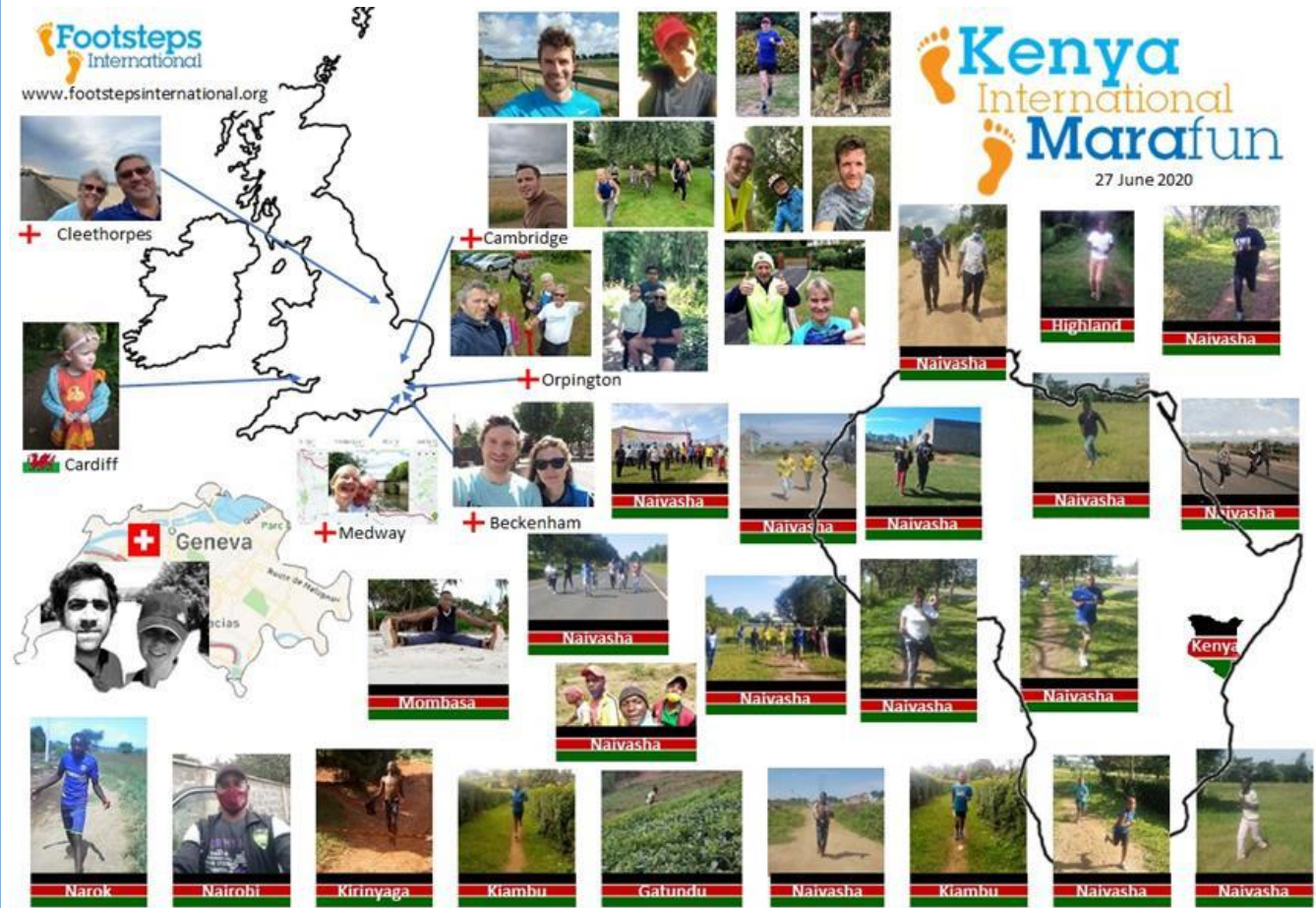
To all those who have been part of this amazing journey I am overwhelmed by the love you have shown me. I am thankful to God for bringing me this far.



Making a difference together

Although Footsteps trustees planned to visit Kenya three times in 2020, they only managed to travel once in February, after which the Covid 19 pandemic prevented any further visits. The Kenya Marafun in Hell's Gate National Park was replaced with a virtual Kenya Marafun and the sponsored climb of Mt Longonot postponed for a year.

