

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 July 2023
for
MOUNTAIN OF MERCY**

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Report of the Trustees
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 July 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The objects of the Charity are:

1. The relief of financial need and suffering amongst victims of natural or other kinds of disaster and trouble in the form of money (or other means deemed suitable).
2. The advancement of education, in particular for young people of all religions and ethnic backgrounds.
3. To help young people develop their physical, mental, spiritual and moral capacities so they mature as individuals with opportunities to excel in society.

Main activities

How our activities deliver public benefit

The charity carries out a range of activities in accordance with its charitable aims. The trustees consider these activities summarised below provide benefit and aid to those in need of financial relief.

Currently, the charity is undertaking the following activities:

- > Food and shelter for refugees
- > Income generating projects
- > The relief of financial need and suffering amongst victims of natural or other kinds of disaster and trouble in the form of money (or other means deemed suitable);
- > The construction of water wells to meet basic human needs.
- > Distribution of winter essentials to harsh stricken countries in the form of clothes, blankets as part of the "The winter project"
- > The construction of water desalination unit for clean water.

Volunteers

Many volunteers give up their time to help out the charity, particularly at the weekend and in the evenings to help with collecting donations and promoting the charity.

We are greatly indebted to these volunteers for their commitment and support.

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

During the year, the charity undertook the following projects and activities:

- > The ongoing construction of Water wells in various locations of Sri Lanka, at Pealed, Welshmen, Giotto, Pandoura, Kuchen's and Atahualpa
- > Distribution of Food Parcels to various countries including the Rohingya refugees
- > The construction of water wells in Bangladesh Satkhira district
- > Qurbani Meat distribution in Africa
- > Kenya Food distribution for Orphans
- > Aid for Refugees in the form of blankets and clothes
- > The construction of a water desalination plant for clean drinking water.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The General fund represents funds arising from current operating results. The trustees are satisfied that the balance of the fund will enable the charity to meet its objectives. The trustees have also examined the requirement to maintain reserves for the on going work of the charity and concluded that the most appropriate level is between 3 to 6 months of operational expenditure.

FUTURE PLANS

We plan to consolidate our current success and make our services available to a wider range of people. We also plan to look into further projects which will help us to fulfil our aims and objectives.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

Mountain of Mercy is constituted under a Trust Deed adopted on the 20th February 2005. Mountain of Mercy was registered as a charity with the Charities Commission on the 15th July 2005 (No:1110463)

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The members in the general meeting elect trustees or a maximum of three trustees may be co-opted by the Executive Committee.

All trustees hold office until the Annual General Meeting where trustees can offer themselves for re-election or re-appointment.

The appointment of the trustees is governed by the trust deed.

Organisational structure

The charity is controlled by the trustees who make up the Executive Committee. Details of the current trustees are set out below:

M Z Hafiz (Chairman)
F A Patel (General Secretary)
Miss F Ahmed

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1110463

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Report of the Trustees
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

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F A Patel
Miss F Ahmed

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 28 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

M Z Hafiz - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Mountain of Mercy

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Mountain of Mercy

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Mountain of Mercy (the Trust) for the year ended 31 July 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, 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 Trust 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 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.

Shamim Mahomed
The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales

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28 March 2024

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Statement of Financial Activities FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

		2023 Unrestricted fund £	2022 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	Notes		
Donations and legacies	2	346,991	335,275
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities	3		
Provision of Services		309,961	413,013
Management & Administration		835	1,582
Total		310,796	414,595
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		36,195	(79,320)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		120,999	200,319
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		157,194	120,999

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet 31 JULY 2023

		2023 Unrestricted fund £	2022 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS	Notes		
Cash at bank		157,554	121,240
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(360)	(241)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>157,194</u>	<u>120,999</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		157,194	120,999
NET ASSETS		<u>157,194</u>	<u>120,999</u>
FUNDS	8		
Unrestricted funds		<u>157,194</u>	<u>120,999</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>157,194</u>	<u>120,999</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 28 March 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

M Z Hafiz - Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Donations	<u>346,991</u>	<u>335,275</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 4) £	Totals £
Provision of Services	309,856	105	309,961
Management & Administration	-	835	835
	<u>309,856</u>	<u>940</u>	<u>310,796</u>

4. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management £	Governance costs £	Totals £
Provision of Services	105	-	105
Management & Administration	475	360	835
	<u>580</u>	<u>360</u>	<u>940</u>

Support costs, included in the above, are as follows:

Management

	Provision of Services £	Management & Administration £	2023 Total activities £	2022 Total activities £
Advertising	105	-	105	100
Bank charges	-	475	475	1,148
	<u>105</u>	<u>475</u>	<u>580</u>	<u>1,248</u>

Governance costs

	2023 Management & Administration £	2022 Total activities £
Accountancy and legal fees	<u>360</u>	<u>240</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 July 2023 nor for the year ended 31 July 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 July 2023 nor for the year ended 31 July 2022.

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6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Donations and legacies	335,275
EXPENDITURE ON	
Charitable activities	
Provision of Services	413,013
Management & Administration	1,582
Total	414,595
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(79,320)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	200,319
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	120,999

7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Accrued expenses	360	241

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/8/22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/7/23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	120,999	36,195	157,194
TOTAL FUNDS	120,999	36,195	157,194

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	346,991	(310,796)	36,195
TOTAL FUNDS	346,991	(310,796)	36,195

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8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/8/21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/7/22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	200,319	(79,320)	120,999
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>200,319</u>	<u>(79,320)</u>	<u>120,999</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	335,275	(414,595)	(79,320)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>335,275</u>	<u>(414,595)</u>	<u>(79,320)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/8/21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/7/23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	200,319	(43,125)	157,194
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>200,319</u>	<u>(43,125)</u>	<u>157,194</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	682,266	(725,391)	(43,125)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>682,266</u>	<u>(725,391)</u>	<u>(43,125)</u>

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9. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 July 2023.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	346,991	335,275
Total incoming resources	346,991	335,275
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Project construction costs	309,856	413,013
Sundry expenses	-	94
	309,856	413,107
Support costs		
Management		
Advertising	105	100
Bank charges	475	1,148
	580	1,248
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	360	240
Total resources expended	310,796	414,595
Net income/(expenditure)	36,195	(79,320)

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements