

CHILDREN'S AID

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Activities

Objects: TO SUPPORT AND PROMOTE THE MENTAL AND PHYSICAL WELLBEING OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY THOSE IN POOR AND DISADVANTAGED CIRCUMSTANCES, THOSE SUFFERING FROM ILLNESS, ILL-HEALTH, DISABILITY AND INCAPACITY OF ANY KIND AND THOSE WHO ARE DEPRIVED REGARDLESS OF THEIR GENDER, ABILITY OR DISABILITY, RELIGION, NATIONALITY, ETHNIC OR NATIONAL ORIGINS IN THE UK AND ELSEWHERE, EITHER DIRECTLY THROUGH THE PROVISION OF FUNDS, GRANTS, ITEMS AND SERVICES AND/OR THROUGH CHARITIES OR OTHER ORGANISATIONS WORKING TO SUPPORT INDIVIDUALS IN NEED. TO RELIEVE POVERTY, SICKNESS AND DISTRESS AMONGST CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE OVERSEAS WHO ARE DISPLACED OR LIVING IN DESOLATION AND/OR IMPOVERISHED CIRCUMSTANCES AND TO SUPPORT AND ADVANCE THE WELLBEING, EDUCATION AND HEALTH OF SUCH PERSONS THROUGH THE PROVISION OF FUNDS, GRANTS ITEMS OR SERVICES FOR PERSONS, BODIES AND ORGANISATIONS INCLUDING THE PROVISION OF EDUCATION, TRAINING, HEALTHCARE, SHELTER AND MEDICAL AID

Activities: Children' Aid are an international humanitarian and poverty relief charity delivering support and relief services to children in the UK and overseas. We work across a number of areas delivering food aid, water aid, medical aid, shelter, education, wellbeing and disaster relief services wherever they are needed most.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Disability
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities

Geography

- Bangladesh
- India
- Kenya
- Occupied Palestinian Territories
- Pakistan
- South Africa
- Throughout England

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£217,945	£196,717	-	-
2023-12-31	£117,113	£81,944	-	-
2022-12-31	£79,020	£62,536	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Nadeem Mian	Chair	2023-08-01
Abdul Sattar		2021-07-16
Kashef Ahmed		2024-04-01

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Empowering Futures, Changing Lives

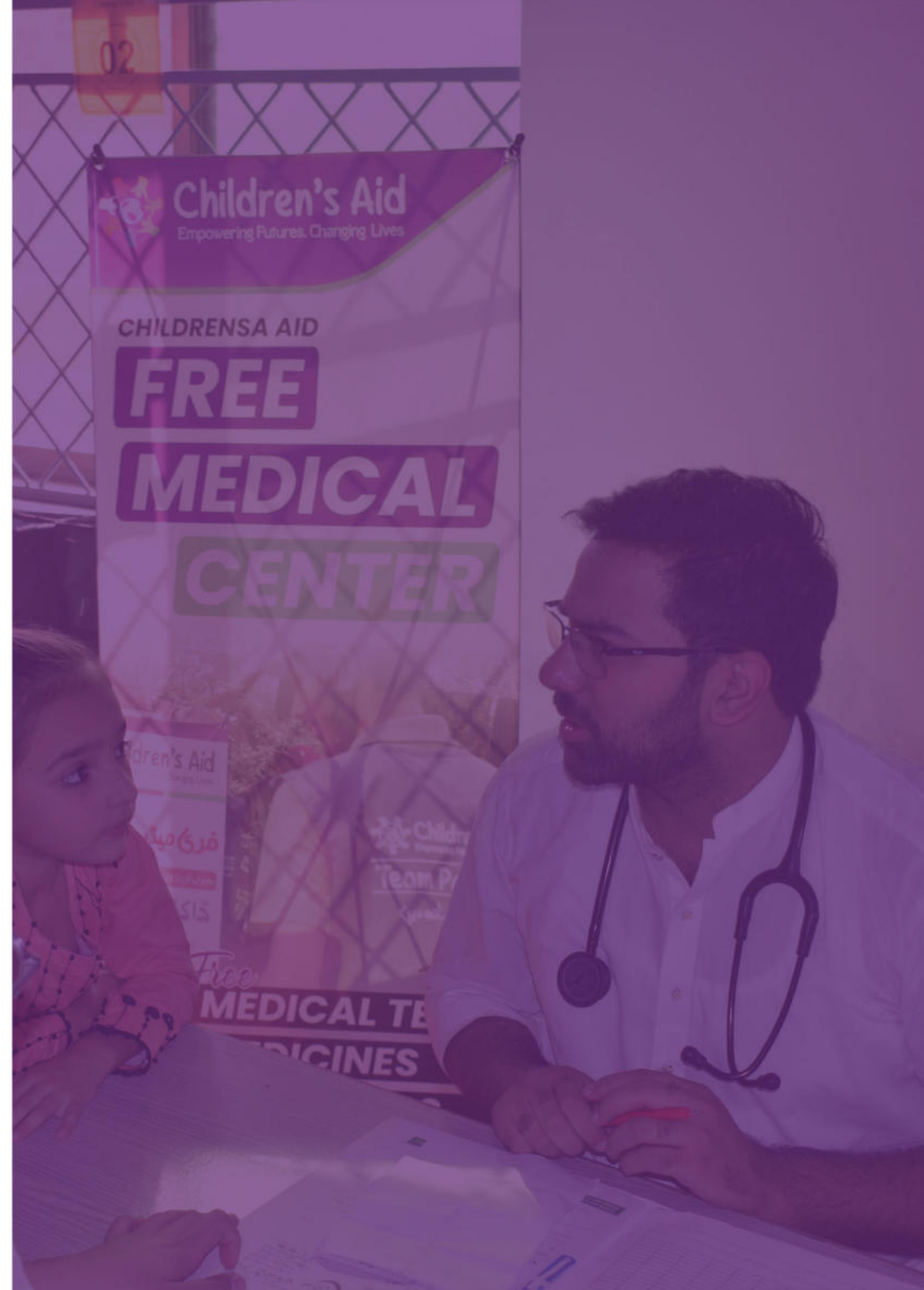
Annual Report

2024

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Message from the Chair of Trustees



Now three years since our establishment, our organisation remains firmly rooted in its mission to serve humanity. Guided by our Islamic values, and strengthened by the trust of our donors, partners, and supporters from the UK and beyond, we are deeply thankful to all who have enabled us to reach some of the world's most vulnerable communities in their time of greatest need.

It gives me great honour to present the **Children's Aid Annual Report for 2024**, marking another year of growth, resilience, and impact.

As Chair of Trustees, I have been privileged to work alongside our dedicated leadership team to nurture a culture that reflects our core values of integrity, compassion, and accountability. Over the past year, we have continued to strengthen our systems, governance, and operational frameworks, ensuring that Children's Aid remains a trusted, transparent, and effective organisation.

2024 has been a year of transformation. In line with our strategic direction, we advanced the development of our IT, social media, and overseas infrastructure support functions. While there is still more to be achieved, these investments are already driving significant efficiencies and building the foundations needed to expand our humanitarian response in the years ahead.

In 2024, we also launched our first series of events to showcase our work and strengthen engagement with both existing and prospective donors. These gatherings provided an important platform to share impact stories, highlight our future plans, and build lasting relationships with supporters who share our vision. I was privileged to **participate in key events held in Pakistan**, where I was able to meet beneficiaries and partners directly, further deepening my appreciation of the challenges faced and the difference our programmes are making on the ground.

