

SUPPORTING UGANDAN EDUCATION

England & Wales · Charity number 1178287

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2018-05-08

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: For the public benefit to promote the education of school students in Nebbi Diocese, Uganda in such ways as the charity trustees think fit, including by:(1) Awarding to such secondary school students scholarships, maintenance allowances or grants tenable at any secondary school (2) Providing capital grants for educational facilitiesFor the public benefit the relief and assistance of people in need in Nebbi Diocese, Uganda, who are the victims of war or natural disaster, trouble, or catastrophe in particular by the supply of food, clothing and other necessities.

Activities: Operating in Nebbi Catholic Diocese, Uganda, we pay secondary school fees and maintenance allowance for disadvantaged students attending Secondary Schools in the diocese. We also fund capital works for primary and secondary schools including security fences and solar lighting. In times of crisis, we provide relief and assistance to people in need including food, clothing and other necessities.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Other Finance
- **What:** Education/training, Overseas Aid/famine Relief
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Uganda

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£26,443	£30,244	-	-
2023-12-31	£39,208	£39,214	-	-
2022-12-31	£23,026	£22,005	-	-
2021-12-31	£21,700	£19,116	-	-
2020-12-31	£19,274	£19,262	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
CLAIRE EMMA READ		2018-03-23
Fr CHARLES OHURO		2017-04-19
Fr DENIS OCANDA		2017-04-19
John Joseph Willson		2021-07-27
LINDSAY JOHN READ		2013-06-03

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TRUSTEE'S ANNUAL REPORT 01/01/2024 – 31/12/2024

There were no changes to the constitution or to trustee details in 2024.

The year began with schools normal, but the food situation was still poor and school fees had risen again to 27,000,000 UGX for 60 students per term, which, given the exchange rate, came to about £5,800. We sent a total of £17360 for the three terms. With the school fees, we sent about £2000 of aid in January, May and August. We also sent aid in March, April, June, November and December, giving a total of £12764.

School fees and aid were all we were able to do in 2024. We found no source of income for the project for primary school classrooms.

Regular standing order donations held up with some stopping and some increasing and we continue to use these, along with the Gift Aid, for school fees for secondary students. These donations are not sufficient to cover the school fee costs, which require additional contributions from general donations.

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Accounts

Period	01/01/2024	To	31/12/2024
<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	
Fee Sponsorship	£10,515.00	School Fees	17,360.00
		Humanitarian Aid	12,764.00
Humanitarian Aid – Gift Aided	£6,430.00	Bank Charges	£120.39
Humanitarian Aid – Not Gift Aid	£3,780.00	Expenses	£0.00
Humanitarian Aid – St.Gregory's	£1,054.84		
Humanitarian Aid – Cardnet	£20.00		
Gift Aid Payment – HA	£1,607.50		
Gift Aid Payment – School Fees	3,035.22		
Gift Aid Interest			
Other Donations			
Total Income	£26,442.56	Total Expenditure	£30,244.39
Brought forward from 2023	£7,460.08		
Subtotal	£33,902.64		
<u>Balance =</u>	<u>£3,658.25</u>		

Notes

CAF: Donation via Charities Aid Foundation
HA: Humanitarian Aid

Not all 2024 gift aid was claimed in 2024

2023 GA Paid in 2024	£1,867.50
2024 GA Paid in 2025	£1,157.50
Difference	£710.00

Supporting Ugandan Education

Independent Examiner's Report

Independent examiner's Report to the Trustees of Supporting Ugandan Education

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Supporting Ugandan Education (SUE) Charity number 1178287 for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of the report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 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 material 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 Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
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.

Signed:



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There were no changes to the constitution or to trustee details in 2023.

The year began with schools normal, but the food situation was still poor and school fees had risen again. For 60 students, term fees were UGX 25,000,000. which, given the exchange rate, came to about than £5,500. We sent a total of £16,572 for the three terms. With the school fees, we sent more than £1000 of aid in January, May and August. We also sent aid in Feb, March, July and November giving a total of £13,455.

