

Trustee Report for Roodel Trust Foundation

Period: 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023

Introduction

The Trustees of Roodel Trust Foundation present their annual report and the financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2023. This report details the activities undertaken, the challenges faced, and the overall economic status of the charity during the specified period. The past year has been particularly challenging due to the lack of financial resources, severely impacting our ability to achieve our primary objectives.

Overview of Activities and Operations

From 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023, Roodel Trust Foundation faced significant financial constraints. Despite extensive efforts to secure funding, including applications to various grants and funding bodies, all our applications were unfortunately turned down. This left the charity needing more financial support to carry out its planned activities.

Volunteer Contributions

Considering the financial difficulties, the charity's operations were sustained entirely through the efforts of volunteers. These dedicated individuals committed their time and resources to ensure that some level of support could still be provided to the community. Activities carried out by volunteers included:

Community Outreach: Volunteers conducted small-scale outreach programs to raise awareness about the importance of girls' education and the risks associated with dropping out.

Support and Counseling: Limited support and counselling services were provided to girls and their families to encourage continued education.

Resource Distribution: Although constrained by resources, volunteers distributed educational materials and necessities to a small number of girls to aid their schooling.

Despite these efforts, the scale and impact of our activities were significantly limited by the absence of financial backing.

Challenges Faced

The inability to secure funding presented several challenges, significantly hindering our operations and overall mission. Key challenges included:

Impact on Educational Programs

Our core objective is to reduce the number of girls dropping out of school. The lack of funding severely affected our ability to run programs designed to achieve this goal. Without the necessary resources, we could not implement interventions such as scholarships, after-school programs, and community workshops that are crucial in supporting girls' education.

Increased Risk of Early Marriages and Hawking

With our inability to provide adequate support, many girls faced an increased risk of early marriages and engaging in hawking. These practices are often seen as alternatives when educational opportunities are limited. The charity's inability to intervene effectively left many girls vulnerable to these risks, undermining our mission to safeguard their rights and futures.

Impact on Social Enterprise Support for Women

The financial constraints also affected our work in supporting women with social enterprises. Our initiatives to empower women through entrepreneurial training and resources were significantly scaled back. This had a pronounced impact on women in remote areas, as we were unable to reach these communities due to lack of funds. The absence of support hindered the economic empowerment of women, further entrenching cycles of poverty.

Climate Change Mitigation Efforts

Our efforts to mitigate climate change by providing solar cookers to communities were also severely impacted. These solar cookers are intended to reduce the need for cutting down firewood, thereby helping to preserve forests and reduce carbon emissions. However, due to the financial shortfall, this initiative could not be effectively implemented. As a

result, communities continued to rely on traditional wood-burning methods, exacerbating environmental degradation.

Advocacy and Awareness Efforts

Financial constraints also limited our advocacy work. Campaigns to raise awareness about the importance of girls' education and to fight for their rights were significantly scaled down. This lack of visibility and advocacy further exacerbated the challenges faced by the girls we aim to support.

Psychological and Social Impact

The psychological and social impact on the girls and their families was also significant. Without adequate support and the assurance of continued education, many girls faced uncertainty and diminished aspirations, affecting their mental and emotional well-being.

Financial Overview

Due to the rejection of all funding applications, the charity operated with no significant financial income during the reporting period. This financial scarcity was the primary reason behind the limited scale of activities and the inability to launch new initiatives. The trustees have taken steps to review our funding strategies and are exploring new avenues to secure financial support in the future.

Volunteer Efforts and Community Support

The trustees would like to extend their deepest gratitude to all the volunteers whose dedication and hard work have been instrumental in sustaining the charity's operations during this difficult period. Their contributions, though limited by resources, have been crucial in maintaining a presence in the community and providing some level of support to the girls in need.

Future Directions and Goals

Looking ahead, securing sustainable funding is critical to the continuation and expansion of our work. The trustees are committed to:

Revamping Funding Strategies: Exploring new funding opportunities, including partnerships with local businesses, crowdfunding, and engaging with international donors.

Strengthening Volunteer Programs: Enhancing our volunteer programs to maximize their impact, even with limited resources.

Increasing Community Engagement: Building stronger relationships with community leaders and stakeholders to foster greater support and collaboration.

Advocacy and Awareness: Amplifying our advocacy efforts to raise awareness about the importance of girls' education and the risks of school dropouts, early marriages, and stalking.

Expanding Social Enterprise Support: Renewing efforts to support women with social enterprise initiatives, particularly in remote areas.

Resuming Climate Change Mitigation Projects: Reinvigorating our efforts to distribute solar cookers to reduce deforestation and promote sustainable practices.

Conclusion

The Trustees express deep concern over the ongoing financial challenges and their impact on the charity's ability to fulfil its mission. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the volunteers whose unwavering dedication has kept the spirit of our work alive, despite the overwhelming difficulties.

We remain committed to our mission and will continue to explore all possible avenues to secure the necessary support to carry out our vital work. The fight for the right to education for every girl, the empowerment of women through social enterprises, and the mitigation of climate change are far from over, and with renewed efforts and support, we can make a significant difference.

Signed:

Ifeoma Faith Meniru

Founder/CEO

Isaac Chimwemwe Chisi

Chair of Trustees

20/05/2024



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

MODEL TRUST FOUNDATION

No (if any)
1191309

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	31/3/2022	To	31/3/2023
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donors	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Grants	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Total receipts	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00

A3 Payments

Website	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Travelling	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Gmail	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00

Phone	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Stationery	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Consultancy Services	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Rent	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Broadband	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Printer	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Sub total	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	
	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	
Sub total	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00

Total payments	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
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Net of receipts/(payments)	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
A5 Transfers between funds	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
A6 Cash funds last year end	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Cash funds this year end	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
		£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
		£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
	Total cash funds	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
	Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
		£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
		£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
		£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
		£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
		£0.00	£0.00	£0.00

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			£0.00	£0.00
			£0.00	£0.00
			£0.00	£0.00
			£0.00	£0.00
			£0.00	£0.00

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			£0.00	£0.00
			£0.00	£0.00
			£0.00	£0.00
			£0.00	£0.00
			£0.00	£0.00
			£0.00	£0.00
			£0.00	£0.00
			£0.00	£0.00

B5 Liabilities

		£0.00	£0.00
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Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		£0.00	
		£0.00	
		£0.00	
		£0.00	
		£0.00	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Isaac Chimwemwe Chisi	19/5/2024
	Ifeoma Faith Meniru	19/5/2024

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