Virtual Kenya Marafun - 27 June 2020



Our team in Naivasha asked as many of the Sunshine Boys as possible to run any distance they could manage (while complying with Covid regulations), and to send in a photo of their efforts.

Footsteps supporters were invited to

run, jog or walk any distance near their home, and to raise as much sponsorship as they could. They, too were asked to submit photos of their achievement.

In total of 98 took part in in 4 different

countries: Kenya, England, Wales, and Switzerland (the picture above shows many of those who gave their time and energy).

The event raised nearly £7,000 to help keep our children safe and well.



Financial summary

The full results and financial position for the year are shown in the financial statements (page 19 onwards).

Our income in 2020 was £325,723 (£241,968 in 2019). Expenditure to support our projects in 2020 was £313,933 (£245,486 in 2019). Administrative costs were less than 1% of expenditure.

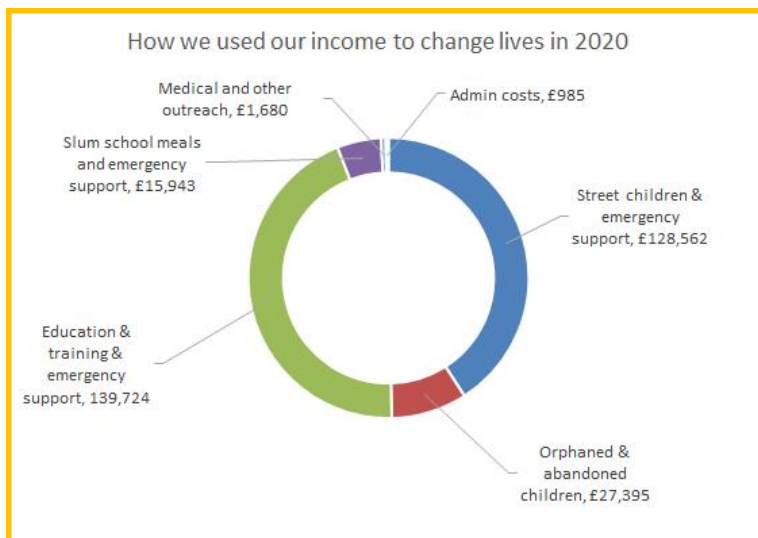
For the first quarter of the year, our projects ran as normal, but the remainder of the year was dominated by the need to provide emergency aid which was delivered through the Sunshine Centre, NTTI, Bishop Wambari School and Church on the Rock School. The figures in the graph opposite include the costs of this.

Currency exchange rates started at 130 Kenya shillings to the GB pound in January, dropped sharply in March when the Covid 19 pandemic struck, and then moved upwards through the rest of the year to around to 147. Overall, the above average exchange rate decreased the cost of funding our projects.

43% of our income came from individual donors, including 140 who gave generously each month. 39% of our income came from institutional donors including grant-making trusts and Rotary Clubs. 3% came from organised events and appeals, 8% from legacies, with the remaining 7% from gift aid.

We are grateful to Fondation Eagle for making grants totalling £44,038 to help us through the Covid 19 emergency, and to Rope Charitable Trust for partnering directly with the Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre.

We reviewed our supporter list and removed those with whom we had not been in contact with for several years, ending the year with 604 individuals and churches, and 453 supporters with whom we communicate periodically by email (there is some overlap between the two lists).



PARTNERS

Each child is unique and special

While trustees have the enjoyment of visiting Kenya (under normal circumstances), we cannot provide the children the love and care they need without the help of our many generous donors - thank you!

Future plans

Footsteps undertakes long-term development projects to transform the lives of disadvantaged children and adults.

We will need to invest in resources to keep all our projects operating safely while we deal with the continuing impacts of the Covid 19 pandemic.

In the light of this, our plans for 2021 are as follows:

Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre:

Offer places to new street boys to keep the total number we care for at around 142. This leaves some spare capacity to take additional emergency referrals during the year.

Continue to provide help to a small number of extremely impoverished families through the Sunshine outreach programme, to minimise the risk their children will migrate to the streets.

Increase the number of boys entering secondary and tertiary education.

Continue to farm land at the Sunshine Centre and South View Farm to provide vegetables to eat and income to offset running costs.

Implement environmental improvements that reduce costs and increase the potential to provide local income.

Tumaini:

Continue to care for 24 orphaned and abandoned children at the Tumaini Children's Home and with foster families in the community.