One of the most inspiring achievements this year has been the continued growth of our overseas **Skills Centre**, designed to educate and empower young people with the skills and opportunities to shape brighter futures for themselves and their families. During my visit to the centre and other field projects during 2024, I witnessed first-hand the profound impact of our work, moments that were both humbling and motivating. InshaAllah, these programmes will continue to flourish and transform lives for many years to come.

At the same time, 2024 was marked by the tragic escalation of the war in Palestine and the deepening **humanitarian crisis in Gaza**. Children's Aid has remained steadfast in its response, expanding aid delivery to families devastated by conflict, ensuring food, water, medical care, and support reach those in desperate need.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, the Senior Leadership Team, our staff, and the wider Children's Aid family, I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our supporters worldwide. Your trust and generosity are the driving force behind everything we do. Together, we are not only delivering aid but also restoring dignity, hope, and opportunity to countless lives.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nadeem Mian".

Nadeem Mian
Chair of the Board of Trustees

A significant highlight of 2024 was witnessing the remarkable impact of our first overseas Skills Centre, launched just a year earlier. The centre is dedicated to educating and empowering young people with the knowledge and practical tools they need to build better futures for themselves and their families, helping to break the cycle of poverty. I was privileged to visit this centre, along with several other projects we supported, and to see first-hand the transformative difference our work is making in people's lives.

Nadeem Mian, Chair of the Board of Trustees



Message from the Chief Executive



We remain profoundly grateful to all who have stood with **Children's Aid** since our early days.

Your compassion and generosity have enabled us to bring hope, relief, and opportunity to some of the most disadvantaged communities across the world.

In a year overshadowed by conflict, natural disasters, and humanitarian crises, our mission has never been more urgent. These challenges expose the vulnerability of those we serve, yet also reveal the extraordinary resilience of people determined to rebuild their lives. With the support and blessings of our donors and beneficiaries, and through the unwavering commitment of our team and partners, we continue to provide life-saving support where it is needed most.

The devastation in Gaza has reached levels unseen in recent history, leaving families displaced, traumatised, and deprived of basic essentials. In response, Children's Aid rapidly expanded its emergency operations, delivering food, clean water, and medical aid to affected communities. When severe floods struck Bangladesh, our teams once again mobilised swiftly, providing vital relief and assistance to vulnerable households.

During Ramadan, we launched targeted appeals that delivered much needed food packs to struggling families in Bangladesh, Pakistan, and Kenya. Thousands were able to observe the holy month with dignity despite the immense uncertainty they faced. These efforts were only possible thanks to the generosity of our donors and the tireless dedication of our staff and volunteers.

In 2024, we increased our focus on healthcare and access to medical treatment. In collaboration with leading doctors and consultants, we organised medical camps across Pakistan, providing free consultations, medicines, and specialist care. In Kenya, we supported a free cataract clinic, offering life changing eye treatments to those affected by the debilitating disease. Alongside this, we continued funding urgent medical care for individuals and communities who otherwise had no access to treatment.

Beyond emergency and health interventions, we expanded our investment in water and sanitation projects: building wells in Algeria, drilling boreholes in South Africa and Kenya, establishing filtration plants in Pakistan, and deploying water tankers to both drought affected Kenya and war-torn Gaza. Access to safe water remains one of the most pressing global needs, and our projects are already transforming the daily lives of countless families.

In the UK, our teams worked tirelessly to raise awareness, engage communities, and sustain vital fundraising efforts. Overseas, particularly in Pakistan, Bangladesh, and Kenya, our field staff distributed Zakat and Sadaqah to the most vulnerable, ensuring donations directly reached those in greatest need.

This year also marked significant progress in community strengthening our organisational capacity. In Pakistan, we united 19 NGOs to coordinate humanitarian aid for Gaza, while in the UK we deepened partnerships with schools and faith institutions to widen community engagement. We established our first international branch office and expanded our Skills and Learning Centre in Pakistan. Today, the centre not only provides education for children but also vocational training in tailoring and digital skills for young people, creating sustainable futures. Our Pakistan office now also functions as an IT and operations hub, enabling us to strengthen and scale our international work.

Our orphan care programme continues to grow, reaching children across Tanzania, Pakistan, Kenya, Bangladesh, and India. By combining immediate relief with long-term development, education, vocational training and orphan support, we are helping build resilience and pathways out of poverty for vulnerable communities.

Despite the immense challenges we face, Children's Aid is growing stronger. By reinforcing our governance, scaling up our programmes, and safeguarding accountability, we are protecting the trust placed in us and maximising the impact of every contribution.

Above all, we draw inspiration from the resilience of those we serve and the dedication of our staff, volunteers, and partners. Their commitment fuels our mission and sustains our vision of a fairer world - one where every child has the chance to live with dignity, hope, and opportunity.

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Saleem Ali
Chief Executive

Guided by compassion, driven by impact - **our vision, values, and strategy** shape a better future for all.

As a faith-based organisation inspired by Islamic values, **Children's Aid** is dedicated to improving the lives of those in need, with a particular focus on children and empowering individuals to break the cycle of poverty. We work with various communities, regardless of race, religion, or gender, to serve the poor and impoverished, alleviating suffering and fostering long term development.

OUR VISION

Our vision is to serve the poor and alleviate poverty, regardless of race, religion, or gender, with a special emphasis on improving the lives of children. We **empower individuals and communities** to break the cycle of poverty and build sustainable futures.

OUR VALUES

Our values provide a framework that ensures we remain accountable to our donors, supporters, stakeholders, and beneficiaries. These values also help to shape and guide our organisation, ensuring we remain focused on our vision:



Honesty & Accountability

We aim to be honest and open in all we do, holding ourselves accountable for our actions before being held accountable by others. Transparent communication is key, ensuring our supporters are kept informed about projects and how we use resources.



Trust & Integrity

We believe every person has the right to live with dignity and respect. All our staff, volunteers, and partners are expected to act responsibly and work professionally with integrity, gaining the respect and trust of those we serve and those who support us.



Justice & Compassion

We are dedicated to working justly, distributing aid equally regardless of faith, race, or gender. Compassion is central to all our efforts, as we strive to ease the suffering of people unconditionally, no matter who they are or where they come from.



OUR STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

Children's Aid is committed to achieving the following objectives, which are exclusively for the public benefit:

Deliver Effective Emergency Response

We want to ensure rapid, effective response to emergencies, providing humanitarian relief to those affected by natural or man made disasters. Our goal is to build a delivery network capable of responding effectively to humanitarian crises while simultaneously developing the capacity to link relief efforts with long-term sustainable development.

Support Orphans and Orphanages

We want to provide care, education, and support to orphans, ensuring they grow in a safe, nurturing environment. Our goal is to support orphanages, providing essential supplies, and facilitating access to healthcare and education. We strive to give these children the opportunities they need to flourish.

Provide Access to Safe, Clean Drinking Water

We want to ensure that communities in impoverished, war torn and drought-affected areas have access to safe and clean drinking water and sanitation. Our goal is to build wells, install water filtration systems, and provide access to water to improve overall health and wellbeing.

Secure Sustainable Livelihoods for Marginalised Communities

In regions where poverty is extreme, we want to focus on empowering communities by restoring livelihood opportunities and improving income generation. Our goal is to provide access to funding, training, and skills that support the creation of new opportunities, enabling individuals to build sustainable livelihoods and break the cycle of poverty.

Improve Access to Education

We want to provide marginalised children with access to education, aiming to enable more children to attend school. Our goal is to break the cycle of poverty by empowering children through learning, creating brighter futures for generations to come. Through education, we seek to open doors to opportunities, fostering growth, knowledge, and the ability for these children to transform their communities.

