

THE HELP UGANDA TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1113447

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2006-03-28

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

Address 120 Silverdale Avenue
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Activities

Objects: THE RELIEF OF POVERTY AND SICKNESS AND THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION WHETHER GENERALLY OR INDIVIDUALLY OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN UGANDA, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY THE CHILDREN OF THE ST MICHAEL'S CHILDREN'S HOME IN NSAMBYA, KAMPALA, BY MAKING GRANTS OF MONEY FOR PROVIDING OR PAYING FOR ITEMS, SERVICES OR FACILITIES OR THROUGH THE PROVISION OF GOODS OR SERVICES OR GRANTS.

Activities: Works with local charities and individuals in Uganda to relieve poverty and sickness and to provide education for children and others in need. The charity works particularly closely with the St Michael's Children Home in Nsambya. The charity also seeks to raise awareness in the UK of issues of poverty in Uganda.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Human Resources, Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Accommodation/housing, Religious Activities, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UGANDA, PARTICULARLY NSAMBYA, KAMPALA.
- Uganda
- Throughout England

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£51,531	£44,919	-	-
2023-12-31	£46,428	£55,328	-	-
2022-12-31	£16,013	£42,088	-	-
2021-12-31	£10,208	£50,149	-	-
2020-12-31	£79,374	£40,760	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ANDREW RICHARD ANTHONY ROBERTSON	Chair	
CAROL CELIA GRAY		
Emma Jane Simpkin		2018-10-06
KEITH JOHN MANTLE		
Matthew David Simpkin		2018-10-06
ROBERT WILLIAM LEE		
Stefano Di Gregorio		2019-01-12

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Trustees' Annual Report
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For the period from 1st January 2024 to 31st December 2024

Charity's principal address

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Surrey
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Trustees who manage the charity

- 1 Mr ARA Robertson Chairman
- 2 Mrs CC Gray
- 3 Mr KJ Mantle
- 4 Mr RWS Lee
- 5 Mrs E-J Simpkin
- 6 Mr MD Simpkin
- 7 Mrs LE Speed (resigned 15th July 2025)
- 8 Mr SJC Speed (resigned 15th July 2025)
- 9 Mr S Di Gregorio Treasurer

Description of the charity's Governance

The Help Uganda Trust is constituted by a Trust Document and new Trustees are appointed by the Trustees.

The Charity is managed by a number of volunteers who support the Chairman Mr Andrew Robertson. There has been no new active fundraising as the trustees believe that with continued support of its existing friends and supporters it will be possible to finish the task established by the late Fr John Pearson with the existing cohort in Kampala. The charity does not directly employ anyone and instead makes grants to local partner organisations.

The Trustees did not meet during the year in person but communicate regularly by email. The strategy of winding down the trust is very clear.

The Chairman often speaks with the young people and with volunteers in Kampala and receives regular updates as to their progress. These are shared with the trustees.

The Trust continues to work with the Daughters of Charity (DOC), a Uganda-based charity under the auspices of the Catholic Archdiocese of Kampala. The Daughters of Charity continue to be the local employer of staff.

The Trust ensures that its services and support are provided to children regardless of ethnic origin or religious background. Given that the Charity is in wind-down mode and there have been no new young people joining for a number of years the composition of young people held will be distributed in accordance with the original cohort.

All monies raised by the HUT are paid into an account held with Barclays Bank in the UK and transfers are made to Uganda on a monthly basis in line with specific requests for

school fees, staff salaries, food and medicine etc. A transfer via Barclays Kampala typically takes four to five days.

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The relief of poverty and sickness and the advancement of education, whether generally or individually, of children and young people in Uganda, in particular, but not exclusively, the children of St Michael's Children's Home in Nsambya, Kampala, by making grants of money for providing or paying for items, services or facilities or through the provision of goods or services or grants.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects

When planning our activities for the year, the Trustees have considered the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit. We have ensured that all activities are for the benefit of the disadvantaged children and young people who were previously at St Michael's home and other parts of Uganda.

The Trustees continue to believe that in addition to food and medical assistance, that providing education and training provides the best way of relieving long term poverty. We aim subject to our financial constraints to provide education or technical training to a young person until they are able to leave the home and support themselves.

Chairman's Report

As in previous year we continue to slowly wind down the charity as more of the young people graduate or finish training and are permanently resettled into independent living. The resettlement process involves finding the young people simple accommodation, paying for a number of months rent and providing them with enough essentials to be started. We have aimed to resettle them close to their employment so that they minimise unnecessary travel expenses.

In 2024 we started the year with 9 young people of these only one was expected to be resettled in 2024 with 5 more expect to be resettled in 2025.

In addition to those still in education the trust also continues to support various events which maintains a social cohesion between the young people. These events are organised by the young people's association "The House of John" As the young people do not have their own immediate families the need for family and support is extremely important

A number of former young people have also suffered from medical emergencies and again the Trust has assisted.

