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RISING HOPE FOUNDATION CAMEROON



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FOREWORD

As we reflect on the journey of Rising Hope Foundation Cameroon (RHFC) throughout 2025, we are proud to share a year marked by resilience, innovation, and deepened impact. Building on the momentum of 2024—where we expanded our international partnerships and launched transformative initiatives like the Innovation and Digital Education Hub—this year has been a testament to our unwavering commitment to youth empowerment and community development.



In 2025, The Rising Hope Foundation Cameroon took bold strides in addressing youth unemployment and economic exclusion through the Youth Employability Project, equipping 62 young people in Yaoundé with practical vocational skills and essential soft skills. From baking and bead making to bag crafting, these trades were chosen for their accessibility and potential to generate income, enabling participants to launch small-scale businesses and contribute meaningfully to their communities. The final virtual session, which connected youth across four African nations, further enriched this experience by fostering cross-border learning and enhancing job-readiness.

Our efforts extended beyond vocational training. Through strategic collaborations—such as with CFP The Office & Co, where we funded scholarships and exam fees—we continued to prioritise access to education for the underprivileged. The nomination of our Trustee Chair, Mrs. Charlene

Kwemo Yengue, as Vice Chair of the QECT Cameroon Country Chapter, opened new avenues for impactful projects, including hands-on training with recyclable materials and the establishment of an entrepreneurship hub to support young innovators.

While some initiatives, like the e-commerce platform in partnership with DNA, faced delays due to funding constraints, our commitment remains steadfast. The Future Porth Youth Initiative continues to thrive, and we remain optimistic about the opportunities ahead.

The Rising Hope Foundation Cameroon's journey in 2025 has been one of growth, learning, and meaningful change. We are deeply grateful to the Queen's Elizabeth II Commonwealth Trust, our partners, supporters, and the communities we serve. Together, we are laying the foundation for a more inclusive and empowered future—one where every young person has the tools and confidence to rise.



Charlene Berthe Kwemo Yengue
Trustee Chair & Founder

1.) PROJECTS & PARTNERSHIPS

1.1) Art for Change (*Ongoing)



1.1.1.) Summary:

In continuation of its commitment to inclusive education and global youth engagement, RHFC partnered with the Pakistani NGO Discovering New Artists to support the 11th edition of its International Child Artwork Competition. This initiative welcomed participants aged 4–24 from 24 countries, spanning all educational levels—from nursery to college. RHFC's involvement was driven by its mission to promote creativity, equal learning opportunities, and cultural exchange among children from diverse backgrounds.

1.1.2) Updates of the partnership and programme:

From 2024, RHFC actively promoted the competition by reaching out to over 200 schools across the UK. Despite the enthusiasm, the timing posed a challenge: many schools had already made their efforts. To overcome these barriers, RHFC is now preparing for a face-to-face engagement strategy in the coming months, aiming to build stronger relationships with school administrators and educators. This approach is expected to foster deeper understanding and commitment to future collaborations. Social media campaigns also played a vital role in raising awareness, with targeted content helping to amplify the project's visibility among students, parents, and partner organisations.

1.2.) Youth Employability Project:



1.2.1) Summary:

The Collaborative Youth Employability Project was a joint initiative implemented by four youth-focused organisations across Africa: Rising Hope Foundation (Cameroon), Development Edge (Enugu, Nigeria), Xel Xeele Academy (Malawi), and Young African Innovators Hub -YAIH (Abuja, Nigeria). This impactful project was designed to empower young people between the ages of 18 and 35 with hands-on vocational and soft skills that enhance their employability and economic independence.

Held from 9th-12th April 2025, the project combined physical vocational training with a virtual learning session that brought all participants together, fostering not just individual growth but a sense of pan-african solidarity and shared progress.

1.2.2) Outcome of the programme:

Rising Hope Foundation Cameroon made a transformative impact through its leadership in the Youth Employability Project, empowering 62 young people in Yaoundé with practical vocational skills and essential soft skills that directly addressed the challenges of youth unemployment and

economic exclusion. By offering hands-on training in baking, bead making, and bag making—trades chosen for their accessibility and income-generating potential—the foundation enabled participants to immediately begin small-scale entrepreneurial activities. The final virtual session, which connected youth across four African countries, equipped Cameroonian participants with critical job-readiness competencies such as CV building, financial literacy, and negotiation skills, enhancing their confidence and competitiveness in the job market.