Enhance Maternal and Child Healthcare (MNCH) Services

We want to improve access to essential healthcare services for the poorest and most vulnerable communities. Our goals include setting up medical camps to provide access to doctors and consultants, supporting treatments, and ensuring access to medications.

Provide Housing & Shelter

At Children's Aid, we recognise that safe and secure shelter is the foundation for dignity, stability, and recovery. Our housing programmes deliver emergency relief to families displaced by conflict, natural disasters, and poverty, offering protection, warmth, and hope in times of crisis. Alongside temporary shelter, we collaborate with partners to develop longer-term housing solutions that enable families to rebuild their lives and create safe spaces where children can grow, learn, and thrive.

Strengthen Capacity Building

Children's Aid is committed to empowering communities and organisations to lead their own development. Through training, skills development, and strategic partnerships, we build local capacity to deliver sustainable services, enhance governance, and equip individuals with the knowledge and tools needed to drive lasting change.






WHAT WE DO

Operating across more than **10 countries** through our branch offices and trusted partners in Africa, Asia, and Europe, Children's Aid is dedicated to supporting vulnerable communities facing hardship caused by conflict, natural disasters, and the lack of basic necessities. Guided by compassion and inclusivity, we serve all those in need, regardless of faith, race, ethnicity, age, or ability.

While delivering effective emergency response remains one of our central priorities, we are equally committed to long-term, strategic programmes that tackle the root causes of poverty.

Our focus includes:

 Humanitarian/Emergency Response

 Education

 Healthcare

 Water & Sanitation

 Food Insecurity

 Orphan Support

 Livelihood

 Housing & Shelter

 Capacity Building

OUR OUTLOOK

As we look to the future, we remain committed to expanding the reach and impact of our work. Our priorities include increasing access to clean water and sanitation facilities, strengthening our overseas orphanage support programmes, investing in capacity building, and expanding skills training and livelihood opportunities that empower individuals and communities to thrive.

With the continued support of our donors and partners, we are determined to fulfil our mission of helping those most in need and creating lasting, positive change in some of the world's most disadvantaged communities. By working together, we can transform lives and build a brighter, more hopeful future for all.



HOW WE MONITOR & REPORT

At Children's Aid, transparency is one of our defining values and underpins everything we do. We are committed to showing our donors, partners, and communities the real impact of their support through regular monitoring, detailed project updates, and powerful case studies. From responding to humanitarian emergencies to providing education, supporting orphanages, and fostering sustainable livelihoods, we ensure that our work consistently reflects our mission and values.

Our monitoring and reporting processes are rooted in accountability. We track the progress of each programme to ensure it delivers meaningful results and aligns with our strategic objectives. In doing so, we demonstrate how our core values - honesty, compassion, justice, and integrity are lived out in practice.

By maintaining open communication and sharing both our successes and the lessons we learn, Children's Aid remains a transparent and accountable organisation. This commitment builds trust, inspires confidence, and ensures that our collective efforts create positive and lasting change.

Impact 2024

Serving **50,136+** Individuals with Compassion & Care

In 2024, we spent with purpose – reaching over 50,136 Individuals through education, healthcare, and livelihood support, ensuring real impact and lasting change.

WHERE WE WORK

Children's Aid operates in numerous countries, partnering with local and international organisations to deliver life-saving support. Whether it's providing emergency relief in Gaza, helping families in **Bangladesh, Pakistan, and Kenya** during Ramadhan, or working on long-term development projects in areas like education and healthcare, we are dedicated to making a meaningful difference. Children's Aid operates through a network of overseas branch offices and local partners. Branch offices are funded through a combination of their own income generation initiatives (such as grants and donations secured in-country from public and institutional donors and grant funders) in addition to funding from the United Kingdom main office derived from public fundraising. The UK Office liaises with the local branch office staff to help develop and monitor the programme activity. We operate in Pakistan through a branch office and in Kenya, Bangladesh, India, South Africa and Palestine, through various partners where we do not have a country presence.



WHO WE WORK WITH

The number of community-based humanitarian organisations that Children's Aid works with has grown over time. We are committed to a **partnership-based approach** to poverty eradication and empowerment.

OUR PARTNERSHIPS

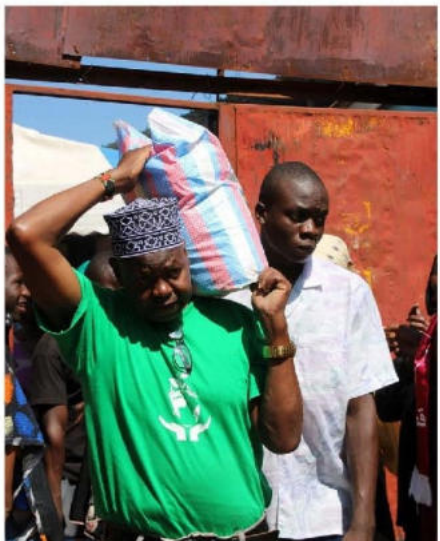
We believe in working collaboratively with a network of like-minded organisations and community groups. Through partnerships with **other charities, agencies, and local grassroots organisations**, we extend our reach and strengthen our impact. Together, we are building a world where everyone can live with dignity, justice, and opportunity.

Palestine	Pakistan	India	Bangladesh	Jordan
Kenya	South Africa	Tanzania	UK	Algeria

OUR ACHIEVEMENT & PERFORMANCE IN 2024

2024 saw us continue to build on the progress of previous years, developing new programs and strategies to address the increasingly volatile situations emerging globally.

Projects Delivered	171
Countries Served	10
People Benefitted	50,136
Amount Spent	£196,717



KEY PROJECT AREAS



Food Insecurity

We work to combat food insecurity by providing access to nutritious meals for vulnerable individuals and families. Our programs include emergency food aid and ration programs. By addressing immediate hunger needs and promoting long-term food security, we help build healthier, more resilient communities.



11
Projects



4
Countries



12,605
People Served



Water & Sanitation

We address water and sanitation needs by providing communities with access to clean, safe drinking water and improved sanitation facilities. Our programs focus on building and maintaining wells, installing filtration systems, and promoting hygiene education to prevent disease. By empowering communities with sustainable solutions, we help improve health, reduce waterborne illnesses, and create a foundation for lasting well-being.



5
Projects



4
Countries



2,500
People Served



Orphan Support

We offer support for orphans and vulnerable children, ensuring they have safe shelter, nutritious meals, access to education, and supportive environments. Our programs work closely with orphanages, to provide essentials like food, clothing, education, healthcare, and skills training. By creating a supportive foundation, we empower these children to thrive, fostering resilience and hope for a brighter future.



17
Projects



5
Countries



1,476
People Served



Humanitarian Aid

We provide rapid response to communities affected by emergencies, including natural disasters, conflict, and displacement. Our focus is on delivering immediate relief to those most in need, providing critical aid such as food, shelter, medical supplies, and other essential services. Our teams work tirelessly to alleviate the suffering of those impacted, helping restore hope for a brighter future.



87

Projects



5

Countries



27,560

People Served



Livelihoods

Our primary goal is to empower vulnerable communities toward self-sufficiency and resilience. Through skills training, financial assistance, and entrepreneurship support, these programs help individuals and families generate income and enhance their economic well-being. With a focus on sustainable development, we equip people with the tools and resources needed to build better futures for themselves and their families.



3

Projects



2

Countries



12

People Served



Education

We enhance access to education and promote learning for children and young adults. Our programs support not only students but also their families, teachers, and schools. This includes providing school supplies, teacher salaries, infrastructure improvements, primary and secondary education support and vocational training. By doing so, we are helping build stronger, more resilient communities and breaking the cycle of poverty.



19

Projects



4

Countries



3,345

People Served



Healthcare

We provide access to quality healthcare and promote healthy living in vulnerable communities. This includes medical services and treatments, along with essential medical supplies, and support. By improving access to quality healthcare, we help enhance the overall well-being of communities, especially the most vulnerable.



15

Projects



4

Countries



1,765

People Served



Shelter & Housing

We recognise that safe and secure shelter is the foundation for dignity, stability, and recovery. Our housing programmes provide emergency relief for families displaced by conflict, natural disasters, and poverty, offering protection, warmth, and hope in times of crisis. Alongside temporary shelter, we work with partners to develop longer-term housing solutions that help families rebuild their lives and create safe spaces for children to grow and thrive.



5

Projects



2

Countries



754

People Served



Capacity Building

Children's Aid is committed to strengthening communities and organisations so they can lead their own development. Through training, skills development, and partnerships, we build local capacity to deliver sustainable services, improve governance, and empower individuals with the knowledge and tools they need to create lasting change.



9

Projects



2

Countries



119

People Served

OVERVIEW OF OUR WORK IN 2024

A Year of Impactful Change: Standing with Gaza and Beyond

SUMMARY

In 2024, Children's Aid remained at the forefront of delivering lifesaving aid, empowering communities, and transforming lives in some of the world's most vulnerable regions. Much of our focus centred on the unfolding humanitarian crisis in Gaza, where, through the tireless support of our donors and partners, we delivered emergency relief including food parcels, medical supplies, and shelter to families devastated by conflict. Working closely with a dedicated network of volunteers, we ensured aid reached those most in need, providing not only immediate relief but also hope in a time of profound hardship.

Alongside our emergency response in Gaza, we strengthened our wider portfolio of programmes across education, healthcare, water and sanitation, housing and shelter, food security, and orphan support. A central theme of 2024 was capacity building - investing in the skills, knowledge, and resilience of local communities and organisations so they can lead their own development and create lasting change.

We proudly hosted our first series of donor engagement events, designed to showcase the impact of our work and deepen connections with both existing and new supporters. A highlight of the year was the continued growth of our Skills and Education Centre in Pakistan, now a hub of opportunity for young people. By equipping them with training, education, and pathways to sustainable livelihoods, we are empowering the next generation to build brighter futures for themselves and their families.

Our seasonal initiatives, including Ramadan Rations and Qurbani, once again provided essential support to families during key times of the year, while our Orphan Support Programme continued to deliver vital resources, education, and emotional care to children without families. In addition, we responded to global crises beyond Gaza, supporting communities affected by natural disasters and conflict with food, medical care, and safe shelter. With an emphasis on sustainability, our livelihood and capacity-building initiatives helped families transition from reliance on aid toward self-sufficiency.

Internally, Children's Aid also invested in strengthening its own capacity. We delivered training for staff, volunteers, and community partners, building skills and confidence across our network. At the community level, we supported grassroots initiatives with knowledge-sharing and practical tools, enabling them to deliver services more effectively and independently. By building capacity both within and beyond our organisation, we enhanced the quality, reach, and sustainability of our programmes while empowering communities to take ownership of their own development.

2024 has been a year defined by resilience, compassion, and solidarity. With your continued support, InshaAllah, we will remain steadfast in standing alongside those in greatest need, in Gaza and across the world, delivering not just aid, but lasting change.



HUMANITARIAN PROGRAMME

In 2024, Children's Aid's Humanitarian Aid programme continued to provide urgent relief to communities facing crisis, with a particular focus on the humanitarian emergency in Gaza. Working with trusted local partners, we delivered food parcels, medical supplies, safe shelter, and other essential resources to families affected by conflict and displacement.

Beyond Gaza, we also responded to communities impacted by natural disasters and emergencies in other regions, ensuring swift assistance reached those most in need. Through our rapid response teams and partnerships, we sought not only to alleviate immediate suffering but also to restore dignity, offer hope, and help communities begin the path toward recovery and resilience.

Pakistan

We extended vital humanitarian assistance to some of the poorest families in Pakistan. Our support included covering funeral expenses, allowing families to honour their loved ones with dignity; contributing towards wedding costs for disadvantaged households, enabling them to celebrate important milestones without the weight of financial strain; and providing help with essential living costs to ease the burden on families struggling with poverty. These targeted interventions offered dignity, relief, and hope at some of life's most difficult moments.



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Gaza

Children's Aid mobilised a volunteer network in Gaza to deliver urgent humanitarian aid in the face of war, displacement, and widespread hardship. Our teams carried out weekly deliveries of water tankers to provide clean drinking water, distributed cooked meals for thousands of displaced families, and supplied essential ration packs to hundreds of households struggling to survive. Medicines and hygiene kits were delivered to protect health and dignity, while vital hospital supplies supported overstretched health services.

Alongside this emergency relief, we worked to preserve dignity and foster resilience by organising children's activities, offering moments of comfort and normality amid crisis. By combining rapid aid delivery with community led support, we helped families not only endure immediate challenges but also sustain hope, tradition, and resilience in one of the world's most difficult environments.



Bangladesh

We responded swiftly to the devastating floods in Bangladesh, which displaced thousands of families and destroyed countless livelihoods. Working with local partners and volunteers, we ensured aid reached the hardest hit communities, while also supporting families with essential items to begin the process of recovery. Our rapid intervention brought lifesaving relief and hope to those most affected by the disaster.



Feeding dreams
and futures

1,476+ orphans
served this year

EDUCATION PROGRAMME

In 2024, Children's Aid's Education Programme continued to expand access to learning opportunities for children and young people in low-income and vulnerable communities. We provided essential support such as school supplies, teacher salaries, infrastructure improvements, and assistance with student fees for higher education. By investing in students, families, and schools, we are helping to break the cycle of poverty, strengthen community resilience, and create pathways to brighter futures through the power of education.

Kenya

Children's Aid continued to strengthen its commitment to education and community development through our Madrasah initiative in Kibera, one of Kenya's largest slums. Established and run by Brother Jamal Lali and his wife since 2015, the project has become a vital source of hope and opportunity for children from some of the most disadvantaged backgrounds.

Our support provides access to quality education alongside Islamic learning, while also delivering cooked meals that, for many children, represent their only daily nourishment. With over 350 children attending regularly, the Madrasah offers both education and sustenance, helping to break cycles of poverty and giving young learners the tools and confidence to build a brighter future.

In addition to our work in Kibera, we also extended support to several smaller, remote madrasahs across Kenya by contributing to vital renovation costs. These improvements created safer, more functional spaces for learning, ensuring that children in underserved areas can access education in environments that are both dignified and conducive to study.



Pakistan

Children's Aid remains committed to ensuring that no child is denied an education because of financial hardship. In 2024, our school fees programme supported vulnerable families by covering tuition and related expenses, enabling children to attend school consistently and pursue their academic ambitions. Alongside this, we contributed to the improvement of other schools, including the installation of a water cooler in a deprived school, ensuring students had access to safe drinking water during the school day. This practical support helps strengthen school environments and makes education more accessible and dignified for all.

We continued our commitment to supporting the educational aspirations of individuals with disabilities. Our flagship initiative included providing full university fees and related costs for a blind student pursuing higher education, breaking down financial barriers that would otherwise have prevented her from realising her dreams. By investing in her academic journey, we are not only empowering her with the skills and knowledge for a brighter future but also championing inclusivity and equal opportunities for students with disabilities.



Through the generosity of our donors, we are transforming individual lives and helping to build a more inclusive society.

