

RELEASING CAPTIVES INTERNATIONAL

England & Wales · Charity number 1166602

Details

Other names	RCI
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2016-04-19
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT BY SUPPORTING THOSE DETAINED IN PRISONS, DETENTION CENTRES OR SIMILAR ESTABLISHMENTS, IN PARTICULAR, THROUGH THE PROVISION OF PASTORAL SUPPORT, HOLDING PRAYER MEETINGS, AND STUDY GROUPS TO ENLIGHTEN OTHERS ABOUT THE CHRISTIAN FAITH.

Activities: RCI seeks to support those in prison or detention centers by ministering to their well being with the Christian faith. This is achieved through pastoral support and holding Christian meetings for prayer worship instruction and study. RCI looks to establish a new sense of peace, hope and joy to those detained and to restore and encourage the confidence and dignity with the Christian Gospel.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Other Finance, Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Religious Activities, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£585	£1,655	-	-
2024-03-31	£1,548	£1,679	-	-
2023-03-31	£507	£1,883	-	-
2022-03-31	£1,038	£2,307	-	-
2021-03-31	£5,293	£1,979	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Adrain BILL	Chair	2023-05-15
Djab NARH		2023-12-11
James Peter Evans-Jones		2024-01-15
MR PAUL MERVIN		2015-10-30

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Finally, funds have recently increased, and regular contributions have started to come in once more. This was and is in keeping with the Trustees previous summation that as ministry opportunities returned the funding would naturally follow.

Income received this year from friends of RCI currently stands at £2003.45 with individual donations via direct debit adding to this sum monthly.

Expenditure is £1655.45 comprising mainly, membership of CIC and attendance at its conference, plus web site services, recording/editing and Zoom payments.

The current balance as of 31 January 2026 stands at £2,003.45.

Adrian Bill
Chair of Trustees
31st January 2026

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Income received this year from friends of RCI currently stands at £1548.50 with individual donations via direct debit adding to this sum monthly.

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The current balance as of 2nd December 2024 stands at £3,185.08.

Adrian Bill
Chair of Trustees
5th January 2025

Releasing Captives International Financial Report 2023/2024

Income	1548.50
Gifting	1031.00
CiC membership	240.00
Website expenses	268.00
Zoom meeting	140.31
Expenditure	1679.31
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Income received this year from friends of RCI currently stands at £507.38 with individual donations via direct debit adding to in this sum monthly.

Expenditure is £1883.42 comprising mainly, membership of CIC and attendance at its conference, plus web site services, recording/editing and Zoom payments.

The current balance as of the 20th December 2023 stands at £3,314.00.

Adrian Bill
Chair of Trustees
8th January 2024

Releasing Captives International Financial Report 2022/2023

Income

Donation	507.38
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Total	507.38
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Expenditure

CiC membership	360
Website expenses	250
Zoom meeting	173.88
Polo shirts	540
Refreshment for 20 th anniversary	141.54
Editing for recording	418.00

Total	1883.42
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RCI Report year end March 22

RCI's key function is to support and encourage those of a Christian faith in both Detention Centres and Prisons. The main method to achieve this is by running Christian services in these establishments. The pandemic health restrictions have continued to curtail the main operations of RCI this year.

At points in the year visits have been allowed following strict covid tests. However, the actual numbers in the detention centre has been very low.

Therefore, the RCI charity has developed the opportunity to place on-line services through an informal link with the Kiros charity. Sermon messages from RCI volunteers have been recorded and mixed with praise and worship singing. However, this work has been frustrated due to the lack of studio space and editing expertise. Looking forward, a key RCI objective is to search for resources to assist with these aspects of production and editing. The aim, to enable it to place increased resources of Christian services into prisons and detention centres.

With the continued slowdown of activities, volunteer numbers and funds have fallen. The Trustees believe both of these will return as opportunities return as health restrictions are eased.

Income in this year is £1038 from friends of RCI

Expenditure is £2307 comprising mainly, a new lap top, membership of CIC and attendance at its conference, plus web site services.

John Nash
Chair of Trustees
12 May 2022

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Financial Report for RCI

2021/22

Income

Donation	1038
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Total

Expenditure

CiC membership	360
Conferences	140
Website expenses	250
Zoom meeting	173
Computer and zone alarm and new laptop	654
recording	440
gifts to Pastor Asif	290

Total	2307
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Sadly, due to the advent of Covid in early 2020, the activities of RCI have been much curtailed. These activities normally involve the running of Christian services in Heathrow Detention Centres and encouraging and supporting those detained in the centres in their Christian faith. RCI maintains a strong relationship with the chaplaincy team.

The National lockdown and restrictions since April 2020 have closed the detention centres to us as visitors and there is no immediate sight of this situation changing. However, RCI has wanted to continue its support of those detained or in prison and sought to place its Christian services on-line. An opportunity has arisen to place recordings of various preaching and church services on the internal media network at the Detention centres and prisons nationally. RCI is seeking to make the most of this with additional recording and editing messages. We have in fact already done this in many establishments, and this support has been appreciated.

Contact with many ex detainees has continued via phone and zoom to encourage them in their Christian life.

Early in the pandemic, one of our volunteers, Sarah Rennie died from Covid. In her memory, a ring-fenced fund has been established to receive and make gifts to those in need, either volunteers or those ministered to by RCI. To date £960 has been received and £575 distributed leaving £385 in the ring-fenced fund.

Income in this year is £4363 including a gift from Equippers church and friends of RCI

Expenditure is £1204 comprising mainly, membership of CIC and attendance at its conference, and web site services.

John Nash
Chair Trustees
12 May 2022