The project not only improved individual livelihoods but also fostered a sense of community and shared purpose among participants. Feedback revealed significant personal growth, with many youths expressing newfound confidence in their ability to earn independently and contribute meaningfully to their families and communities. The initiative aligned with key Sustainable Development Goals, particularly those targeting poverty reduction, quality education, and decent work. Through this project, Rising Hope Foundation Cameroon demonstrated its commitment to sustainable youth empowerment, laying the groundwork for long-term economic resilience and social inclusion in the region.

1.3.) QECT-Cameroon Country Chapter:

1.3.1) Summary:

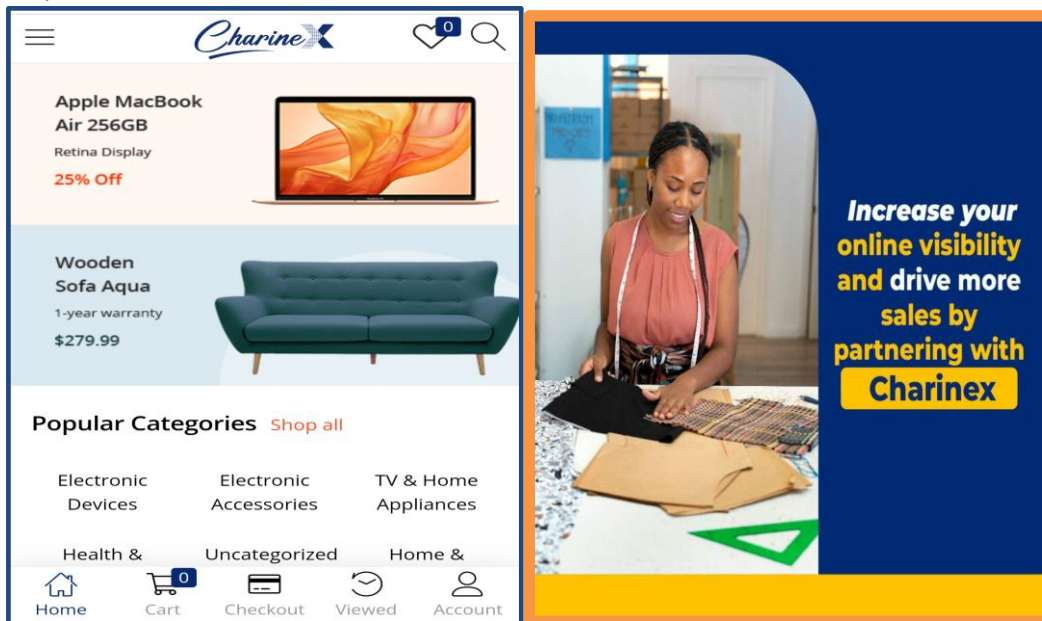
The Elizabeth II Commonwealth Trust (QECT) Network - Cameroon Country Chapter (QECT-CCC) is a youth-led initiative dedicated to empowering young changemakers, fostering sustainable development, and amplifying impactful solutions across Cameroon. As part of the global Queen's Commonwealth Trust network, the chapter supports visionary young leaders who are driving positive change in their communities through innovation, advocacy, and entrepreneurship. RHFC through its Trustee Chair is part of this initiative .

1.3.2) Plan for 2025:

The launch event of the QECT-CCC is scheduled for February 2026. This initiative aims to bring together key stakeholders to collaborate on shared or individual projects, with a particular focus on addressing climate change.

As part of this effort, RHFC plans to organise a training program centered on creating useful items from recyclable materials. This initiative will not only promote environmental sustainability but also foster entrepreneurship by empowering participants to develop eco-friendly products and business ideas. Additionally, RHFC intends to raise awareness about climate change in schools and orphanages by distributing school supplies made from recycled materials. This dual-purpose approach will both educate young people on environmental issues and provide them with essential learning tools.

1.4) CHARINEX



Charinex is the latest project which the RHFC proudly embarked on. It is a co-owned buy and sell e-commerce site vis-à-vis 'Marketplace' with products ranging from home appliances to furniture, connecting consumers and businesses on an international scale. The Minimum Viable Product (MVP) has been finalised; however, the project is currently paused due to funding constraints. Developers require additional support for data fees, which is not presently available from co-funding organisations.