Recognising the importance of early learning, Children's Aid established a preschool programme in 2024 to support young children from disadvantaged backgrounds. By providing a safe and nurturing environment for early education, we help lay the foundations for lifelong learning, social development, and confidence, giving children the best possible start in life.

Our Skills Institute in Pakistan continued to grow in 2024, equipping individuals with the practical training needed for sustainable livelihoods. The programme expanded from offering vocational skills in sewing to training in computer literacy, and IT skills. By combining hands-on learning with mentorship, we are empowering participants to secure meaningful work, achieve self-sufficiency, and contribute to local economic development. Thanks to the leadership of our country manager, the dedication of staff, and the generosity of our donors, the Skills Institute has become a hub of opportunity and transformation for disadvantaged communities.



QURBANI PROGRAMME

In 2024, Children's Aid's Qurbani programme continued to provide fresh meat to vulnerable communities during Eid al-Adha, enabling families in need to share in this important religious tradition. By reaching households facing food insecurity, the initiative ensured they could partake in the blessings of Qurbani, fostering dignity, inclusion, and a sense of community at this special time of year. For many impoverished families this is the only meat they will be able to enjoy for the whole year. Through the generosity of our donors, we brought joy and nourishment to families who might otherwise have been unable to celebrate, strengthening bonds of faith and solidarity.

Pakistan

Children's Aid distributed Qurbani meat to families in underserved areas across Pakistan. Working closely with local communities, we identified the most vulnerable households to ensure that support reached those who would otherwise have gone without. This initiative not only provided families with vital nutrition but also enabled them to celebrate Eid al-Adha with dignity, joy, and a renewed sense of inclusion in this important tradition.



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India

Children's Aid extended its Qurbani programme across India, reaching communities in remote villages where access to fresh food is scarce. Working in partnership with local organisations, we streamlined distribution to ensure that families received Qurbani meat promptly and with dignity. Our efforts also included orphanages, allowing orphaned children to share in the blessings of Eid al-Adha. By providing both nourishment and the festive spirit of this important occasion, we brought comfort and joy to those who are too often overlooked.



Kenya

Children's Aid recognised the hardships faced by vulnerable communities during Eid al-Adha and focused its Qurbani efforts on delivering fresh meat to families in the Kibera slums and surrounding areas. Working with local partners, we facilitated timely distribution and ensured that children in local orphanages were also included. This initiative not only addressed urgent food needs but also fostered a spirit of solidarity, allowing families and children to celebrate Eid with dignity and joy.

Bangladesh

Children's Aid's Qurbani programme in Bangladesh provided fresh, nutritious meat to orphanages and vulnerable families during Eid al-Adha. By reaching those most in need, we ensured that disadvantaged children and households could share in this important tradition, strengthening community bonds and bringing dignity and joy to the celebration. This initiative not only supported food security but also fostered a sense of belonging and togetherness at a time that is deeply significant for families across the country.



RAMADAN PROGRAMME

In 2024, Children's Aid's Ramadan Programme continued to provide essential support to vulnerable communities, ensuring families could observe the holy month with dignity and adequate nourishment. Through our Ramadan Rations initiative, we distributed food packs containing staple items to sustain families throughout iftar and suhoor. In addition, we extended support to include cooked meals for those most in need, reaching displaced families and orphaned children. By addressing food insecurity at this sacred time of giving and reflection, the programme not only met urgent needs but also fostered solidarity, compassion, and a renewed sense of community.

UK

Children's Aid reaffirmed its commitment to supporting vulnerable communities during Ramadan through our partnership with Tooting Community Kitchen. Together, we provided nutritious, freshly cooked Iftari meals to low-income families, the elderly, and homeless individuals facing food insecurity, ensuring they could break their fast with dignity.

This initiative not only addressed immediate hunger but also created a sense of belonging and unity, bringing community members together in the spirit of Ramadan. We are deeply grateful to Tooting Community Kitchen and our generous donors, whose support made it possible to deliver meaningful impact during this sacred month. By working in collaboration, we ensured that no one was excluded from the blessings of Ramadan because of hardship.

Pakistan

Children's Aid's Ramadan Ration Programme in Pakistan provided vital support to vulnerable families throughout the holy month. Through our local office and volunteer network, we distributed essential food packs and organised Iftari meals, ensuring families could observe traditional practices with dignity.

This initiative helped alleviate food insecurity while fostering community spirit and upholding the values of generosity and compassion central to Ramadan. By reaching those most in need, we not only improved wellbeing and nourishment but also brought joy and hope to families during this sacred time of reflection and giving.



Kenya

Children's Aid's Ramadan Ration Programme in Kenya provided vital assistance to vulnerable families during the holy month. We distributed food packs containing staple items such as rice, flour, beans, and cooking oil, ensuring households had the means to prepare nutritious meals for iftar and suhoor. By working with local partners to coordinate distribution, we were able to reach those most in need, alleviating the burden on low-income families and enabling them to fully observe the traditions of Ramadan. This initiative not only addressed food insecurity but also fostered solidarity and compassion within the community.

To mark the joyous occasion of Eid, Children's Aid delivered a special initiative for Madrassah students in Kenya. We provided festive meals prepared fresh for the children to enjoy together, creating a sense of unity and celebration. In addition, every student received new clothes, helping them to feel valued, included, and uplifted during the festivities. This initiative not only enhanced the students' Eid experience but also reinforced bonds of community, dignity, and belonging, making the celebrations memorable and meaningful.



Bangladesh

Children's Aid's Ramadan Ration Programme in Bangladesh provided essential support to vulnerable families throughout the holy month. We distributed food packs containing staple items such as rice, lentils, oil, and spices, enabling families to prepare nutritious meals for iftar and suhoor. This initiative helped alleviate food insecurity, allowing low-income households to observe Ramadan traditions without the burden of hunger. By working with local organisations to coordinate distribution, we ensured that aid reached those most in need, fostering solidarity, dignity, and compassion within the community.

To mark the festive occasion of Eid, Children's Aid organised special celebrations at supported orphanages in Bangladesh. We provided freshly prepared meals in a communal setting, allowing children to experience the joy of togetherness and festive spirit. Each child also received new clothes, helping them to feel valued, cherished, and included in the celebrations. This initiative not only enhanced their Eid experience but also strengthened community bonds, creating lasting memories of care, dignity, and joy for some of the country's most vulnerable children.



Sharing blessings
with every Meal

Over 4500+
families supported during Ramadan

ORPHAN PROGRAMME

Children's Aid's Orphan Support Programme continued to provide essential care and resources to orphaned children, with a focus on their wellbeing, education, and personal development. Through a combination of orphan sponsorships and orphanage support, we ensured that children had consistent access to nutritious food, healthcare, schooling, and emotional care.

Our aim is not only to meet immediate needs but also to create stability and opportunity, empowering orphaned children to grow with dignity, confidence, and hope. By investing in their education and wellbeing, we are helping to break cycles of poverty and giving each child the foundation for a brighter, more secure future.

Bangladesh

Children's Aid strengthened its support for the Al Madina and Kazi Orphanages in Bangladesh, ensuring that vulnerable children received the care and resources they need to thrive. Our initiatives included funding for food, education, healthcare, and daily necessities, providing a safe, nurturing, and supportive environment for the children in residence.

We also supported the renovation and extension of one orphanage, allowing it to accommodate more children in need of a safe haven. Through this partnership, we continue to promote the wellbeing and development of orphaned children while fostering a sense of community, dignity, and hope.



Impacting over **1,476+** Orphans

Providing care, education, and hope for orphaned children in Bangladesh.

