



Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts

2020/2021

The Trustees of **Change through Education in Africa** present their fourth annual report and accounts, covering the period between 1st May 2020 and the end of its financial year, 30th April 2021 ('the period').

Reference and Administration Details

Change through Education in Africa, also known as '**CEDA**', is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) which was registered with the Charity Commission of England and Wales on 10th May 2017. The charity's registration number is **1172971**.

The charity does not have any formal offices or other premises within the UK. Our registered address during the period was: **5 Spruce Close, Leigh Sinton, Worcestershire, WR13 5FD**.

The names of all those who have served as the charity's trustees during the period and subsequently are given below:

Trustee name:	Office:	Start:	End:
Emilie Larter	UK/Uganda	10 th May 2017	n/a
Hana Valúšková	Czech Republic	10 th May 2017	n/a
Veronika Panská	Czech Republic	10 th May 2017	n/a
Jacqueline Larter	UK	12 th October 2019	n/a
Sheeba Khan	India/Uganda	12 th October 2019	n/a
Joseph Waiswa	Uganda	12 th October 2019	n/a

Structure, Governance and Management

During the period, there was no change with the charity trustees. Emilie Larter and Hana Valúšková are founders of CEDA. Sheeba Khan and Joseph Waiswa reside in Uganda where the charitable projects take place. Emilie Larter was also residing in Uganda for the majority of the period, before returning to the UK in January 2021. Emilie Larter is the charity's chairperson and Hana Valúšková is the charity's treasurer.

Any new trustees will be appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the current charity trustees.

CEDA's governing document is our Constitution which guides us in all our decision making as a charity.

Objectives and Activities

We established CEDA as a non-profit organisation with the aim to strive towards helping to end the cycle of poverty in Uganda. Our mission is to provide children with sustainable, quality education opportunities in order to break the cycle of poverty in their family once and for all.

Our objectives, as set out in our constitution, are as follows:

- *To relieve poverty by providing the funds and equipment for training and skill development for families in rural areas of the Busoga Kingdom, Uganda, to bring the quality of life of the beneficiaries to a reasonable standard.*
- *To provide relief to those in need by reason of age, ill health and financial hardship by providing care facilities to children who are unable to be supported from their home.*

During the period, our activities and work in Uganda differed from that of previous years. The Covid-19 pandemic that swept across the world, meant that for the majority of the period, Uganda was under lockdown. Schools remained closed during this time. With CEDA Home School closed, our attention turned to ensuring the children we support were well cared for and fed, alongside helping those in the community suffering due to the pandemic and ongoing lockdowns. Our aims were still met in that we were providing relief to those who were in need due to financial hardship.

All trustees work on a volunteer-basis. All fundraising and activities have been carried out by them voluntarily. Emilie Larter, the chairperson of CEDA, was residing in Uganda for the majority of the period, where she oversaw the activities and ensured all funds were used as intended. On her departure, trustee Joseph Waiswa took on this role.

We have considered the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives as well as planning our future activities. The public benefit of CEDA lies in supporting vulnerable children from rural Uganda by providing an education where otherwise they would not receive one. The Trustees confirm that CEDA has complied with Section 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 in regard to the public benefit requirement.



Achievements and Performance

During the period, schools were closed due to the Covid-19 lockdown restrictions. Public transport was banned and many people across the country lost their jobs.

CEDA Home School remained closed, but we continued to provide for our staff and students. Food deliveries were made and workbooks purchased for the children to study in the villages. If a child were to fall sick, we covered their medical care bills.

We continued to fundraise for and purchase items for our school, ready for when it should re-open. We were able to purchase new whiteboards for the classrooms, a new printer and we commissioned a carpenter to make some new furniture.

For a small period of time, schools were open for the year groups that were to sit exams. One of the students we support fell under this category, as he is in the last year of Primary. We made arrangements and his exams were sat at a large nearby school. Considering our students had been out of school for such a long time, he did very well but we will continue to support him in his education journey until he is ready to go to secondary school.

We fundraised to help vulnerable people in the community during this period. We purchased beds and food for elderly people, as well as providing food relief for the families of boda-boda drivers (motorcycle taxis) who now found themselves without work. We fundraised to build a small house for an elderly couple deep in rural villages and we supported several individuals to start up a business in order to earn their own income.

During the period, we were provided land deep in the village free of charge. There are two separate plots which cover several acres. We cleared the smaller plot of land and built a fence around it, ensuring it is safe and secure. The land currently has a few small buildings, but in the future we hope to utilise this land for our school.

Towards the end of the period, one of the children we support and care for fell very sick and his kidneys were failing. He was admitted into intensive care in a large hospital in the capital city, Kampala. We launched a fundraiser especially to cover the large costs associated with this.



Financial Review

We continued to raise money via DonorSee, a US-based platform where donors donate to specific projects. These projects included the majority of our community outreach work, new school resources and furniture and food relief parcels for the children we support and their families.

The majority of the rest of our income was gained through child sponsorship and was restricted income. Child sponsorship covers the food and living expenses of the children we support.

Our staff salaries were covered by general donations and gift aid. A significant portion of our annual income was raised through JustGiving. This was the fundraising campaign specifically for the medical care of the little boy with kidney problems.

In our Reserves Policy, it states that unrestricted funds that have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained to ensure we have six months of running costs so that we are able to continue the charity's activities if any possible reductions in income arise. However, this level of reserves was not available as our unrestricted income has been considerably low as most funding has been donated for a specific use. As we grow as a charity and receive a higher amount of unrestricted income, we will ensure to maintain this level of reserves.



Receipts and Payments Accounts

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 £
Receipts					
General Donations	4084	-	-	4084	4753
Child Sponsorship	-	6753	-	6753	8486
Gift Aid	2057	-	-	2057	88
Fundraising Campaigns	-	24,085	-	24,085	4965
Fundraising Events	-	-	-	-	2935
Sub-total (Gross income for AR)	6141	30,838		36,980	21,227

Payments					
Administration Costs	1938	-	-	1938	998
Community Outreach	-	6460	-	6460	1666
Repairs and Maintenance	-	-	-	-	739
Transport	-	3388	-	3388	542
Office Supplies	-	-	-	-	161
Salaries & Wages	2151	2277	-	4428	3020
School Costs	-	1568	-	1568	4242
Bills	463	-	-	463	342
Boarding Running Costs	-	6660	-	6660	6226
Medical	-	1256	-	1256	152
Fees & Charges	902	-	-	902	1853
Sub-total	5494	21,609	-	27,063	19,933

Asset and investment purchases					
Purchase of Fixed Assets	-	1233	-	1233	937
Sub-total	-	-	-	1233	937
Total payments			-	28,296	20,870
Net of receipts/payments	647	9229	-	8684	357
Transfers between funds	-	-	-		-
Cash funds last year end	88	329	-	417	60
Cash funds this year end	735	9558	-	9101	417

Section B: Assets and Liabilities at the end of the period

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Assets retained for the charity's own use	Laptop	-	-	-
	Printers x2	-	-	-
	Bicycles	-	-	-
	School Furniture	-	-	-
		-	-	-

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report and accounts above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:



Emilie Larter

Chair



Hana Valúšková

Treasurer