

FAMINTERNATIONAL
(A Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year ending 5th April 2022

Charity Number: 1176909

FAMINTERNATIONAL

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
For the year ended 5th April 2022

Reference and Administrative details

Charity number: 1176909

Registered office: 4 Livingstone Road, Christchurch BH23 1HL

Bankers: Lloyds Bank,

Independent Examiner of Accounts: Sue Wintle FMAAT 27 Bascott Road Bournemouth BH11 8RJ

Directors and Trustees

The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:-

The Board of Trustees

Trinity Park
Catherine Butlin
John Butlin

Key management personnel

Mr John Butlin and Catherine Butlin

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
For the year ended 5th April 2022**

The trustees are pleased to present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 5TH April 2022

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities.

Structure, Governance and Management**Governing Document**

Faminternational is a charitable incorporated organisation registered on 30 January 2018 and is a charity registered with the Charity Commission.

Appointment of Trustees

Trustees can be appointed at any time during the year. New Trustees would be appointed if it was felt by the existing Board that the new appointee would add value to strategic thinking and leadership. It would not normally be expected to appoint more than two new trustees at any one time because of induction and training.

Trustee Induction and Training

The induction process for a new Trustee is as follows. A Trustee will meet with the new Trustee to explain all aspects of the Charity and to provide all relevant information regarding it. The Trustees will write to the new Trustee with a copy of the Memorandum of Association governing the Charity and a copy of the last set of accounts and Annual Review. The Trustees will also provide all assistance and information necessary for the new Trustee to become familiar with the activities of the Charity.

Organisation

The board of Trustees, which can have up to 8 members, administers the charity. The board formally meets once per year. To facilitate effective operations, the key manager meets with Individual Trustees regularly throughout the year (usually monthly) and has delegated authority, within terms of delegation approved by the Trustees for operational matters.

The Charity will work with other related parties and co-operate with other organisations where and when it is deemed to be of mutual benefit and in developing and supporting the various projects.

None of our Trustees receive remuneration or other benefit from their work with the charity.

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The charity has established links with FAMadagascar, a charity based in Madagascar working closely with them to achieve their aims.

Risk Management

The trustees have a risk management strategy which comprises: -

All potential risks being categorised against high, medium or low potential levels of impact with appropriate steps to mitigate the risks being discussed and recorded.

Before any volunteers are taken abroad a thorough risk assessment is conducted including areas of activity, travelling, medical facilities, food and accommodation.

Volunteer Services

The charity relies on voluntary help and during the year the charity benefited from 40 hours of services provided by volunteers and 2000 hours of Trustee time, most of this provided by John and Cath Butlin, who voluntarily manage and work for the charity in a full-time capacity. The Trustees thank all volunteers for the contribution to the charity's activities.

RESERVES POLICY

The trustees aim to maintain unrestricted reserves at a level sufficient to cover operating costs for at least 3 months. Unrestricted reserves as of 5th April 2022 amounted to around 9 months operating costs.

Our purposes and activities

FAMinternational' s purposes are: -

- 1) The prevention or relief of poverty or financial hardship by providing or assisting in the provision of education, training, healthcare projects and all the necessary support designed to enable individuals to generate a sustainable income and be self-sufficient.
- 2) The advancement of education of children and adults in such ways as the charity trustees think fit, including by awarding sponsorship, maintenance allowances or grants to enable them to access education and by the provision of educational materials and resources.
- 3) The relief of sickness and the preservation of health by providing or assisting in the provision of equipment, facilities, services and access to medical treatment.
- 4) The relief and care of children and young people without families and those whose families are unable to properly care for them by promoting the provision of high quality foster care for such children and by supporting foster carers themselves by way of training, support and practical advice in matters relating to the care and upbringing of children and young people. This purpose to be furthered in cooperation and partnership with the relevant local and national authorities in the country where working.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF ACTIVITIES IN THE YEAR

Activities which achieved purpose 1

Community Resources and Family Preservation

Through financial support, donations and with the help of volunteers on our teams we have continued to provide 36 vulnerable families (including 70 children) with accommodation, food, clothing and healthcare. Three of these families only required temporary support. We have continued to support the 21 pregnant ladies from the government's emergency covid centre for homeless who were in danger of abandoning their children to orphanages and enabled the families to stay together by developing capacity in various ways. We also have continued to support the referrals from the maternity hospital and centre for victims of domestic abuse.

