



Trustees' Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024



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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



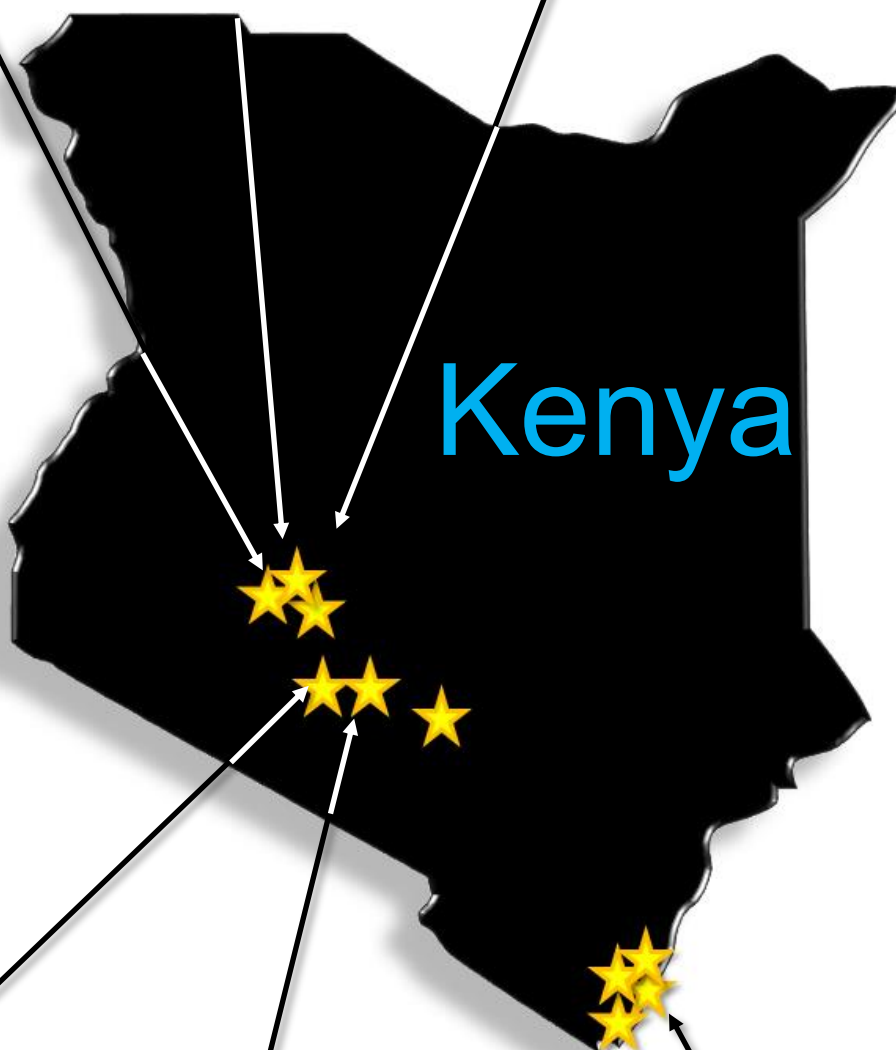
The Sunshine Centre in Naivasha is where we rescue and rehabilitate street boys



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 anticipated



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 Fondation 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.

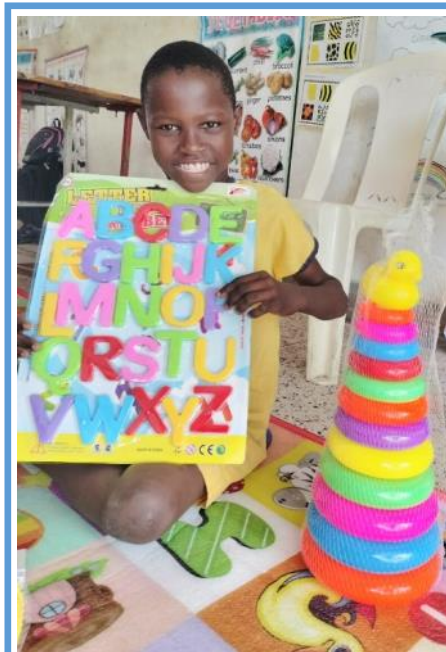
We also funded free school lunches for 600 children one week each month, en-



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

sureing 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

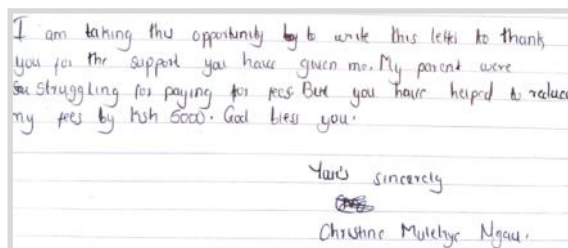
Footsteps supporter Jamie Scott spent time working voluntarily at Syomunyu School. Seeing how poor

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.