India

Children's Aid strengthened its support for the Shade Trust in India, providing vulnerable orphans with the essential care and resources they need to thrive. Our funding includes support for nutritious meals, healthcare, education, and personal necessities, creating a safe and nurturing environment where orphans can grow with dignity.

Alongside meeting immediate needs, we placed a strong emphasis on education and skill development, equipping orphans with the tools to build confidence, independence, and brighter futures. We also continued our support for the Majilis Imdadul Muslimeen Girls' Orphanage in India. Through this partnership, we are helping to nurture the girls' overall wellbeing and self-esteem, while fostering a strong sense of community, belonging, and hope for a brighter future.



Tanzania

Children's Aid continued its support for a boys' orphanage in remote Tanzania, providing vulnerable children with the essential care and resources they need to grow and thrive. Our funding covered nutritious meals, healthcare, education, and daily necessities, creating a safe and supportive environment for the boys. By partnering with the orphanage, we aim to promote their overall wellbeing and development while fostering a strong sense of community, belonging, and hope for a brighter future.



We support over **1,476 Orphans**
In 4 Countries



Pakistan

Children's Aid extended its support to orphans in Pakistan through the Agosh Orphanage Project. Our assistance helped provide essential care, while also ensuring that the children felt included and valued during special occasions. As part of this, we distributed new clothes to the orphans, bringing them joy and dignity during festive periods.



Extending care and
compassion

Supporting orphans through
the Agosh Orphanage Project
in Pakistan.

800+ Orphans Served
in Pakistan

HEALTHCARE PROGRAMME

In 2024, Children's Aid's Healthcare Programme continued to enhance access to quality healthcare for vulnerable communities, addressing both urgent medical needs and long-term health education. We supported healthcare facilities with essential medicines and supplies, provided direct medical treatments for those unable to afford care, and worked with leading practitioners and healthcare workers to strengthen community-based services.

Our approach aims to improve overall health outcomes, reduce preventable illness, and promote wellbeing among those who lack regular access to medical services. By investing in both care and capacity, we are helping to build healthier, more resilient communities

UK

Children's Aid continued its support for Claire House Children's Hospice, which provides vital care for children with life-limiting conditions and their families. Claire House delivers specialist medical care alongside emotional support and respite services, ensuring families receive the comprehensive assistance they need during the most challenging times.

Our contribution also helps sustain therapeutic programmes and activities that bring comfort, joy, and meaningful experiences to the children, creating cherished moments for them and their loved ones. By supporting Claire House, we are helping to enhance quality of life while fostering a compassionate community of care, dignity, and support for families facing profound difficulties.

Pakistan

In 2024, Children's Aid organised and ran a series of medical camps across Pakistan to support disadvantaged communities with little or no access to healthcare. These camps provided thousands of individuals with free consultations from leading doctors, consultants, and paediatricians, along with essential medicines and treatments.

Beyond the camps, we also supplied wheelchairs to those living with mobility challenges and extended specialised medical support to patients suffering from cancer and gangrene. Through these initiatives, we helped improve health outcomes, ease suffering, and bring dignity and hope to some of the poorest and most vulnerable members of society.



Bangladesh

In 2024, Children's Aid remained committed to supporting a blind widower in Bangladesh, ensuring he received essential medical treatment and ongoing care. Our assistance extended beyond his immediate health needs to securing a more stable future for his young daughters, whom he is currently unable to provide for alone. By stepping in with practical and emotional support, we aim to ease the family's daily hardships and restore dignity, hope, and opportunity as they rebuild their lives.

Kenya

In 2024, Children's Aid delivered vital healthcare support in Kenya through a cataract clinic that restored sight and independence to those suffering from preventable blindness. We also provided wheelchairs to disadvantaged individuals with mobility needs and supported vulnerable people with access to mental health care. These initiatives brought dignity, hope, and improved quality of life to some of the poorest members of the community.



WATER & SANITATION PROGRAMME

In 2024, Children's Aid's Water Aid Programme continued to expand access to safe, clean water and improved sanitation for underserved communities. Our initiatives included constructing new wells, installing water purification systems, and supporting hygiene education to reduce the spread of waterborne diseases.

By securing reliable access to clean water, we not only improved health outcomes but also reduced daily hardship, particularly for women and children who often bear the burden of water collection. These efforts are helping to create healthier, more resilient communities and laying the foundations for sustainable development.

Pakistan

Children's Aid advanced its commitment to improving access to safe drinking water in rural and underserved communities across Pakistan. Through our village wells initiative, we provided sustainable water sources that reduced the distance families, particularly women and children must travel to collect water. These wells not only eased daily hardship but also played a vital role in preventing waterborne diseases and improving hygiene, leading to better overall health outcomes.

In addition, we installed a water filtration plant to deliver clean, safe drinking water to local communities on a larger scale. This facility is helping to reduce the prevalence of waterborne illnesses and create a healthier living environment, transforming lives by addressing one of the most pressing needs for vulnerable families.



Kenya

Children's Aid provided critical water support to remote communities in Kenya struggling with scarcity and drought. We deployed water tankers to deliver safe, clean drinking water to families with no other reliable source, easing daily hardship and improving health. In addition, we dug boreholes to create long-term, sustainable access to clean water, reducing the burden on women and children who often travel long distances to collect it. These efforts are helping to prevent waterborne diseases, strengthen community resilience, and improve quality of life in some of the country's most underserved areas.

Algeria

In 2024, Children's Aid supported a rural community in Algeria by constructing a new well to provide safe, clean drinking water. This sustainable water source has reduced the distance families must travel to collect water, improved daily living conditions, and helped protect against waterborne diseases. By addressing this vital need, we have eased hardship for vulnerable households and strengthened the community's long-term resilience.

South Africa

In 2024, Children's Aid constructed a borehole in South Africa to provide a sustainable source of clean, safe drinking water for a community facing severe scarcity. This project has eased the daily burden on families, particularly women and children, who previously had to travel long distances to collect water. By improving access to clean water, the borehole is helping to reduce the spread of waterborne diseases, strengthen community health, and support long-term resilience.

Gaza

In 2024, Children's Aid provided weekly deliveries of clean water to families in Gaza facing severe shortages due to conflict and blockade. These regular supplies offered a lifeline for desperate households, ensuring access to safe drinking water, protecting against waterborne disease, and easing the daily struggles of survival. By responding quickly and consistently, we helped vulnerable families meet one of their most urgent needs during an ongoing humanitarian crisis.



LIVELIHOODS PROGRAMME

In 2024, Children's Aid's Livelihood Programme continued to empower vulnerable individuals and families to achieve greater economic stability and independence. Through skills training, financial support, and entrepreneurship initiatives, we equipped participants with the tools and resources needed to generate sustainable income.

Our approach focused on building self-sufficiency, resilience, and long-term wellbeing. By helping people create opportunities for themselves and their families, the programme strengthens communities, reduces dependency, and fosters lasting pathways out of poverty.

Pakistan

Children's Aid continued to support its successful Skills Institute with a focus on its Stitching Centre programme in Pakistan, empowering women through vocational training and skills development. This initiative equips women with practical knowledge in stitching and tailoring, enabling them to produce garments and textile products that can generate income. By providing these valuable skills, the programme enhances employability, promotes financial independence, and contributes to long-term community development.

To ensure lasting impact, all women who successfully completed the course were provided with their own sewing machine, enabling them to begin earning a livelihood immediately. This approach not only supports individual women but also uplifts their families and strengthens the wider community by fostering entrepreneurship, self-sufficiency, and improved living standards.