Fund existing training / higher education courses for four older children, and three more school leavers later in the year. This will maximise their opportunities of finding rewarding employment.

Naivasha Technical Training Institute:

Continue to provide support for trainees. In the long-term, our aim remains to work together with the NTTI management team to find ways to increase local income.

Fund capital projects that increase the NTTI's ability to provide courses that meet the needs of Kenya's modernising economy.

Slum schools:

To maintain funding for school meals at the two slum schools so that all the children can have free lunches each term day.

To support high school education for 5 students to enable them to continue to high school.

Maisha Bora

Continue to support this programme which provides talented but disadvantaged young people with employment-focused higher education that they would otherwise not receive.



GROW

Sammy Mburu manages the farm at the Sunshine Centre, providing fresh vegetables for the boys and income to the project.

HOPE

Looking forward to a bright future

Orphan Rebecca Wanjiku's dream of completing her art and design course at university was put on hold in 2020, but in 2021 she hopes to graduate and find her dream job.



Structure, governance and management

Governing document

Footsteps International was inaugurated in November 2001 and registered with the Charity Commission (number 1091026) in March 2002. The aims and objectives of Footsteps International are set out in the Declaration of Trust dated 7th February, 2002. The principal object is the relief of need, sickness and distress in Africa by the provision of financial and material assistance.

Objectives

Footsteps International aims to relieve the effects of poverty, disease and disability in some of the world's poorest communities. Our focus is primarily but not exclusively on projects that the trustees know personally and which they can visit to review progress.

Public benefit

In setting our programme and projects each year the trustees have regard to both the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, and prevention and relief of poverty for the public benefit. Our projects are always in line with our charitable objects and carried out for the public benefit in three main areas of activity:

- caring for children in need,
- education and training poor and deprived young people, and
- fighting poverty and disability.

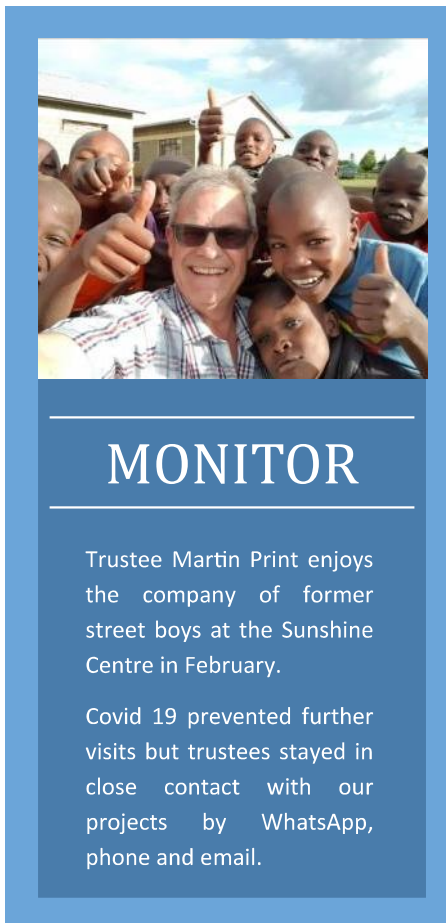
Footsteps does not discriminate against any needy person on the grounds of their religion, tribe or nationality.

Appointment and training of Trustees

The board of trustees is responsible for all major decisions affecting the work of the charity, and invites and appoints new trustees as required to strengthen the management team. The trustees are all

Christians who are committed to putting their faith into action.

Trustees are apprised of their responsibilities using Charity Commission literature, and all have visited Footsteps supported projects in Kenya. All the Trustees



are volunteers, and do not receive any reimbursement for their work for the charity; no fares or other travel expenses are paid to the Trustees.

Organisation

The board of trustees meets formally twice a year, and communicates by phone and email as necessary in between. Day-to-day operational decisions are taken by Martin and Mary Print, and financial and administrative support is provided by the treasurer, Ben Gardner.

In February 2020, Martin and Mary Print and Barrie Francis made a visit to Kenya to review progress and plan develop-

ment of the various projects. During the Covid 19 crisis, they maintained regular email, WhatsApp and phone contact with Footsteps' partners in Kenya.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the surplus or deficit of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue its operations.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Investment powers and policy

Footsteps International's trust deed permits wide powers of investment. The current policy is to hold all investments in the form of bank deposits. Cash that is not required for immediate use on projects is placed into a higher interest account.