Community Empowerment and Livelihoods.

Covid and the resulting economic slump as meant that it has been harder than expected for our families to find employment. However, our social and community workers continued to work with our families to enable them to become economically independent. Some have found work in a local factory, as a result of training they received. Some continue with their small business start-ups. One lady has completed her hair dressing beauty course. One man was successful in his driving test.

Thanks to the hard work of our social workers, most now have identity papers meaning that they will be able to find employment and rent accommodation independently of FAM in the future.

Our social and community workers provide an on-going community support to our families as they overcome the hurdles of stigmatisation and other social problems.

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The Golan village Project

Faminternational passed on donations which pay for the salaries of two primary school teachers at the small school next to the rubbish dump in Golan village. Another NGO provided over all management for the school.

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Activities Which Achieved Purpose 2

Education Sponsorship

A staggering 1 in 4 Malagasy still cannot read or write and 66% of children never finish primary school, the massive dropout rate for secondary school is because education is only free for primary pupils, young adults are much more useful helping out on the family farms and rice fields than using up scarce financial supplies for an education. Between April 2021 and April 2022 FAMinternational provided the finance to sponsor 30 vulnerable children through school. As well as paying for school fees, this includes paying for school uniform and equipment.

In terms of adult training, 1 received training on hair dressing, others received ongoing training in industrial sewing.

Activities Which Achieved Purpose 3

Pregnant Ladies Project

This year we continued to support the 21 families on our pregnant ladies' project, Despite Madagascar being one of the poorest countries in the world (96% living in abject poverty off less than \$3/ day) there is no free health care, as a consequence; individuals cannot afford to visit hospitals and there is a high mortality rate both in childbirth and from fairly simple curable ailments, such as ~~appendicitis~~ or poorly attended wounds.

The 21 pregnant ladies and children continue to receive excellent health care at the local maternity clinic, run by the German charity "Mobile Hilfe Madagaskar."

The children in the families we support continue to grow and thrive and are happy in their placements in community.

Activities which achieved purpose 4

National Governmental Support and Localised Development

Madagascar is one of the few countries in the world that still does not have a formal family-based care system in place to support vulnerable children. Currently, if children have to be removed from their families or are orphaned, the only place they can be placed by a judge is in an institution. Consequently, there are over 10 000 children in institutional care in Madagascar's capital city alone; all placed in overcrowded bursting orphanages. FAMinternational believes that the solution to this crisis can only occur through national change, but there is no reason why national change cannot come; by working with and supporting the Malagasy government we believe that tens of thousands of young lives can be changed for the better. With respect to this, FAMinternational, building on the work done in previous years, has been a key part in social change in the following ways:

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1. Faminternational was part of the committee which created and approved the "Decret de Application" for foster care (application of the law specific to foster care). We are still waiting for the Decret to be approved and signed off by the government.
2. Faminternational employed a specialist consultant to write a National Foster Care Handbook, in partnership with the government. This involved hosting workshops for the government and others to encourage contribution and engagement with the creation of these guidelines. This has been completed and is waiting for final approval from our partners and will be published once the Decret has been signed off and made official.
3. Our National Director, Lanto Robivelo, continued his work with GTSM, organising many events to raise the profile of social workers in the country.
4. Lanto continued his work as a member of the board of directors for IFCO (international foster care organisation). In this role, he is involved in spear-heading the promotion of foster care internationally, and particularly on the African continent.

Future Vision**Community Resources, Family Preservation, Empowerment, Livelihoods**

Faminternational is keen to accept even more families onto our preservation program, we know that every family that is supported and gains a means of supporting themselves, prevents at least one more child being abandoned to an institution, and we would like to raise more funds to increase this crucial lifeline. The contraction of the economy as a result of the dramatic decrease in tourism due to Covid 19, has meant there are now twice as many families living on the street, twice as much domestic abuse, and many more children abandoned to overcrowded centres.