In 2024, the Skills Institute expanded its reach by training over [insert number] women in stitching and tailoring, while also introducing new courses in IT literacy. These additions give participants a broader skillset to access diverse employment opportunities or start small enterprises. The programme continues to grow as a hub of opportunity, helping women and young people move from vulnerability towards resilience and independence.



Kenya

Children's Aid supported disadvantaged women in Kenya by providing sewing machines to help them build sustainable livelihoods. This initiative enabled women from poor households to use their skills in tailoring and garment making to generate income, achieve greater financial independence, and provide for their families. By equipping women with the tools to earn a living, we are not only improving household wellbeing but also fostering resilience and entrepreneurship within their communities.



FOOD INSECURITY PROGRAMME

In 2024, Children's Aid's Food Aid Programme continued to tackle hunger and food insecurity among vulnerable communities by providing nutritious food parcels and essential supplies to families in need. Through targeted distributions and partnerships with local organisations, we ensured that support reached those most at risk, including low-income households, displaced families, and orphaned children.

This programme goes beyond alleviating immediate hunger, it supports healthier lives, reduces hardship, and strengthens community resilience. By ensuring access to basic sustenance, we are helping families not only survive but also move towards greater stability and hope for the future.

UK

Children's Aid continued its collaboration with Tooting Community Kitchen to tackle food insecurity among vulnerable communities in South London. Together, we provided regular distributions of freshly prepared, nutritious meals, ensuring that individuals and families struggling with hardship had access to essential food resources.

Beyond addressing immediate hunger, this partnership fostered a sense of dignity, community support, and resilience. By standing alongside Tooting Community Kitchen, we not only met urgent needs but also contributed to creating a stronger, more caring local community where no one is left behind.

Pakistan

Children's Aid expanded its hospital and community meal distribution initiative to support vulnerable people facing health and nutrition challenges. We provided freshly prepared meals to patients and their families in local hospitals, as well as to individuals and households in impoverished areas struggling with acute food insecurity.

By addressing immediate nutritional needs, this programme not only alleviated hunger but also supported recovery, improved health outcomes, and enhanced overall wellbeing. Through consistent delivery and community partnerships, we continue to bring relief and dignity to those most in need.



In 2024, we served over

12,605

Individuals

India

Children's Aid continued its support for Nawab's Kitchen in India, an initiative dedicated to providing nutritious meals to orphans and underprivileged communities. Through this partnership, we helped ensure that hot, freshly prepared meals reached children who might otherwise go without, offering both sustenance and comfort.

This collaboration reflects our mission to combat food insecurity and promote wellbeing among vulnerable groups. By standing alongside Nawab's Kitchen, we are helping to bring hope, dignity, and nourishment to some of the most disadvantaged children in India.



Impacting over
12,605+
people

Gaza

Children's Aid provided essential ration packs and freshly cooked meals to displaced families in Gaza. These distributions offered immediate relief to households facing severe food insecurity, ensuring they had access to nourishment during a time of crisis. By meeting urgent nutritional needs, we helped ease the daily struggles of survival while bringing dignity and comfort to families living under extraordinary hardship.



We Distributed
25,980+
Hot Meal Packs
In 4 Countries



HOUSING & SHELTER

In 2024, Children's Aid supported vulnerable families and individuals by providing essential housing and shelter assistance. Our efforts included rebuilding homes for poor families and working with displaced households to secure temporary shelter and basic household essentials, ensuring they had safe, dignified spaces to live.

By addressing both urgent needs and longer-term housing challenges, our support reduced hardship, restored hope, and created stability for those most at risk. Through these initiatives, we are providing not only shelter but also the foundations for families to rebuild their lives with security, dignity, and resilience.

Bangladesh

Children's Aid supported poor and destitute families in Bangladesh by helping to rebuild their homes. Many of these families were living in unsafe, inadequate conditions, with little protection against the elements. By restoring and rebuilding houses, we provided secure, dignified shelter that not only improved daily living conditions but also gave families a renewed sense of hope and stability. This initiative has eased hardship for some of the most vulnerable households and laid the foundation for safer, healthier, and more resilient futures.



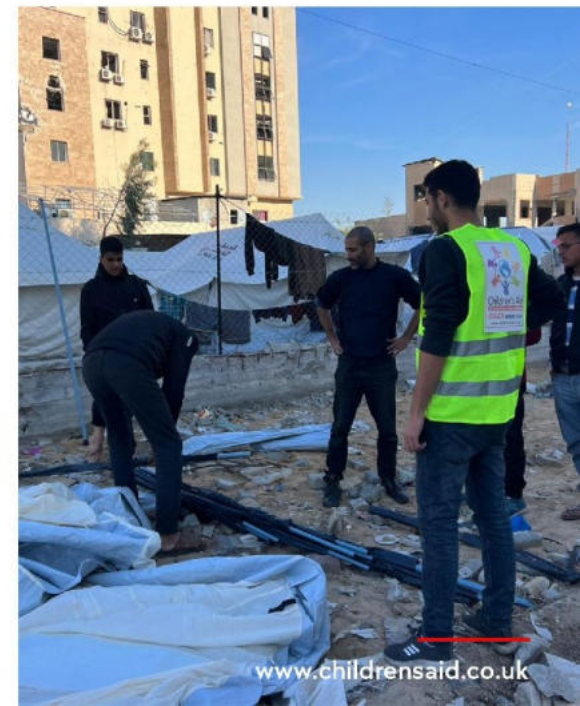
Kenya

Children's Aid provided shelter for children attending madrasah in Kenya, protecting them from the extreme summer heat and ensuring they could learn in comfort and safety. We also funded the construction of a school extension, creating additional classroom space to accommodate more students and strengthen access to education. Alongside this, we carried out essential repairs to existing education facilities, ensuring safe and functional environments for learning.

Through these initiatives, we not only safeguarded children's wellbeing but also improved the quality and accessibility of education, giving young people brighter opportunities for the future.

Gaza

In 2024, Children's Aid provided essential tents for displaced families in Gaza who had lost their homes due to conflict. These shelters offered immediate protection, dignity, and a safe space for families struggling to survive in extremely difficult conditions. By responding quickly to urgent needs, we helped ease the hardship of displacement and gave vulnerable families a measure of stability and security during a time of profound crisis.



CAPACITY BUILDING

In 2024, Children's Aid strengthened its commitment to capacity building by investing in people, partners, and communities to ensure long-term sustainability and impact. We provided training and resources for our staff and volunteers, equipping them with essential skills and knowledge.

Internationally, we supported grassroots organisations and local networks, such as uniting 19 NGOs in Pakistan to coordinate humanitarian aid for Gaza, enhancing collaboration and maximising the reach of humanitarian responses. In the UK, we worked with schools, community groups and faith organisations to deliver workshops that built confidence, communication skills, and social cohesion, empowering marginalised groups to express their identity and participate fully in community life.

By building capacity at every level, from individuals to institutions, we are creating stronger, more resilient communities and ensuring that our programmes deliver lasting change.

UK

Children's Aid worked with schools, faith organisations and community groups to strengthen social cohesion and support vulnerable and marginalised groups. We delivered confidence-building workshops and interactive training sessions designed to empower individuals, foster inclusion, and strengthen local communities.

Through partnerships, we ran a range of impactful community-based programmes that focused on building confidence, communication, and cultural expression. Using storytelling, performance techniques, and personal empowerment, we helped participants reconnect with their identity and share their experiences in meaningful, creative ways. This approach not only nurtured individual growth but also promoted understanding and unity within diverse communities.