Reserves Policy

The policy of the trustees is to put donors' funds to immediate use as far as possible. In the case of an emergency, an appeal would be made for additional

funds. However, it is important that a regular flow of funds is maintained to the projects as a high proportion of the disbursed funds go towards food, salaries, clothing and medical costs.

At the end of the year, Footsteps had unrestricted reserves of £29,243 which amounts to around six weeks' requirements.

Risk Management

The trustees have assessed the financial and operational risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the major risks.

The principle direct risks to Footsteps International are considered to relate to financial issues. However, the trustees also worked with local partners to identify other risks, especially to children cared for at the various projects, and have identified appropriate mitigating actions. The risk assessment is reviewed at each formal meeting of the trustees.

Policies


To strengthen the management of the charity, the trustees have put in place policies covering:

- Child Protection and Vulnerable Adults
- Financial controls
- Expenses and decision making authorities
- Investment
- Reserves
- Conflict of Interest
- Complaints
- Risk Management
- Volunteers
- Data protection and privacy

Overseas partners

Footsteps International funds and supports the work of a number of trusted, local partners in Kenya. During 2020 our main partners were:

- Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre, Naivasha,
- AIC Naivasha Polytechnic, Naivasha,
- Church on the Rock School, Nairobi,
- Maisha Bora Initiative for Youth, Naivasha,
- Education for Life, Mombasa.



Potential

Former street boys succeed

Former street boy Joseph Njuguna holds up a photo of himself taken in 2004 when he first came off the streets into the Sunshine Centre.

In 2021 he will be in his final year of training to be an electrical engineer.

Reference and administrative information

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER:	1091026
REGISTERED OFFICE:	79 Lynwood Grove Orpington Kent BR6 0BQ
TRUSTEES	Martin Print - Chairman Mary Print Barbara Huntley Barrie Francis Paul Robinson
TREASURER	Ben Gardner
BANKERS	Barclays Bank plc The Bromley Group PO Box 1 Bromley BR1 1NL
ACCOUNTANT & INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Oak Accounting Ltd 27 Bascott Road Wallisdown Bournemouth BH11 8RJS

APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

(Chairman of Trustees)

(Secretary)

Date: _____

Financial statements

**FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2020**

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Footsteps International

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2020 which are set out on pages 2 to 9.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees of Footsteps International 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 Footsteps International'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

Since Footsteps International's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of Association of Accounting Technicians, which is one of the listed bodies.

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 Footsteps International as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

.....
Sue Wintle
Independent Examiner
Association of Accounting Technicians

27 Bascott Road
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Dorset
BH11 8RJ

Date:.....

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and legacies		268,805	56,918	325,723	241,968
Investment income	3	46	-	46	39
Other income		137	-	137	76
Total Income		<u>268,988</u>	<u>56,918</u>	<u>325,906</u>	<u>242,083</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities		<u>(256,168)</u>	<u>(58,498)</u>	<u>(314,666)</u>	<u>(245,930)</u>
Total Expenditure		<u>(256,168)</u>	<u>(58,498)</u>	<u>(314,666)</u>	<u>(245,930)</u>
Net movement in funds		12,820	(1,580)	11,240	(3,847)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>20,764</u>	<u>1,682</u>	<u>22,446</u>	<u>26,293</u>
Total funds carried forward	10	<u><u>33,584</u></u>	<u><u>102</u></u>	<u><u>33,686</u></u>	<u><u>22,446</u></u>

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

(Registration number: 1091026)
Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2020

	Note	2020 £	2019 £
Current assets			
Debtors	7	4,763	1,710
Cash at bank and in hand	8	29,243	21,049
		34,006	22,759
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	9	(320)	(313)
Net assets		33,686	22,446
Funds of the charity:			
Restricted income funds			
Restricted funds	10	103	1,682
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		33,583	20,764
Total funds	10	33,686	22,446

The financial statements on pages 14 to 22 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on and signed on their behalf by:

.....
Mr Martin Print
Trustee

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

1 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation

Footsteps International meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement

The charity opted to early adopt Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016 and have therefore not included a cash flow statement in these financial statements.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Income and endowments

Voluntary income is received by way of donations and gifts. It is shown in full in the Statement of Financial Activities, when received. Gifts in kind are valued at their estimated value to the charity and are included under the appropriate headings.

Also included under this heading is income from fund raising activities.

Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

Investment income

Dividends are recognised once the dividend has been declared and notification has been received of the dividend due.

