



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	22	Sept	2023		21	Set	2024

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
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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
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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, 33 concerts have raised more than Php18,000,000.00 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.

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 4th Clean Up and maintenance drive in June 2022. They cleaned up the area and replaced the trees that did not survive.

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.

TCC CHARITY WORKS CONTINUE DURING COVID 2022 – TCC – Montreal volunteers Clarita M. Tamaken , Grace Marcos and Priscila Arcita sponsored the gift-giving activity to 10 families in Green Valley, Baguio City, Philippines. Each family received a half Cavan of rice and pack of groceries worth P2500.00. TCC-Montreal are group of Filipino Overseas Workers in Montreal, Canada.

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.

Meanwhile, while we hav not organised as many fundraising as the previous years some TCC Sponsors abroad (Cordillerans working abroad) continued to support those in need, including our scholars.

Our supportive Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs), mostly Cordillerans, based in different

countries continues to make 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.

After 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. The funds though do not come thru TCC-UK accounts. They are given thru our TCC Philippines team.

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.

During this period, TCC was not able to organise relief activities due to lack of funds and fundraising initiatives. Most of our funds are now to pay the COVID-19 loan.

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.

ON-HOLD 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. TCC was not able to organise similar activities the few past years.

***Due to family and job commitment of trustees, TCC activities have been put on-hold until further notice.

Section D

Achievements and performance



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Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

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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

09 June 2025



Charity Name THE CORDILLERA CONNECTION		No (if any) 1152344	CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts			
For the period from	Period start 22-Sep-23	To	Period end date 21-Sep-24

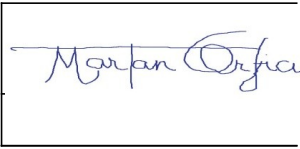
Section A Receipts and payments

	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 2023 (Bank)	-	-	-	-	
22 December 2020- 21 March 2024 (Bank)	-	-	-	-	
22 March- 21 June 2024 (Bank)	-	-	-	-	
22 June- 21 September 2024 (Bank)	-	-	-	-	
Balance Last Year	592	-	-	592	592
Cash on hand	1,000	-	-	1,000	1,000
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	1,592	-	-	1,592	1,592
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	1,592	-	-	1,592	1,592
A3 Payments					
22 September 20- 21 December 2020	-	-	-	-	
22 December 2020- 21 March 2021	-	-	-	-	
22 March- 21 June 2021	-	-	-	-	
22 June- 21 September 2021	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,592	-	-	1,592	1,592
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	1,592	-	-	1,592	1,592

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			-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	-	-	-
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		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details			
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details			
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	Gangsa Set	General Fund	700	800
	PA Systems & Music	General Fund	2,200	2,200
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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	Total Value		2,900	3,000
B5 Liabilities	Details			
			-	
			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees
on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Marben Orfiano	9-Jun-25