The project for 2023 was for 150 single person school desks for St. Joseph the Worker Secondary School, Panyango, at a cost of about £60 each, about £9000 in total. We were able to fund the desks thanks to a donation of £10,273 from The Economist Charitable Trust. We sent £9,000 which was enough thanks to a high exchange rate, even though the cost of the desks had risen from the original quote. The desks were duly delivered in time to be used for state examinations, saving the school the transport costs that would be required if students had to travel to other exam centres.

The Ugandan trustees have set a goal to fund a project for years 2024-2026 to build primary school classrooms. For 2024, it is hoped a 3 classroom block with an annex office can be funded. The locals are doing the construction, but they need manufactured items at a total cost of about £16,000. That will be a struggle because the need for humanitarian aid seems likely to continue along with school fee grants.

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Fee Sponsorship	£9,335.00	School Fees	£16,572.00
		Humanitarian Aid	£13,455.00
Humanitarian Aid – Gift Aided	£10,460.00	School Desks	£9,000.00
Humanitarian Aid – Not Gift Aid	£3,350.00	Bank Charges	£186.96
Humanitarian Aid – St.Gregory's	£889.41	Expenses	£0.00
Humanitarian Aid – Cardnet	£100.00		
Cardnet donations	£0.14		
Economist Charitable Trust	£10,593.00		
Gift Aid Payment – HA	£2,002.50		
Gift Aid Payment – Fees	£2,477.50		
Gift Aid Interest	£0.29		
Other Donations			
Total Income	£39,207.84	Total Expenditure	£39,213.96
Brought forward from 2022	£7,466.20		
Subtotal	£46,674.04		
<u>Balance =</u>	<u>£7,460.08</u>		

Notes

Cardnet: Donations via Cardnet Lloyds bank
CAF: Donation via Charities Aid Foundation
HA: Humanitarian Aid

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TRUSTEE'S ANNUAL REPORT 01/01/2022 – 31/12/2022

The year began with schools normal and the food situation still poor. We had sent £2000 aid with the January school fees grant in December 2021, so that the aid would arrive before Christmas. We did that this year with the school fees in April and August and also separately in January. We paid fees for about 70 students.

The solar power project for St. Thomas Aquinas secondary school, Akanyo, could not be done in 2021 because of lockdowns and school closures. The fundraising had been successful, so in March, we offered to send the grant for the solar power project. It was a year since the quote was given, so we asked if it would be enough. The new quote was higher, but we had enough and sent it. Transport and supply chain challenges delayed implementation of the works and caused a small shortfall in our grant. We sent a top up with the April school fees. Work did not start until September and finished in October. The total grant that we sent was £8400.

Having received the funds for the Solar energy project, our trustees in Uganda told us that the next project would be school desks for St. Joseph the Worker school, Panyango. They obtained a quote for 150 single person desks at about £60 each. The school already had some funds, so the request was for about £8000. It is government regulation that exams be taken in single person desks, for obvious reasons. When a school does not have these, it has to pay for the candidates to travel to a another school to do the national examinations. So the desks will provide a better work environment in the classroom and save the school significant costs. We did not start an appeal for this in 2022.

We go into 2023 expecting the need for humanitarian aid to continue. There were two successive crop failures, the first due to lack of rain and the second due to floods. Food was scarce and prices rose locally and because of the international issues affecting trade. People were again having to survive on one inadequate meal per day. There will be a continuing need for school fee grants, humanitarian aid and grants for capital works projects for schools for the long term benefit of the local youth and their families.

Regular standing order donations held up with some stopping and some increasing and we continue to use these, along with the Gift Aid, for school fees for secondary students.