Expenditure

The charity's expenditure is mostly grants for projects, with a small amount of administration costs.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Grant provisions

Provisions for grants are made when the intention to make a grant has been communicated to the recipient but there is uncertainty about either the timing of the grant or the amount of grant payable.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

Support costs

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, for example, allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees's discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Restricted income funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Donations and legacies;			
Donations to major appeals	219,427	56,918	276,345
Legacies	25,000	-	25,000
Gift aid reclaimed	24,378	-	24,378
Total for 2020	268,805	56,918	325,723
Total for 2019	157,585	84,383	241,968

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

3 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Interest receivable and similar income;		
Interest receivable on bank deposits	46	46
Total for 2020	46	46
Total for 2019	39	39

4 Grant-making

Analysis of grants

	Grants to institutions	
	2020	2019
	£	£
Analysis		
Tumaini Children's Home	27,395	26,559
NATETI	73,788	47,102
Imani Nursery School - Kibera	871	681
Sunshine Rehabilitation Centre	128,562	93,968
Church on the Rock School	15,073	10,647
Education for Life Sponsorship	5,172	7,560
New Hope	17,727	54,629
J&K Scott	-	1,163
Small is Beautiful	1,500	1,000
Vivian - Community Health	1,680	1,845
Bishop Wambari School	42,165	107
Two Bridges - Uganda	-	225
	313,933	245,486

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

5 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses or any other benefits from the charity during the year.

Donations made by the trustees without any conditions attached totalled £19,805 for the year (2019 - £24,380).

6 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

7 Debtors

	2020 £	2019 £
Other debtors	<u>4,763</u>	<u>1,710</u>

8 Cash and cash equivalents

	2020 £	2019 £
Cash at bank	<u>29,243</u>	<u>21,049</u>

9 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2020 £	2019 £
Other creditors	-	1
Accruals	<u>320</u>	<u>312</u>
	<u>320</u>	<u>313</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

10 Funds

	Balance at 1 January 2020 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 December 2020 £
Unrestricted funds				
<i>General</i>				
General Fund	20,764	268,988	(256,169)	33,583
Restricted funds				
Small is Beautiful	1,400	240	(1,500)	140
Church on the Rock School	-	4,215	(4,215)	-
Education for Life sponsorship	-	3,120	(3,407)	(287)
NATETI	-	1,380	(1,380)	-
New Hope	-	960	(960)	-
Sunshine rehabilitation centre	-	40,411	(40,411)	-
Wambari School	282	4,662	(4,944)	-
Vivian - Community Health	-	1,930	(1,680)	250
Total restricted funds	<u>1,682</u>	<u>56,918</u>	<u>(58,497)</u>	<u>103</u>
Total funds	<u><u>22,446</u></u>	<u><u>325,906</u></u>	<u><u>(314,666)</u></u>	<u><u>33,686</u></u>
	Balance at 1 January 2019 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 December 2019 £
Unrestricted funds				
<i>General</i>				
General Fund	11,945	157,700	(148,881)	20,764
Restricted				
Small is Beautiful	2,160	240	(1,000)	1,400
Church on the Rock School	50	597	(647)	-
Education for Life sponsorship	-	3,120	(3,120)	-
NATETI	-	23,564	(23,564)	-
New Hope	12,050	31,810	(43,860)	-
Tumaini Children's home	-	1,400	(1,400)	-
Sunshine rehabilitation centre	-	22,006	(22,006)	-
Wambari School	30	360	(108)	282
J&K Scott Sponsorship	-	1,161	(1,161)	-
Two Bridges	58	125	(183)	-
Total restricted funds	<u>14,348</u>	<u>84,383</u>	<u>(97,049)</u>	<u>1,682</u>
Total funds	<u><u>26,293</u></u>	<u><u>242,083</u></u>	<u><u>(245,930)</u></u>	<u><u>22,446</u></u>

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11 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds at 31 December 2020 £
Current assets	33,903	103	34,006
Current liabilities	<u>(320)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(320)</u>
Total net assets	<u><u>33,583</u></u>	<u><u>103</u></u>	<u><u>33,686</u></u>

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds at 31 December 2019 £
Current assets	21,077	1,682	22,759
Current liabilities	<u>(313)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(313)</u>
Total net assets	<u><u>20,764</u></u>	<u><u>1,682</u></u>	<u><u>22,446</u></u>