

Legs4Africa

12.03.2020 - 31.03.21

Trustees' Annual Report



Registered Charity Number 1158697

Reference and administrative details of the charity:

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Registration number: 1158697

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Note on dates: This reporting period is over 1 year due to aligning to normal financial year for future April 1st - March 31st.

Trustee Board

Richard Hibbert (Chair)

Sam Gibson

Bex Yearworth

Alexander Emenike

Reena Agarwal

Structure, governance and management

Particulars of governing document: Trust Deed dated 12 March 2014.

Methods adopted for the recruitment and appointment of new trustees:

No trustees have left or been appointed during this period

Financial Review

In and Out (£)	March 2020 - 2021
Total Income	459,815
Total Expenditure	361,415

Reserves Policy - Hold £50,000 in reserves, in a separate bank account

There are no funds in deficit

Paid employees include:

Phil Tunstall - Development Director
Tom Williams - Founding Director
Evie Dickinson - Fundraising Manager
Christopher Ingram - Project Manager
Bethany Elgood - Project Manager
Stefanie Hadley - Delivery Coordinator

Public benefit statement

The Trustees hereby declare and affirm that they have complied with their duty to have regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers and/or duties.

Objectives and activities of Legs4Africa

Legs4Africa is a charitable organization in the UK focused on empowering amputees in developing African countries. Legs4Africa's vision is to see amputees across Africa live independently. Legs4Africa's mission is to provide amputees with assistive technologies, and emotional and physical rehabilitation. Our approach is to build a network of partnering mobility centre's in Africa, who are assisted by receiving new and used prosthetic leg components which are used by trained staff to build prosthetic legs for the local amputee population, and aid them with physiotherapy and physical rehabilitation. To aid with the emotional rehabilitation Legs4Africa set up support groups local to the mobility centres, that are run by amputees, for amputees, creating a network of support that aids to empower

amputees, and helping them find work, training and social connections.

Legs4Africa work from Bristol, they collect prosthetic legs from hospitals and individual donors from across the UK. They partner with local Men's Shed organisations that dismantle the legs into their individual components, which are then sorted for sending to Africa. They also utilise the use of volunteers to carry equipment with them on holidays or business trips, if they are heading near a partnering centre then they are encouraged to take a box of leg components with them. Initiatives like this means Legs4Africa achieves a lot with a small budget.

Legs4Africa is composed of volunteers and professionals who are working diligently to refine the model even further to ensure that the charity can provide even more prosthetics, to even more amputees, in the most efficient and cost effective way.

Vision

Affordable rehabilitation for amputees across Africa

Mission

To help amputees live independently, by providing prosthetic legs, along with physical and emotional rehabilitation

Values

We believe that all amputees should have access to a prosthetic leg

We believe independence is achieved through community, education and opportunity

We look for local solutions first

We believe in collaborating with other organisations

We are inclusive of people that are under-represented

We communicate with transparency

We present every person with dignity, agency and humanity through our media

We will have a positive impact on the planet for generations to come

We listen, adapt and say thank you

Current Situation

We currently collect 2000 legs a year in the UK, which we think is almost the limit.

We dismantle the legs into useful components, which we refurbish, clean and ship to 10 mobility centres in 7 Sub-saharan African countries. We are currently close to meeting the demand for parts in these centres, however we know of at least 60 centres that require a solution for low-cost prosthetic components, and we cannot meet that demand.

There is a huge need for emotional support alongside physical rehabilitation. We have set up community groups in Gambia, helping with counselling and referrals to local services. Our head office in Bristol employs 6 full time staff, 2 part time staff, and 3 regular volunteers. We employ 7 staff in The Gambia (3 in the mobility centre, 3 in community support and 1 data collector)

There is a lack of prosthetists and technicians in Africa, especially female ones. We have 7 women, including 5 amputees in training to become prosthetic technicians. Along with 1 male in training to become a prosthetist.

Objectives and Priorities This Year

Expanding our prosthetic leg recycling programme in Europe, Canada, USA and Australia.

Expand our emotional support group programme in Ghana, Gambia and Uganda, through providing peer support and increasing the organisational capacity of amputee led groups.

Increase the number of amputees accessing, and quality of our mobility centre partners services

Explore technologies for delivering online training, and for manufacturing leg components locally

Reporting

We regularly update our website and social media with reports, blog posts and demonstrations of impact.

We report with gratitude to our funders directly, including UK Aid, regular public donations, family trusts and grants, corporate partners and public fundraisers.



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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	12/03/2020	To	31/03/2021
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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					
Donations	134,360	295,614	-	429,974	352,016
Job Retention Scheme	29,841	-	-	29,841	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	164,201	295,614	-	459,815	352,016
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	164,201	295,614	-	459,815	352,016

A3 Payments

Staff Costs	1,098	210,514	-	211,612	117,043
Project Spending	4,822	103,717	-	108,539	46,328
Fundraising / Marketing	1,619	7,826	-	9,445	17,662
Office Costs	2,330	19,278	-	21,608	13,135

Insurance	493	-	-	493	674
Staff Training	1,042	7,107	-	8,149	3,596
Bank Charges	101	73	-	174	302
Other	-	1,395	-	1,395	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	11,505	349,910	-	361,415	198,740

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
		-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	

Total payments	11,505	349,910	-	361,415	198,740
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Net of receipts/(payments)	152,696	- 54,296	-	98,400	153,276
A5 Transfers between funds	- 129,199	129,199	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	33,752	179,480	-	213,232	59,956
Cash funds this year end	57,249	254,383	-	311,632	213,232

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	Business Account	7,217	246,862	-
	Reserves Account	50,032	-	-
	Debit Account	-	7,521	-
	Total cash funds	57,249	254,383	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds

	Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-


	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
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			-	-
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			-	-
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			-	-

B5 Liabilities

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

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Richard Hibbert	27/10/21