



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date		
From	22	Sept	2020	To	21	Set	2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

THE CORDILLERA CONNECTION

Other names charity is known by

TCC/ British Filipino Foundation (BFF)

Registered charity number (if any)

1152344

Charity's principal address

5 Rosemary Close

South Ockendon

Thurrock

Postcode

RM15 6JJ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Marben Orfiano			TCC
2	Jenny Bastatas			TCC
3	Maria Victoria Pecson			TCC
4	Geralyn Luengo			TCC
5	Racquel Eustaquio			TCC
6	Christi Anne Opinion			TCC
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
None	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (e.g. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (e.g. trust, association, company)	Foundation/ CIO
Trustee selection methods (e.g. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The operational name of The Cordillera Connection in addition to its acronym, TCC, is also British Filipino Foundation (BFF).

Section C Objectives and activities

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

Relief of poverty.

Protection of good health.

Advancement of education.

Preservation and advancement of arts, culture and heritage.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION OF GOOD HEALTH

Health is one of the basic foundations and make-up of an individual. Helping others, particularly the health-deprived and disadvantaged people will help them get onto their feet and be able to thrive. Helping to grow healthy individuals will create and promote a healthy world.

TCC's Concert for Life Series have been a success in helping our hundreds of beneficiaries who need financial assistance for their medical needs. From its launching in 2013, 30 concerts have raised more than Php15,0000,000.00 These monies raised were directly used by beneficiaries and no amount are submitted to TCC. TCC funds all the expenses such as talents, hall rents, ticket productions and others. Beneficiaries sell tickets and use whatever money they raise from selling tickets. Sponsors and TCC chapters and partners around the are the sources of funding for this big project. The current COVID-19 Pandemic that struck the world has unfortunately stopped the project and will hopefully restart when life goes back to normal.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, concert for life series have been put on-hold. This is due to restriction and to protect beneficiaries, performers, volunteers and all who are involved with the activity.

TCC's Project Tree: TCC is also concerned with the environment in relation to its aim in maintaining a good health. Volunteers and its partner, Baguio Integrated Junior Police continued to maintain the ecological site in Baguio City that TCC adapted. Volunteers planted about 500 pine trees to the adapted site and is being maintained up to date. The site holds water source for the city.

TCC's Project Tree- TCC and its partner Baguio Integrated Junior Police have conducted the 3rd Clean Up and maintenance drive in July 2021. They cleaned up the area and replaced the trees that did not survive.





Project Takkay- Another Project under TCC's goal in the protection of health is Project Takkay. Volunteer Medical Professionals headed by Dr Ruth Taguiling, conducts medical missions and health educations most specially for women.

Women's Month
Project Takkay presents
A Virtual Forum via Zoom
12 March 2021
3:00-5:00PM Phil Time

TOPICS:
Cervical Cancer Awareness
Dr. Ruth R Taguiling, MD
Menopause
Dr. Ma. May Grace Doromal

Zoom Access:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/join/zoom/register/tZYkc-mvrjopEtMZzmyDLs8xsVFab1ztLUN>

 Facilitator:
Gregorio C. Taag 

Project Takkay- In March 2021, Dr Ruth conducted online seminar on Cervical Cancer Awareness and Menopause, with participation of Dr May Grace Doromal.

RELIEF OF POVERTY ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION

We believe that poverty is one of the reasons of environmental degradation and the developing chaos in the society. Helping alleviate poverty and giving hopes to disadvantaged people thru provision of needed health services, livelihood, education, and community development will help create a prosperous and peaceful society and making the world a better dwelling place for humanity.

Every individual has the right to education. This will give them the opportunity for learning, development, and empowerment. It is our belief that helping out for the provision of education will give a room for people, most

especially the economically disadvantaged, to improve and develop their personality, career, and everything that contributes to personal well-being and as community.

ONGOING PROGRAM- We have continued to support our scholars for the school year 2019-2020. COVID-19 Pandemic was not able to deter our desire to support scholars. Individual sponsors and TCC Chapters continued to provide support to our scholars. In spite of challenges during the pandemic, both scholars and sponsors continued to make their commitments. Support given to the scholars ranges from sponsoring their tuition fees up to providing their school needs for home/ module schooling.

Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs), mostly Cordillerans, based in different countries made a remarkable contribution in supporting scholars. Financially deprived students come to TCC to appeal for financial assistance. TCC then makes the appeal to TCC members and supporters who are willing to support these students. Almost in all instances, appealing students always find an OFW or a local member of the community who are generous to support them. TCC and its supporters have already supported almost a hundred students. Most of them have finished their education and are settled in their dreamed career and are supporting their families. TCC continues to support promising students as it strongly believes its members and supporters are always ready to give support to the Youngs who are the hope of the future generations.



Throughout the pandemic, there has been continuous flow of OFWs and local donors who have been sending their financial support for students who come to seek support for financial aid for their education. TCC is proud to be a medium between generous donors and the students who are having financial difficulties for their educational needs.

OPERATION HOPE: This is one of TCC's remarkable projects. TCC also responds to calamities during the calamities. Our sponsors, volunteers, chapters and organisation partners continued giving their commitment and support to our causes however challenging the situation during such situations. During the pandemic, TCC and its volunteers and supporters were able to provide humanitarian works to support communities who are affected.

Here in United Kingdom, the UK Government thru National Lottery awarded £9,000.00 grant to TCC to help members of the Filipino Community. With the grant, TCC COVID-19 Community Support Project was set-up and TCC Trustees and volunteers worked with several Filipino community and church organisations to reach out those who are in need. More than a hundred individuals and families were given support. The support ranged from providing essential goods up to granting financial financial assistance. This project continued until the end of 2020.

ADVANCEMENT OF ARTS, CULTURE AND HERITAGE

Each individual always seeks for its belongingness. Helping people to maintain and take pride of their arts, culture, and heritage helps in the achievement of well-being. Collectively, maintaining and preserving arts, culture and heritage contributes to the celebration of world's diversity and giving privilege for future generations to experience and see.

ONGOING PROJECTS: ARTS, MUSICAL and CULTURAL SHOWS

Apart from the Concert for Life Series which also features music talents, TCC, thru its supportive chapters, volunteers, supporters and donors, is also organising events that features arts and cultural diversity. TCC again held the Binnadangan Cultural Festival in October 2019 to feature the Cordilleran Culture and their ways of leaving.

This year, TCC prioritised safety and abide by the COVID-19 restrictions so these types of activities are currently on-hold.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

With TCC's track record and its commitments to its advocacies, the organisation was a nominee of the Search for Outstanding Volunteers of the Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency.

Summary of Projects:

Section D**Achievements and performance****Section E****Financial review**

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Volunteers and staff are helping each other to raise funds for TCC's projects, they are kind-hearted Cordillerans residing in different locations around the world. Fundraising activities are thru events mentioned above. The proceeds plus voluntary donations are used to fund our projects and provide grants to our beneficiaries. Any funds left are kept as general fund to be utilised for the proceeding year's activities.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None


Section F**Other optional information**

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity’s trustees

Signature(s)			
Full name(s)	Marben Orfiano		
Position (e.g. Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee		
Date	04 January 2022		



Charity Name THE CORDILLERA CONNECTION	No (if any) 1152344
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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start 22-Sep-20	To	Period end 21-Sep-21
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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					
22 September 20- 21 December 2020 (Bank)	2,225	-	-	2,225	278
22 December 2020- 21 March 2021 (Bank)	418	-	-	418	819
22 March- 21 June 2021 (Bank)	1,014	-	-	1,014	1,533
22 June- 21 September 2021 (Bank)	1,605	-	-	1,605	9,629
Balance Last Year	7,101	-	-	7,101	
Cash on hand	1,000	-	-	1,000	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	13,362	-	-	13,362	12,259
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	13,362	-	-	13,362	12,259
A3 Payments					
22 September- 21 December 2020	9,398	-	-	9,398	200
22 December 2020- 21 March 2021	225	-	-	225	600
22 March- 21 June 2021	1,595	-	-	1,595	1,249
22 June- 21 September 2021	1,553	-	-	1,553	3,109
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	12,771	-	-	12,771	5,158
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	12,771	-	-	12,771	5,158

Net of receipts/(payments)	592	-	-	592	7,101
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	592	-	-	592	7,101


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

Categories	Details	Unrestrict ed funds	Restricted funds	Endowm ent funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B1 Cash funds			-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	-	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
		Unrestrict ed funds	Restricted funds	Endowm ent
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details			
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details			
			-	-
	Gangsa Set	General	700	800
	PA Systems & Music	General	2,200	2,200
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	Total Value		2,900	3,000

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees
on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Marben Orfiano	02-Jan-22