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Period	01/01/2022	To	31/12/2022
<u>Income</u>			<u>Expenditure</u>
Fee Sponsorship	£9,085.00	School Fees	£7,545.00
		Humanitarian Aid	£6,000.00
Humanitarian Aid – FPI	£5,600.00	Akanyo – Solar	£8,400.00
		Bank Charges	£60.00
Humanitarian Aid – CAF	£2,000.00	Expenses	£0.00
Paypal donations	£425.01		
Akanyo Solar – FPI	£1,800.00		
Gift Aid Payment – AK	£200.00		
Gift Aid Payment – HA	£1,607.50		
Gift Aid Payment – Fees	£2,178.75		
Gift Aid Interest	£0.23		
Other Donations	£130.00		
Total Income	£23,026.49	Total Expenditure	£22,005.00
Brought forward from 2020	£6,444.71		
Subtotal	£29,471.20		
<u>Balance =</u>	<u>£7,466.20</u>		

Notes

The January school fees were sent during last financial year.

FPI: Online transfer direct to the charity bank account by regular donors

CAF: Donation via Charities Aid Foundation

HA: Humanitarian Aid

AK: Akanyo Solar Power Project

Not all 2022 gift aid has been claimed yet.

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The year began with more classes returning to school and the food situation better. We asked Fr. Charles and Fr. Denis whether it would be possible to do the project requested last year, solar lighting for St. Thomas Aquinas secondary school, Akanyo. They thought it could go ahead, so we asked how they think our resources should be divided between school fees, humanitarian aid and the solar project. For the April term, we sent school fees for 70 students and £1000 of aid.

In May, we paused the humanitarian aid appeal and embarked on fundraising for the solar project by an appeal at St. Gregory's parish, Cheltenham, an appeal to our regular standing order donors and an appeal to friends and family through our personal Facebook accounts. To accept donations we set up a campaign on Virgin Money Giving using our account.

The appeal had raised over £3500 of a target of £5000, when schools were closed again in June due to covid 19. Food shortages arose again and we suspended the solar appeal and renewed the appeal for humanitarian aid donations. We sent a tranche of aid in August, but there continued to be shortages. Home working for students began in September with materials provided by the schools for a fee. We used our school fee donations to help those who could not afford the fee. Donations continued to come in for aid and we sent another grant with the school fees in September.

In November, we also appealed again to the charity Farmers Overseas Action Group, which operates in Uganda and had some unrestricted funds, who gave us £500. In December, we sent school fees in anticipation of schools re-opening in January and another grant of aid. In total, we granted aid of £8928 up to Christmas, helping over 350 people, including about 150 children, mainly with food and some clothing and kitchen wares. The total for school fees was £10098.50.

In November, Virgin Money Giving closed and we registered the charity with Paypal Giving Fund to continue to collect donations online.

We go into 2022 expecting the need for humanitarian aid to continue and hoping the schools stay open and the solar project is completed. So there will be a continuing need for school fee grants and appeals for aid or for capital works for schools.

Regular standing order donations held up with some stopping and some increasing and we continue to use these, along with the Gift Aid, for school fees for secondary students.

Supporting Ugandan Education – 2021

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Period	01/01/2021	To	31/12/2021
<u>Income</u>			<u>Expenditure</u>
Fee Sponsorship	£8,695.00	School Fees	£10,098.50
Humanitarian Aid - VMG	£260.00	Humanitarian Aid	£8,928.00
Humanitarian Aid – StG	£70.00	Bank Charges	£90.00
Humanitarian Aid – FPI	£4,810.00	Expenses	£0.00
Humanitarian Aid – FOAG	£500.00		
Humanitarian Aid – CAF	£1,115.00		
Akanyo Solar – VMG	£1,190.00		
Akanyo Solar – STG	£2,315.26		
Akanyo Solar – FPI	£150.00		
Gift Aid Payment – VMG HA	£52.50		
Gift Aid Payment – VMG AK	£5.00		
Gift Aid Payment – HA	£1,257.60		
Gift Aid Payment – Fees	£1,280.04		
Other Donations			
Total Income	£21,700.40	Total Expenditure	£19,116.50
Brought forward from 2020	£3,860.81		
Subtotal	£25,561.21		
<u>Balance =</u>	<u>£6,444.71</u>		