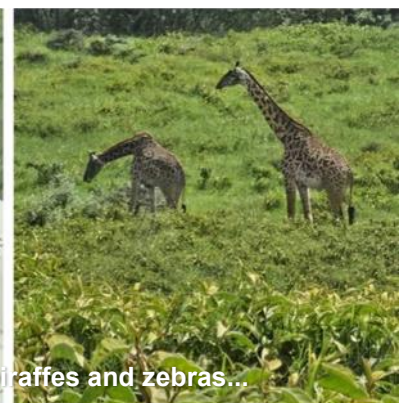
1 km walk through beautiful scenery...



...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 achievement

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.

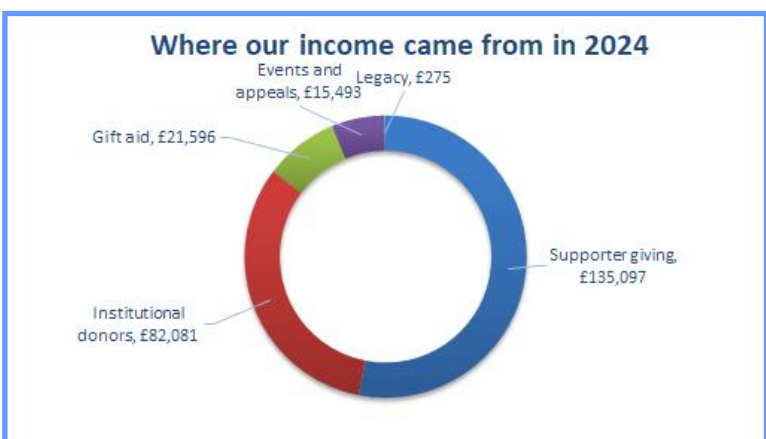
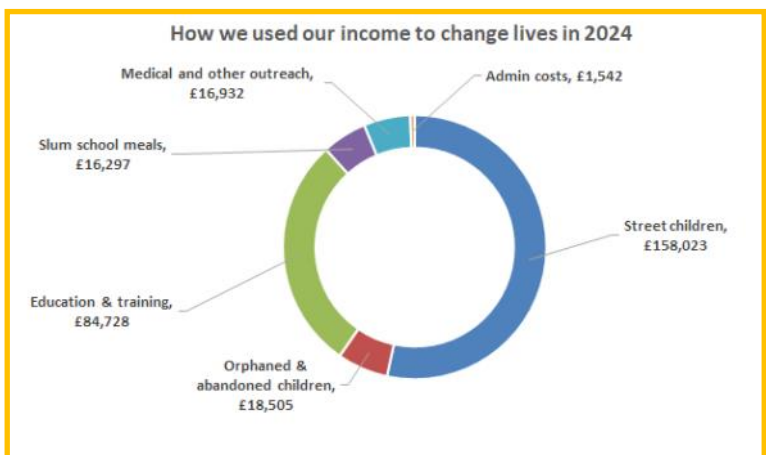
60% of our expenditure was to provide a home, education and care for street boys at the Sunshine Centre and orphaned and abandoned children in Mombasa.

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

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER:	1091026
REGISTERED OFFICE:	79 Lynwood Grove Orpington Kent BR6 0BQ
TRUSTEES	Martin Print - Chairman Barrie Francis Paul Robinson Ben Gardner Wendy McMahon
TREASURER	Eleri Print
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 2024**

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 1091026

FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds
	Note	£	£
		Total funds	Total funds
		£	£
Income and endowments			
Donations and legacies	4	203,885	50,714
Investment income	5	1,744	–
Other income	6	17	–
Total income		205,646	50,714
Expenditure			
Expenditure on charitable activities			
Grants	7	21,437	273,049
Support costs	8	1,542	–
Total expenditure		22,979	273,049
Net income		182,667	(222,335)
Transfers between funds		(222,335)	222,335
Net movement in funds		(39,668)	–
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward		111,522	–
Total funds carried forward		71,854	–

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.

FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

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.

FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

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	–
	–	50,714	(273,049)	222,335	–

	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	–

FOOTSTEPS INTERNATIONAL

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>