As part of the winding down arrangements we also assisted the Daughter of Charity nurse/administrator in Kampala – the sole salary that HUT contributes towards - to establish her own clinic medical. Given the greatly reduced number of young people this will become her new career when the Trust finishes supporting the young people.

Further financial review details

Funds raised from general supporters continued but as previously explained at lower than historic levels (£6656). Since Fr John passed away in 2018 and there the pandemic there has been no new public appeals for funds,

It was noted that Fr John left funds within his estate that subject to certain conditions may be available to the Trust to continue its work for the young people.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Andrew Robertson

Andrew Robertson

CHAIRMAN

Date 26th October 2025



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name THE HELP UGANDA TRUST	No (if any) 1113447
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Receipts and payments accounts				
For the period from	Period start date 01/01/2024	To	Period end date 31/12/2024	

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
ST.GABRIEL'S, GENERAL	-	-	-	-	
ST.GABRIEL'S'S STO RECEIPTS	1,004	-	-	1,004	1,004
ST. ERCONWALD'S FR JOHN	44,474	-	-	44,474	41,739
ST. ERCONWALD'S STO RECEIPTS	5,652	-	-	5,652	3,685
SPUT	400	-	-	400	
ST. MICHAEL'S SUPPORTERS SOCIETY		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	51,531	-	-	51,531	46,428
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	51,531	-	-	51,531	46,428
A3 Payments					
ST.MICHAELS CHILDRENS HOME, KAMPALA	44,687	-	-	44,687	55,049
BANK CHARGES	233	-	-	233	279
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	44,919	-	-	44,919	55,328
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	44,919	-	-	44,919	55,328
Net of receipts/(payments)	6,612	-	-	6,612	- 8,900
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	1,001	-	-	1,001	9,901
Cash funds this year end	7,613	-	-	7,613	1,001

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	BARCLAYS BANK A/C 60174130	7,613	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	7,613	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	NONE	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	NONE		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	NONE		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	NONE		-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	<i>Andrew Robertson</i>	Andrew Robertson	26/10/2025	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
The Help Uganda Trust

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st December 2024

**Charity no
(if any)**

1113447

Set out on pages

3 Pages Report 2 Pages Accounts

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **DD / MM / YYYY**.

**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 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Alessandra Pasian

Alessandra Pasian (Oct 30, 2025 18:46:14 GMT)

Date:

30/10/25

Name:

Alessandra Pasian

**Relevant professional
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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

None






HUT Examiners report

Final Audit Report

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Trustees' Annual Report
THE HELP UGANDA TRUST
Registered charity Number 1113447

For the period from 1st January 2023 to 31st December 2023

Charity's principal address

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Trustees who manage the charity

- 1 Mr ARA Robertson Chairman
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- 8 Mr SJC Speed
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Description of the charity's Governance

The Help Uganda Trust is constituted by a Trust Document and new Trustees are appointed by the Trustees.

The Charity is managed by a number of volunteers who support the Chairman Mr Andrew Robertson with fundraising and with overseeing the work of local support organisations in Kampala. The charity does not directly employ anyone and instead makes grants to local partner organisations.

The Trustees met formally once during the year in person; however, they regularly communicate via email throughout the year and including information about funding requests and cash transfers. They also regularly speak informally.

The Chairman often speaks with the young people and with volunteers in Kampala and receives regular updates.

The Trust continues to work with the Daughters of Charity (DOC), a Uganda-based charity under the auspices of the Catholic Archdiocese of Kampala. The Daughters of Charity continue to be the local employer of staff.

The Trust ensures that its services and support are provided to children regardless of ethnic origin or religious background. Given that the Charity is in wind-down mode and there have been no new young people joining for a number of years the composition of young people held will be distributed in accordance with the original cohort.

All monies raised by the HUT are paid into an account held with Barclays Bank in the UK and transfers are made to Uganda on a monthly basis in line with specific requests for

school fees, staff salaries, food and medicine etc. A transfer via Barclays Kampala typically takes four to five days.

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

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Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects

When planning our activities for the year, the Trustees have considered the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit. We have ensured that all activities are for the benefit of the disadvantaged children and young people who were previously at St Michael's home and other parts of Uganda.

The Trustees continue to believe that in addition to food and medical assistance, that providing education and training provides the best way of relieving long term poverty. We aim subject to our financial constraints to provide education or technical training to a young person until they are able to leave the home and support themselves.

Chairman's Report

As in previous year we continue to slowly wind down the charity as more of the young people graduate or finish training and are permanently resettled into independent living. The resettlement process involves finding the young people simple accommodation, paying for a number of months rent and providing them with enough essentials to be started. We have aimed to resettle them close to their employment so that they minimise unnecessary travel expenses.

2023 was the first full year post the pandemic and there was a large number of young people to resettle for a single year. At the end of 2022 there were 18 young people still be supported and by the end of 2023 this had reduced to 9.

