

ACTIVE YOUTH ZONE

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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st OF December 2020

Active Youth Zone

Charity information

Registered charity name

Active Youth Zone

Charity number

1179999

Registered Address

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Trustees

Olagoke Moses Oladosu

Sherita Mandogwe

Damiam Pickett Junior

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About Us

Active Youth Zone is a charity based in Manchester, utilising experts to help provide volunteering work and other opportunities for young people. We provide our work and opportunities for youth across the whole UK, especially those from disadvantaged background to ensure they have the skills needed to be valued members of their community. We treat everyone differently in order to treat them equally, respecting the acts of Equality, diversity and Inclusion.

We recognise, value and take account of people's different backgrounds, knowledge, skills, and experiences, and encourage and use those differences to create a productive and effective educational community and workforce among our Youth and young ones.

Trustees

The following persons served as trustees since the formation of the charity and during these periods:

Olagoke Moses Oladosu

Sherita Mandongwe

Damiam Pickett Junior

Lauren Bond

Omowumi Oladosu

What We Believe

Inclusion is about people being fully included, to make people feel valued and respected irrespective of ethnicity, gender, disability, medical or other need, culture, age, religion, and sexual orientation. It is about giving equal access and opportunities, breaking down barriers and getting rid of discrimination and intolerance. We work with Youth and young ones, keeping their minds busy and getting them to stay away from crime.

Our activities are targeted at improving the lives of our members and volunteers. We engage them in physical and mental activities ranging from Trainings, workshops to field and indoor sporting activities. Our volunteers work as a team to transform lives. We drive innovation and change wherever it will benefit our youth and young ones.

Our Core Values

1. **Partnership and teamwork:** We work together in respect and collaborative partnership with volunteers, Families, friends, and professionals.
2. **Support:** Our volunteers have great passion in working with the youth and young ones in the community.
3. **Empowerment:** Every single member of our trustee and volunteers are professional in their various fields and their experiences and skill sets has encouraged our young ones to develop themselves. We also encourage those seeking support to participate in working with us to solve the challenges they face.
4. **Innovation:** We provide a platform to generate and implement innovative solutions that address the needs of our community.
5. **Advocacy and Education:** We foster dialogue to educate ourselves and the public about youthful exhibition and peers' pressure, and to develop and share resources while promoting the values we stand for.

Public Benefit

When planning activities for our young ones, The Trustees are mindful of the Charity Commissions guidelines on Public Benefit and believe that the Charity has complied with the duty in section 17 (5) of the Charities Act 2011. Safeguarding policy is in place and risks assessments is always carried out appropriately.

What we achieved in 2019/2020

- **`Leaders of Tomorrow`** Youth Empowerment/Educational Project, which was sponsored by the National Lottery Community Fund. Guest professional Speakers and mentors were invited to Discuss and enlighten our young ones on Topical discussions surrounding Healthy living, Communication Skills, working in a team It Literacy, Negotiation Skills, Presentation Skills, Confidence and Resilience, The project started in the month of December 2019 with 24 youth and young ones in attendance. The project was initially intended to be a 2 weekly(fortnightly), planned to be run over a six calendar months period, although We struggled a bit with the coordination after the sixth successful classroom session. We have had to make use of online platforms which includes Zoom, Skype meetings and video calls to engage our young stars since the end of March 2020 when the Covid-19 lockdowns took place. Thankfully concluded the project in the month of August 2020 with outstanding feedbacks from participants and their parents.
- Active Youth Zone provided Food support for our young individuals and their families during this period of pandemic, with the grant received from Forever Manchester. We see food as a staple and essential means for good well-being and mental health. We saw that many young people are in dire need of nutritional need, so we thought extra food support will be great, mainly because many of our youth and young people are used to family meals traditions as a way to keep connected the main family group. The food items and provisions were distributed among the residents of Moston, Blackley, Harpurhey, Middleton and Crumpsall in the North of Manchester.
- Over the last Seven months (Since March 2020 till date), We have provided a listening and talk supports with those reaching out to our Charity, explaining their individual and family needs, worries and in many cases feelings of depression and mental instability due to pressure of dealing with the effects of Covid-19.

Our Strategic Goals

In the coming year, we aim to achieve 3 key strategic goals which include.

- To create a more cordial relationship between our young ones (the new generation) and the elderly (the old school) in our community. This dream brings about smoother relationship between these two special generations and it will go a long way in boosting knowledge and historical experience.
- To improve the availability and sharing of information to parents and grandparents.
- To work in partnership with other organisations, providing resources and opportunities for our young people and young adults.

Reserves policy

The trustees take a risk-based approach to identify the appropriate level of reserves that are required to be held that will give our partners and stakeholders confidence that the organisation is financially sound and at the same time satisfactorily carry out the planned activities and to fulfil all contractual, statutory and legal obligations. The level of required level of reserve is set annually. In October 2019, the trustees resolved that the charity would maintain a minimum of £5,000 in unrestricted reserves.

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Statement of financial activities (incorporating income & expenditure account)

Year ended 31st of December 2020

	1st of January 2020	31 st of December 2020
Income:		
• Balance carried forward from previous accounting year	-	4060.25
• Income from other charity activities:		
• GMCVO Relief Fund for Covid 19	3,000	-
• Forever Manchester Covid-19 aid grant	1,000	-
• Groundwork UK Covid-19 Grant	500	-
• Neighbourly Fund	400	-
Total income	<u>4,900</u>	<u>4060.25</u>
Total income for the Year 2020		£8,960.25

Expenditure:

• Forever Manchester Food relief fare share project	1000	
• GMCVO Covid 19 relief food items provision for our young ones and their households	(3000)	-
• Public Liability Insurance at £44.51/month	(534.12)	-
• Microsoft subscription for ease virtual communication with members and volunteers at £14.88/month	178.56)	-

- Purchase of Communication equipment and materials for volunteers for easy access to our young ones and their family during covid

797.55

Total expenditure

(5,510.23)

Total Funds carried forward as at 31 Dec 2020

3,450.02

Total Funds brought forward/Bank account balance as at 31st of December 2020

(£3,450.02)

The trustees are satisfied that the charity is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit/independent examination under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

The trustees of the charity have not required the charity to obtain an independent examination in accordance with section 144(2) of the Act.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Charity Act 2011 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

All invoices and receipts are readily available on request.

Olagoke Moses Oladosu

Member of Trustees

Approved by the board of trustees on 06 October 2021