For the families already on our program, we hope to see 80% reach financial independence by the end of next year, thanks to the hard work of our social workers and community workers, empowering them with the skills, and keys necessary to escape a life on the streets. However, due to the severe economic contraction due to covid pandemic, jobs are scarcer than they were before, so it may be necessary to support families for longer than we had planned.

Faminternational plans to partner with key organisations aimed at increasing the skills and small business start-up opportunities for families on our programs.

National Governmental Support and Localised Development, Training, awareness raising, policy and good practice.

Madagascar's childcare system is in desperate need of reform, to bring it more in line with the UN Guidelines on Alternative Care, which Madagascar signed and agreed to in 2019. We aim to support all national efforts to establish these guidelines in Madagascar's policies and practices.

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Faminternational is planning to raise awareness of the UN Guidelines on Alternative Care, by hosting workshops for key stakeholders working in the provision of child protection and alternative care

Faminternational is in discussion with donors and members of the ministry of justice, with a view to starting a “gate-keeping” service to work alongside the family court judges. This will involve social workers who work alongside these judges to assist them in visiting families and carrying out more thorough family assessments, with a likely result of reducing the number of children ending up in already overcrowded orphanages. This gate-keeping service will also refer families to our family preservation project as well as find possible kinship carers: finding ways to keep children out of un-necessary care and fulfilling one key component of the UN Guidelines on Alternative Care: the Necessity Principle.

The UN Guidelines advise against the use of institutional care, particularly for under 3’s. Once the foster care decret has been signed off, we are planning to start a “life care plan project” for under 3’s in centres. This will involve assisting centres to create life care plans for their under 3’s with the aim of children being placed in families (either safe reintegration or foster care).

Faminternational plans to partner with the government in a media campaign to promote the establishment of foster care in conjunction with the publication of the first edition of the Foster Care Handbook. Faminternational also plans to host further foster care workshops for central government, with a view to this training then filtering down to district level later on in the year. It is our plan to create a "Centre of Excellence" that will provide resources and training county-wide, for NGO's and government bodies who want to start their own foster care program. We are currently in talks with the two universities of social work to include foster care training module on their university degree courses.

Faminternational plans to continue to train our own team and newly recruited social workers in foster care, ready for them to support and train our future foster carers. This would be in subjects such as: trauma informed therapy, managing challenging behaviour, attachment disorders etc.

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COMMENCEMENT OF OUR PILOT FOSTER CARE PROJECT (still waiting for final signing off of decret at governmental level).

Once the "decret d'application" (law) for foster has received final approval, and the foster care handbook has been finalised, Faminternational would like to start the capital city's first pilot foster care project, in line with the new decret and handbook. We would like to train 25 foster carers and raise support for the placement of 25+ children, recruit 2 extra social workers who will work with the foster carers, the children and the birth families. The steps involved in this would be:

- 1 . Community awareness raising
2. Re-establishing the approval committee
3. Recruitment, assessment and training of foster carers
4. Registration of foster carers
5. Placement of children
6. Support of birth families and assistance with contact
7. Creating Placement Plans for children
8. Ongoing assessment and training of foster carers.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF FAMINTERNATIONAL
For the year ended 5th April 2022

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 5TH April 2022 which are set out on pages 7 to 14.

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 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all 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 material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect: -

- The accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the charities Act; or
- The accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- The accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a "true and fair" view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

Signed 

..... 31-1-2023

Sue Wintle FMAAT
27 Bascott Road
Bournemouth
Dorset
BH11 8RJ

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (including income and expenditure account)
For the year ended 5th April 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
INCOME					
Donations and legacies	2	16253	13030	29,332	31952
Income from charitable activities	2		21317	21317	15000
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		16253	34347	50599	53002
EXPENDITURE					
Expenditure on Charitable activities :-					
Charitable Activities	3/4/5	14718	41281	55999	53494
Raising Funds					
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		14718	41281	55999	53494
NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE) AND NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR		1535	(6934)	(5399)	(492)
Transfer					
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		19908	6991	26899	27391
Total funds carried forward	7/8	21443	57	21500	26899

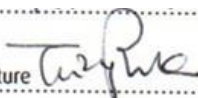
The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year
All income and expenditure derives from continuing activities.