In March 2023 a special magazine was produced by the young people "the Journey" which highlighted the work over many years and the outcome of the young people

Further financial review details

Funds raised from general supporters continued but as previously explained at lower than historic levels. Since Fr John passed away in 2018 and there has been a pandemic that is not so surprising. In addition, a number of our supporters have also passed away.

It was noted that Fr John left funds within his estate that subject to certain conditions may be available to the Trust to continue its work for the young people.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Andrew Robertson

Andrew Robertson

Andrew Robertson (Oct 29, 2024 18:00 GMT)

CHAIRMAN

Date 30th October 2024



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of Charity Name The Help Uganda Trust

On accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023 Charity no (if any) 1113447

Set out on pages 3 Pages Report 2 Pages Accounts (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

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 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed: Alessandra Passian Date: 31/10/24

Name: Alessandra Passian

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

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Section B Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

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No comments

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Trustees' Annual Report
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For the period from 1st January 2020 to 31st December 2020

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The pandemic has been immensely disruptive and has meant that it has not been possible to visit Uganda nor for trustees to meet in person. Communications have however been by email and also with calls to Uganda.

The Trust continues to work closely with the Daughters of Charity (DOC), a Uganda based charity under the auspices of the Catholic Archdiocese of Kampala. The DOC and the Archdiocese are the owners of the facilities at St Michaels and employ all of the staff at the home. The continued work with Child's I Foundation (Charity number: 1126212) a leading UK Charity operating in Uganda has been invaluable because of their in country representation.

The Trust ensures that its services and support are provided to children regardless of ethnic origin or religious background.

All monies raised by the HUT are paid into an account held with Barclays Bank in the UK and transfers are made to Uganda on a monthly basis in line with specific requests for school fees, staff salaries, food and medicine etc. A transfer via Barclays typically takes four to five days. On rare occasions and in times of

emergency money can be sent via Mr Daniel Kitzito and Western Union, when this is done monies are first sent by Mr Andrew Robertson who has a WU account who is then reimbursed by electronic transfer. This is a very fast operation and money can be there in a few hours if required. Mr Kitzito who is an employee of Brussels Airlines and a member of the St Michaels Management Board is able to collect money at the airport which is deemed a particularly safe location for cash collection. Details of amounts sent are also sent to other members of the Management Board of St Michaels and this way the Trustees are confident that the money can be easily tracked and reconciles

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Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects

When planning our activities for the year, the Trustees have considered the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit. We have ensured that all activities are for the benefit of the disadvantaged children and young people at St Michael's home and other parts of Uganda.

The Trustees continue to believe that in addition to food and medical assistance, that providing education and training provides the best way of relieving long term poverty. We aim subject to our financial constraints to provide education or technical training to a young person until they are able to leave the home and support themselves.

Because of their disrupted education (from conflict, illness or simple poverty and this year the pandemic) many children will not finish secondary education until they are in their early 20s.

Chairman's Report

This has been a most difficult year because of the pandemic. In some ways we were fortunate in that the lockdown in the UK started before the one in Uganda. With the experience gained the Trustees were able to offer additional advice.

St Michaels managed to get special dispensation to keep the young people at the home. The vast majority of facilities sent their Children and young people out to extended family. The trustees feeling was that given the space and the ability to buy a quantity of supplies in advance and then operating a strict isolation would be better.

As the first wave passed we were fortunate to be able to resettle with the support of Child I foundation a number of the older students who had completed their studies (by chance this was also a peak year).

Education in Uganda has very much ground to a halt with many years being called as dead years. Unlike the UK where education continued and examinations were adjusted Uganda has provided minimal education and exams have stopped.

The trustees in conjunction with Childs I are reviewing the ongoing strategy because given children were already behind in school a further delay of two years in limbo has significant effects.

The Charity was most blessed to receive a significant legacy of £49,300 from Sheila Higgins a parishioner of Pulborough and a long-term supporter of the HUT. This money will enable us to continue support the young people especially because of the impact of the pandemic.

The Trust is anticipating that the bulk of its activities will be completed by December 2023

Further financial review details

General income fell significantly as it was not possible to make general appeals.

It was noted that Fr John left funds within his estate that subject to certain conditions may be available to the Trust for the education of the young people.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Andrew Robertson

CHAIRMAN

Date 30th October 2021



**Independent examiner's report on
the accounts**

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Report to the trustees/ members of	THE HELP UGANDA TRUST		
On accounts for the year ended	31 st December 2020	Charity no (if any)	1113447
Set out on pages	3 pages Report and 2 pages Accounts		

Responsibilities and basis of report	<p>I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/200.</p> <p>As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").</p> <p>I report in respect of my examination of the Trust'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.</p>		
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Independent examiner's statement	<p>I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or • the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or • the accounts did 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. <p>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.</p> <p><i>* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.</i></p>		
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Signed:		Date:	30.10.2021
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