VMG: Virgin Money Giving

StG: St. Gregory the Great Parish Project Cheltenham

FPI: Online transfer direct to the charity bank account by regular donors

FOAG: Farmers Overseas Action Group. Charity 1164747

CAF: Donation via Charities Aid Foundation

HA: Humanitarian Aid

AK: Akanyo Solar Power Project

Some school fee donations were used for humanitarian aid, with donors permission, when schools were closed.

Not all 2021 gift aid has been claimed yet.

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TRUSTEE'S ANNUAL REPORT 01/01/2020 – 31/12/2020

This year the proposed project was solar lighting for St. Thomas Aquinas secondary school, Akanyo, but covid intervened. Here, fundraising events could not be held and in Uganda, schools were closed before January term ended. In Nebbi diocese, the rains washed away crops and some houses, food shortages developed and prices rose. It was particularly difficult for people in the villages. The trustees changed the purpose of the charity to include giving humanitarian aid by adding the following sentence.

For the public benefit the relief of and assistance to people in need in Nebbi Diocese, Uganda, who are the victims of war or natural disaster, trouble, or catastrophe in particular by the supply of food, clothing and other necessities.

In August, we embarked on fundraising by an appeal at St. Gregory's parish, Cheltenham, an appeal to our regular standing order donors and an appeal to friends and family through our personal Facebook accounts. To accept donations we set up a campaign on Virgin Money Giving using our account.

We raised £2000 and sent it in August, but there continued to be shortages. We asked permission of the regular donors, whose donations are for school fees, to use those donations for aid to the people while the schools were closed. Many responded, so more aid was given to the people. But the shortages continued. We appealed again and also appealed to a charity which operates in Uganda and had some unrestricted funds, Farmers Overseas Action Group, who gave us £1000. Two school years returned in September, so some school fee grants were made and there was some leftover for aid. Donations continued to come in and we sent two more grants. In total, we granted aid of £12357 up to Christmas.

We go into 2021 expecting the need for humanitarian aid to continue and possibly the other school years will return also. So there will be a continuing need for school fee grants and appeals for aid or for capital works for schools.

Regular standing order donations held up and we continue to use these, along with the Gift Aid, for school fees for secondary students. We helped 32 students in the two years that returned for September term. The fees were much higher than average because of exam fees and covid arrangements.

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Period 01/01/2020 To 31/12/2020

Income

Fee Sponsorship	£8,730.00
HMRC Gift Aid Payment – Fees	£1,337.50
Humanitarian Aid - VMG	£3,164.52
Humanitarian Aid – StG	£520.00
Humanitarian Aid – FPI	£2,985.00
Humanitarian Aid – FOAG	£1,000.00
HMRC Gift Aid Payment – HA	£642.10
Gift Aid Payment – VMG	£669.25
Project Gift Aid 2019 – VMG	£151.25
Other Donations	£75.00

Total Income £19,274.62

Br t fwd fm 2019 £3,848.19

Subtotal £23,122.81

Balance = **£3,860.81**

Expenditure

School Fees	£6,753.00
Humanitarian Aid	£12,357.00
Bank Charges	£152.00
Expenses	£0.00
Other	£0.00

Total Expenditure £19,262.00

VMG: Virgin Money Giving

StG: St. Gregory the Great Parish Project Cheltenham

FPI: Online transfer direct to the charity bank account

FOAG: Farmers Overseas Action Group. Charity 1164747

HA: Humanitarian Aid

Some school fee donations were used for humanitarian aid, with donors permission, when schools were closed.

Not all 2020 gift aid has been claimed yet.