BALANCE SHEET
For the year ended 5th April 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	6		
Cash at Bank		21500	26,899
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Total current assets		21500	26899
CREDITORS:			
Amounts falling due within one year			
		<hr/>	<hr/>
NET ASSETS		21500	26899
		<hr/>	<hr/>
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY:			
Unrestricted funds	7/8	21443	19908
Restricted funds	7/8	57	6991
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Total charity funds		21500	26899
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Accounts Approved by the Trustees on 29/11/2022

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

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Signature 
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Mrs Trinity Park (Treasurer)

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities published on 16/7/14, the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015). Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

b Income recognition policies

Items of income are recognised and included in the accounts when all of the following Criteria are met: -

- The charity has entitlement to the funds
- Any performance conditions attaching to the item(s) of income have been met or are fully within the control of the charity
- There is sufficient certainty that receipt of the income is considered probable
- The amount can be measured reliably
- Income received in advance for a trip or other activity is deferred until the criteria for income recognition are met

c Donated services and facilities

Donated services and facilities are recognised in income when the charity has control over the item, any conditions associated with the donated item have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use by the charity of the item is probable and that economic benefit can be measured reliably. On receipt, donated services and facilities are recognised on the basis of the value of the gift to the charity which is the amount the charity would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market, a corresponding amount is then recognised in expenditure in the period of receipt.

d Fund accounting

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

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund.

**Accounting Policies
For the year ended 5th April 2022**

e Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified under the following activity headings:-

- Costs of raising funds comprise the fundraising costs undertaken
- Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of trips undertaken to further the purposes of the charity including their associated support costs.

f Allocation of support costs

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include back office costs, finance, payroll and governance costs which support the charity's programmes of activities. These costs have been divided between the costs of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities.

g Debtors

Debtors are recognised at their settlement amount due. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

h Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term investments with a maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

2. LEGAL STATUS

The charity is a charitable incorporated organisation.

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2. VOLUNTARY INCOME

	2022 £	2021 £
Donations and gifts – General Income	16252	19037
Donations and gifts – Restricted Income	34347	18965
Income from Charitable activities		15000
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	50599	53002
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3. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2022 £	Total 2021 £
Direct costs of projects	52281	50014
Support costs	3718	3480
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	55999	53,494
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1. ANALYSIS OF GOVERNANCE AND SUPPORT COSTS

Bank Charges	105
Memberships, speaking engagements	361
Madagascar Inspection Trip	1842
Internet, Web page, UK General office costs.	1409
Total Support Costs	3718

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5 TRUSTEE REMUNERATION

The trustees did not receive any emoluments or reimbursed expenses during the year.

6. DEBTORS

	2022 £	2021 £
Prepaid Expenses	0	0
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7. MOVEMENTS ON FUNDS

	Balance 06.04.2021 £	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance 05.04.2022 £
(a) Unrestricted funds:					
General reserve	19908	16252	14717		21443
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	19908	16252	14717		21443
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(b) Restricted funds:					
Madagascar Family Preservation	6784	21317	28217		(116)
Heart: Madagascar Iris Children	50	13030	12925		155
Covid 19 Response	157	0	139		18
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	6991	34347	41281		57
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Madagascar Family Preservation

A fund specifically for preventing child abandonment and ensuring children stay in their families where ever possible..

Heart Madagascar: Iris Children

A fund for supporting children from the Iris Centre which was closed down in 2020.

Covid 19 Response

This was the last part of the Covid response fund set up the year previous in 2020

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the year ended 5th April 2022**8. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS**

	Restricted Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total £
Cash at Bank	57	21443	21500
Debtors			
	<u>57</u>	<u>21443</u>	<u>21500</u>