1.5.) Future Port Youth



Rising Hope Foundation Cameroon is one of the official partners of this upcoming virtual International Conference which is held each year. Its aim for students and teachers to learn about innovative fields and technologies. It focuses on career opportunities, entrepreneurship, and how to use technology to improve the world around us.

2.) NEWSLETTERS

A bi-weekly format was adopted to ensure consistent publicity on the organisation's activities. So far, four newsletters have been published on the official website.

3.) MEETINGS

Weekly and monthly meetings were organised online (Google Meet). The meetings helped to address activities, track performances, and plan on upcoming projects instrumental to the organisation's growth.

4.) FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

4.1.) Fundraising

Funding applications were once again submitted, this time around leading to a £567.49 donation from **The Queen's Elizabeth Commonwealth Trust**. It was offered as part of the small grants

offered to young leaders of the QECT network. This was completed as the Youth Employability Project (mentioned above).

4.2.) Recruitment

No recruitment this year 24/25. The team members are all volunteers (3) with a contract of one to six months.

4.3.) Internet Connection and Data Management

Provision for a monthly unlimited Wi-Fi service was made, to accommodate online training programmes and facilitate other key activities. This constitutes part of monthly expenditures. Freshworks contract was discontinued as the organisation faced financial hardship.

4.4.) Infrastructure

Some maintenance work have been undertaken on the training centre building to allow more spaces and improve the facilities for the visitors and learners.

4.5) Financials


In the financial year 2024/25, the organisation's primary source of income was donations from funders, amounting to £578. This includes £25 of deferred income carried forward from the previous year (2023/24).

Additionally, the organisation received a grant of £598 from the Queen Elizabeth Charitable Trust (QECT), total received £2500 amongst which most was transferred to collaborating organisations and related expenses (total £1,903) . This grant is recognised as deferred income for the financial year 2025/26 and is designated for the Youth Employability Project, delivered in collaboration with three partner organisations in April 2025.

Expenditure Overview


The majority of expenditure from unrestricted funds during the year was directed towards promoting the organisation's activities and advertisement fees:

- Facebook advertising: £290
- Website development and Other subscriptions: £120
- Data management: £123
- Audit fees: 35

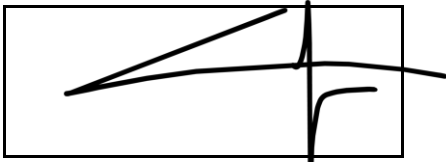
 CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES	Charity Name		No. (if any)		CC16a	
	Receipts and payments accounts					
	For the period from	01/04/2024	To	31/03/2025		

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 £
A1 Receipts					
Grant	-	2,500	-	2,500	400
Donations from funders	578	-	-	578	314
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	578	2,500	-	3,078	714
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	578	2,500	-	3,078	714
A3 Payments					
Transportation of office furniture	-	-	-	-	400
Website cost and other subscriptions (Wordpress, Namecheap, Google Drive Business Rocket)	120	-	-	120	125
Data Management website- subscription fees (freelwork)	123	-	-	123	120
Volunteers expenses	-	-	-	-	44
audit fees	35	-	-	35	-
Advertisement (Facebook)	316	-	-	316	-
	-	1,903	-	1,903	-
Sub total	593	1,903	-	2,496	689
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	593	1,903	-	2,496	689
Net of receipts/(payments)	-	597	-	597	25
A5 Transfers between funds					
A6 Cash funds last year end	25	-	-	25	-
Cash funds this year end	10	597	-	607	25

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	Cash at Bank	10	597	-	
		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
	Total cash funds	10	597	-	
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK	
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
B3 Investment assets		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	
			-	-	
			-	-	
			-	-	
			-	-	
			-	-	
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	
			-	-	
			-	-	
			-	-	
			-	-	
			-	-	
			-	-	
			-	-	
B5 Liabilities		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)	
			-	-	
			-	-	
			-	-	
			-	-	
			-	-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		Charlene Berthe Kwemo Yengue (on behalf of the Trustees)	03/11/2025

Signed (on behalf of trustees)

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Charlene Berthe Kwemeng Yengue - Trustee Chair