

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH
2023 for
FAMILIES AGAINST VIOLENCE

CHARITY NO 1166240

Families Against Violence
Registered Charity No 1166240

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity No. 1166240 - Constituted as a Foundation Charitable Incorporated Organization

Trustees who served in the year ended 31st March 2023 and to the date of this report :

Linford Sweeney (Chair):	Full year
Ahmed Yassin:	Full year
Barrington Reeves:	September 2022
Alexandra Dixon:	August 2021
Will Forwood:	July 2023

Chief Executive: James Gregory

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Trustees Report for the Year Ending 31st March 2023

FAMILIES AGAINST VIOLENCE: DRIVING CHANGE

Our founder



“Every child deserves somebody to turn to. They all deserve encouragement and guidance: the kind of example set by positive role models. Families Against Violence empowers men to be just that. We provide support to young, disadvantaged people so that even the most vulnerable can develop self-confidence and self-esteem.”

James Gregory – Founder & Chief Executive

Background

Fathers Against Violence (“FAV”) was established in March 2011 by James Gregory following the death of his son due to gang related violence. The organisation subsequently registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 29th March 2016 with the name, Families Against Violence (“FAM”).

Objects

The Objects of the charity as per its constitution are: -

- Providing support and guidance to local young people and their families so that they become more effective members of the community;
- Addressing and reducing gang and gun culture in the community by using a preventative and early intervention model
- Bringing young people together with the aim of promoting social inclusion that will build their self-esteem, raise their aspirations and encourage them to take greater responsibility for their actions and decisions
- Making the work of the charity accessible to all members of the community across Greater Manchester for the public benefit.

Mission

FAM's mission is to limit and prevent the damage, disruption and marginalisation of inner-city communities as a result of exposure to gang culture by: -

- Delivering sports activities to young children in order to raise aspirations and provide tailored support toward positive engagement with education, statutory services and community cohesion initiatives;
- Promoting the positive influence of father figures and male role models with the aim of reducing violence and criminal activity via a bespoke Mentoring Programme
- Providing specialist support services for young people at risk of exposure to gang culture enabling them to make informed choices about their future;
- Providing training to local young people to become sports coaches, supporting them through that process and giving them opportunities to practice the acquired skills; and • Challenging discriminatory policy and practice and informing public perception about issues affecting inner city communities, particularly those of predominantly BME population.

Our Services and Activities

We run seven (7) 2-hour sessions per week and, in addition, run a Under 21 football team (CUKI FC) that competes in the Manchester Amateur Sunday League.

Mondays – After School Club for 6- to 11-year-olds at Moss Side Leisure Centre

Mondays – Fitness, Employability & Lifeskills for 18- to 21-year-olds at Platt Lane Sports Complex

Wednesdays - After School Club for 12- to 16-year-olds at Moss Side Leisure Centre

Thursdays - Fitness, Employability & Lifeskills for 18- to 21-year-olds at Platt Lane Sports Complex

Fridays – Organised Football Session for 16- to 25-year-olds at Platt Lane Sports Complex

Saturdays – Soccer School for 6- to 11-year-olds at Platt Lane Sports Complex

Saturdays – Soccer School for 12- to 16-year-olds at Platt Lane Sports Complex
Sundays – CUKI FC U21 matches at various locations in Greater Manchester.

Over the 2022/23 year we estimate that we have had a total of some 9,000 engagements with children and young people, featuring many hundred distinct individuals. None of this would have course been possible without the efforts of our sessional coaches & classroom leaders (20 in the year) and volunteers (45+ in the year), backed by the organisations who have provided financial and in-kind support for our activities. We are also indebted to management and staff at the local sports facilities we use for their support, advice and patience.

These facilities are referenced in the narrative of this Report. MACC, the organisation that supports the voluntary community and social enterprise sector in Manchester, has provided advice and guidance throughout the year.

Structure, Governance and Management

FAM is a Foundation CIO. The charity is managed on a day-to-day basis by James Gregory, Chief Executive, alongside our independent Trustees with experience and key skills in areas such as Finance, Marketing, HR and Law. The Chair, a renowned Black History researcher, educator and writer has over 20 years voluntary sector experience working closely in partnership with statutory, private and voluntary sector agencies. Our other long-standing Trustee is Ahmed Yassin, an acknowledged local community leader with much experience in youth work. He is also an award-winning football coach.

The Trustees met regularly throughout the year.

Risk Management

The Trustees still consider that a significant risk facing the Charity is the potential inability to raise sufficient funds to maintain and develop its principal services of sports activities and mentoring to young people. Good performance with our funded projects and the submission of timely and comprehensive monitoring and evaluation reports will mitigate this risk to some extent. In addition, the Charity has also been awarded funding that allows us, as part of a partnership, to hire a professional fundraiser for two days per month

Our priority fundraising goal last year was to secure multiyear funding and we succeed through a three year Reaching Communities grant. This was to support our core costs, including the salary of a Chief Executive.

The increased level of activity that the Charity had built-up over the last year has highlighted the importance of administrative, project management and financial controls. A successful AB Charitable Trust grant was acquired and has supported our core team in the past 12 months. The Trustees have also examined other operational and business risks and can confirm that suitable measures have been taken to mitigate any significant risks.

Development and Achievements 2022/23

FAV organised a residential trip to Cumbria in 2022, hosting 13 young people from Hulme and Moss Side in collaboration with the Pace Alliance, Violence Reduction Unit, and the Greater Manchester Mayor's Office. The outing provided the young people, who had never ventured beyond Greater Manchester, with outdoor activities focusing on team building and life skills. Our Chief Executive was honoured with the Black FA Award, a testament to our commitment to diversity and inclusion in sports. Winning this award underscores the importance of representation and recognition within our community, especially in empowering marginalised groups.

We're expanding our provision to young people, prioritising accessibility for girls and ethnic minorities, including refugee asylum seekers. Partnering with Manchester Academy, our Football Academy CUKI introduced under U8, 9, 10 teams and a girls team. Our HAF program reached numerous disadvantaged youths, prompting requests for provision in two new areas. Additionally, our Youth Club was launched and quickly established itself offering diversionary activities weekly in a secure, welcoming community space. Exciting partnerships with Barclays, Antz Junction, and Forest Bank Prison are underway, promising further growth and impact in the coming year.

Funding

Cash funding received in 2022/23 totalled £129,806 (£158,438 in 2021/22). A full breakdown of this funding, together with an indication of what activities and projects those funds were used for, is summarised in the table at the end of this Report. Most of this funding was awarded to enable us to run events and activities for children and young people in our local area. Notable exceptions include:

- i. £32,130 from the Department of Culture, Media and Sport's Youth Investment Fund. This has been used to purchase a mini bus and a camera system that better enables us to provide feedback to participants in our various sports coaching programmes;
- ii. £40,000 (£20,000 paid in 2021/22, the balance in 2022/23) from the Covid Recovery Fund to enable us (and partners Claremont Youth Project and Connecting Steps Manchester Project) to build capacity and extend and improve service provision;

- iii. An award under the Government's Kickstart scheme than enabled us to recruit an apprentice for 6 months. The scheme provides for full reimbursement of employment costs plus a small contribution towards set-up and other associated costs. The apprentice started work with us in February 2022. We received £1,000 under this scheme in 2021/22 and expect to receive a further roughly £4,300 in 2022/23;
- iv. £6,710 from the Angus Irvine Playing Fields Fund for unrestricted use in furthering the Charity's mission.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report above.
Signed on behalf of the charity's Trustees

Signature required:

Linford Sweeney  Date 14th November 2024

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Families Against Violence

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2023 which are set out on pages 10 to 16.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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').

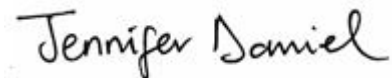
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 charity as required by section 130 of the Act; and
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.



Jennifer Daniel FCCA DChA

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Date 18 November 2024

Families Against Violence
Receipts and Payments Account
for the year ended 31 March 2023

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
Receipts					
Donations & Fundraising		3,027	-	3,027	1,592
Grants		5,000	121,779	126,779	156,846
Total receipts		8,027	121,779	129,806	158,438
Payments					
Salaries		-	1,816	1,816	1,148
Sessional Staff		-	52,446	52,446	36,937
Rent		-	444	444	255
Transport		80	719	799	1,839
Facility Hire		-	37,630	37,630	25,009
Equipment					
Fixed Assets		-	804	804	32,894
Other Equipment		-	632	632	3,779
Training		-	137	137	150
Administration		586	8,211	8,797	2,790
Event Catering		-	12,201	12,201	12,847
Laundry		-	72	72	726
Match Fees		-	2,121	2,121	879
Insurance		-	1,118	1,118	1,996
General Expenses		-	-	-	1,512
Consulting Fees		-	414	414	500
Total payments		666	118,765	119,431	123,261
Net receipts/(payments) before transfers		7,361	3,014	10,375	35,177
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Net receipts/payments		7,361	3,014	10,375	35,177
Cash funds at the start of the year		1,536	38,603	40,139	4,962
Cash funds at the end of the year		8,897	41,617	50,514	40,139

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Statement of balances
as at 31 March 2023

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
Cash funds					
Bank and cash balances at start of year		40,139	-	40,139	4,962
Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account		7,361	3,014	10,375	35,177
Bank and cash balances at end of year		47,500	3,014	50,514	40,139
Other assets					
	Fund			2023	2022
Fixed assets	Unrestricted			34,785	34,383
Total other assets				34,785	34,383
Liabilities					
	Fund			2023	2022
Current Liabilities	Unrestricted			-	1,476
Total liabilities				-	1,476

Approved by the trustees on 14 / 11 / 2024 and signed on their behalf by:



Linford Sweeney (Chair)

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023

1 Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts & Payments basis in accordance with the

2 Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of charity.

Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular

3 Trustee remuneration and expenses, and related party transactions

None of the trustees nor any persons connected with them received any remuneration during the year .

No (2022: no) trustees received travel and subsistence expenses during the year.

There are no donations from related parties which are outside the normal course of business and no restricted donations from related parties.

No trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

4 Analysis of movements in restricted funds

	Balance at 1 April 2022	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Balance at 31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
HMG via Manchester City Council (HAF)	77	-	(77)	-	-
DCM&S / BBC Children in Need	406	-	(406)	-	-
Manchester City Council & Others (CRF)	19,850	-	(19,850)	-	-
HMG via Manchester City Council (HAF)	76	-	(76)	-	-
Sport England / Big Lottery Awards for All	984	-	(984)	-	-
City in the Community	8,275	-	(8,275)	-	-
MCRactive (Half Term)	1,564	-	(1,564)	-	-
Greene King	177	-	(177)	-	-
Sport England	2,091	-	(2,091)	-	-
	1,561	-	(1,561)	-	-
NOMA	65	-	(65)	-	-
KFC	1,399	-	(1,399)	-	-
MCRactive (Breaking MSV Social Housing)	1,500	-	(1,500)	-	-
AB Charitable	578	-	(578)	-	-
Allianze Management		10,000	(10,000)	-	-
Manchester Active		3,000	(3,000)	-	-
		81,279	(38,649)	-	42,630
Total	38,603	121,779	(114,418)	-	45,964

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

4 Analysis of movements in restricted funds (continued)

Previous reporting period	Balance at 1 April 2021	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Balance at 31 March 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
<i>HMG via Manchester City Council (HAF)</i>	-	38,115	(38,038)	-	77
<i>DCM&S / BBC Children in Need</i>	-	32,130	(31,724)	-	406
<i>Manchester City Council & Others</i>	-	20,000	(150)	-	19,850
<i>HMG via Manchester City Council (HAF)</i>	-	10,180	(10,104)	-	76
<i>Sport England / Big Lottery Awards for All</i>	-	10,000	(9,016)	-	984
	-	9,800	(1,525)	-	8,275
<i>City in the Community</i>	-	5,040	(3,476)	-	1,564
<i>MCRactive (Half Term)</i>	-	4,802	(4,714)	-	88
<i>MCRactive (Half Term)</i>	-	3,100	(3,011)	-	89
<i>Greene King</i>	-	3,000	(909)	-	2,091
<i>Sport England</i>	-	2,162	(601)	-	1,561
<i>Forever Manchester</i>	-	2,021	(2,021)	-	-
<i>NOMA</i>	-	2,021	(1,956)	-	65
<i>KFC</i>	-	2,000	(601)	-	1,399
<i>CYP</i>	-	1,665	(1,665)	-	-
<i>Saturday Soccer Camp</i>	-	1,586	(1,586)	-	-
<i>Payments</i>	-	1,586	(1,586)	-	-
<i>MCRactive (Breaking Boundaries)</i>	-	1,500	-	-	1,500
<i>MSV Social Housing</i>	-	1,000	-	-	1,000
<i>HMG / DWP / Growth</i>	-	1,000	(1,422)	-	(422)
<i>FA Foundation</i>	-	500	(500)	-	-
<i>Manchester FA</i>	-	100	(100)	-	-
<i>Sported</i>	2,000	-	(3,265)	1,265	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Total	3,500	151,722	(117,884)	1,265	38,603

Name of fund **Description, nature and purposes of the fund**

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

5 Analysis of movement in unrestricted funds

	Balance at 1 April 2022 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	As at 31 March 2023 £
General fund	3,012	8,027	(666)	-	10,373
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	3,012	8,027	(666)	-	10,373
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Previous reporting period	Balance at 1 April 2021 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	As at 31 March 2022 £
General fund	1,462	6,716	(3,901)	(1,265)	3,012
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	1,462	6,716	(3,901)	(1,265)	3,012
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Name of fund	Description, nature and purposes of the fund
General fund	Bank and cash balances available for general charitable activities.

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

6 Analysis of fixed assets**Assets retained for charity own use**

	Net Book Value	Additions	Depreciation	Net Book Value
Purchased in previous years				
Laptops	385	-	-	385
PlayStation	600	-	-	600
Music Equipment	249	-	-	249
ThinkPad	160	-	-	160
Samsung Galaxy	95	-	-	95
iPad	699	-	-	699
Desk Top Computers	239	-	-	239
Gazebos	318	-	-	318
Printer	122	-	-	122
iPhone	1,205	-	-	1,205
Mini Bus	28,275	-	-	28,275
VEO Systems	2,036	-	-	2,036
	34,383	-	-	34,383
Purchased in 2022/23				
Laptop	-	402	-	402
	-	402	-	402
	34,383	402	-	34,785