Pakistan

Children's Aid brought together 19 NGOs in Pakistan to coordinate humanitarian aid for Gaza. By uniting these organisations under a shared mission, we strengthened collective impact, avoided duplication of efforts, and ensured that vital resources reached those most in need. This collaboration not only expanded the scale and effectiveness of the response but also built stronger networks among local NGOs, enhancing their capacity to deliver coordinated humanitarian assistance in times of crisis.



STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT

The Board of Trustees retains overall responsibility for the strategic direction, oversight, and good governance of Children's Aid. The Trustees ensure that the charity operates with integrity, accountability, and transparency in pursuit of its mission. Executive authority is delegated to the Senior Leadership Team (SLT), comprising the CEO and senior country management teams, who report directly to the Board. This structure ensures the effective delivery of strategic objectives, programme management, and the consistent application of organisational policies and procedures across all operations.

The Trustees meet regularly to review performance, assess risk, and make key decisions on both the strategic and operational priorities of the charity. These include the approval and oversight of humanitarian and development programmes delivered across multiple regions worldwide and within the UK. The Board is also supported by a network of dedicated volunteers and advisers who contribute specialist insight and guidance on specific areas of the charity's work, helping to ensure that Children's Aid continues to deliver aid effectively, ethically, and with lasting impact.

Charity Governance Code

Children's Aid remains firmly committed to upholding the principles of best practice outlined in the Charity Governance Code. The Board of Trustees and Senior Leadership Team continue to strengthen our governance framework to ensure the highest standards of leadership, accountability, and transparency. We operate with a clear focus on serving the best interests of our beneficiaries and stakeholders, ensuring that all decisions and actions reflect our values and mission.

We are dedicated to ongoing self-assessment, regular review, and continuous improvement across all areas of our operations. By embedding these practices, we aim to maintain robust governance structures that enhance effectiveness, ensure integrity, and maximise our impact in the communities we serve.



Public benefit

The Board of Trustees confirms that they have complied with the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit as set out under the Charities Act 2011 and have had due regard to public benefit in the pursuit of Children's Aid's charitable objectives, as described in the Strategic Report.

In reviewing the charity's activities and achievements during the year, the Trustees have concluded that:

- The aims and objectives of the charity remain wholly focused on charitable purposes that deliver clear public benefit.
- The work undertaken by the charity continues to provide both direct and indirect benefit to the charitable sector and, more importantly, to individuals and communities in need.
- The benefits provided are accessible to the public and are not unreasonably restricted in any way.
- There is no evidence of any detriment or harm arising from the charity's activities to any country, society, community, or individual.

The Trustees therefore remain satisfied that Children's Aid continues to meet the public benefit requirements as defined by the Charity Commission and the Charities Act 2011.

Operating Structure

Children's Aid operates across multiple countries through a combination of branch offices and trusted implementation partners. Our branch offices establish a formal Children's Aid presence within each country, taking responsibility for all local operations, compliance, and programme delivery.

In addition to our branch network, we work with a range of independent local implementation partners who deliver aid on our behalf. These partnerships enable us to collaborate directly with frontline responders and community-based organisations that possess deep local knowledge and strong community trust. Through these partners, we are able to implement both short-term emergency relief and long-term development programmes, ensuring that our support reaches those most in need quickly, effectively, and sustainably.

Trustees' responsibility

The Board of Trustees is responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements for each financial year in accordance with the legal and regulatory requirements applicable to registered charities in England and Wales. The Trustees have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (UK GAAP), including United Kingdom Accounting Standards and the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) (FRS 102).

Under charity law, the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its income and the application of its resources. In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles set out in the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- Make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures being disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to assume that the charity will continue its operations.

The Board of Trustees is also responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records that accurately reflect the charity's transactions and disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any given time, the financial position of the charity. This ensures that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. The Trustees are further responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and for taking reasonable steps to prevent and detect fraud or other irregularities.

As far as each Trustee is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charity's auditor is unaware. Each Trustee has taken all necessary steps to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to ensure that the charity's auditor is aware of that information.

Guided by the founding principles of Children's Aid, the Board of Trustees has exercised due diligence and care in protecting the integrity, assets, and reputation of the charity. The Trustees have reviewed and approved the financial statements for publication in accordance with UK legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements.

Risk

Children's Aid remains committed to strengthening its culture of accountability and resilience by embedding effective risk management across all aspects of its operations. As part of our ongoing journey we recognise that proactive risk management is essential to safeguarding the charity's reputation, assets, and mission.

The Board of Trustees and Senior Leadership Team maintain regular oversight of organisational risks, reviewing them periodically as part of their strategic and operational management responsibilities. Risk management forms an integral part of decision-making processes, ensuring that humanitarian operations, particularly those delivered in complex or high-risk regions, are conducted safely, efficiently, and with due diligence.

The Board has delegated responsibility for day-to-day risk oversight to the Senior Leadership Team, which monitors and assesses major risks relating to operations, income generation, finance, compliance, and programme delivery. Findings and recommendations are reported to the Board for review and action.

Trustees also assess risks by category, likelihood, and potential impact, ensuring that appropriate mitigation measures are implemented and regularly updated in line with changing circumstances. Through this structured and ongoing approach, the Board remains satisfied that Children's Aid has robust systems, controls, and procedures in place to identify, monitor, and manage the principal risks facing the charity.



INCOME GENERATION & MARKETING

Our achievements would not have been possible without the unwavering generosity and trust of our donors and supporters. Maintaining and strengthening these relationships remains central to our mission, as our income generation and marketing activities provide the essential foundation for sustaining and expanding our humanitarian work.

Thanks to the continued support of our donors, we have been able to fund vital programmes that deliver meaningful and lasting change in the lives of those we serve. Our fundraising efforts span a diverse range of approaches, including social media campaigns, community events, public collections, WhatsApp appeals, and website-based fundraising. These initiatives not only generate crucial income but also help us build deeper connections with grassroots supporters while engaging new audiences.

While our digital fundraising journey is still developing, it represents a key area of future growth, and we are actively investing in its potential to broaden our reach and impact. We remain fully committed to transparency, accountability, and integrity in all fundraising activities, ensuring that every campaign reflects the values and mission of Children's Aid.

All fundraising activities are carefully planned, monitored, and managed in line with our internal policies and relevant regulatory requirements. We are pleased to report that no fundraising complaints were received during the year, and should any issues arise, we are committed to addressing them promptly, fairly, and responsibly.

Fundraising in Ramadan

Ramadan is a deeply meaningful time for Children's Aid and our donor community, a period marked by compassion, reflection, and generosity. In 2024, we implemented a targeted Ramadan fundraising strategy designed to harness the spirit of giving and raise essential funds for our humanitarian programmes.

Our flagship campaigns, including Ramadan Rations and Orphanage Support, resonated strongly with supporters, enabling us to deliver vital food aid and ongoing care for vulnerable children. These initiatives not only provided immediate relief but also strengthened the bond between our donors and the communities we serve.

Recognising the continued importance of this sacred month, we are committed to further developing and refining our Ramadan appeal strategy in the years ahead, ensuring our campaigns remain thoughtful, transparent, and impactful, while maximising the collective generosity of our supporters.



Philanthropy

We recognise that building a strong network of long-term donors is vital to sustaining and expanding our humanitarian work. To achieve this, we are developing a comprehensive donor engagement strategy focused on identifying, nurturing, and retaining key supporters who share our vision for lasting impact.

Through tailored communication, personalised donation support, and regular updates on our programmes and achievements, we aim to create meaningful and enduring relationships between our donors and our mission. By deepening this connection, we hope to inspire continued generosity and long-term commitment to the communities we serve.

We remain profoundly grateful to our supporters for their ongoing trust and compassion, which enable us to deliver life-changing assistance to those most in need.

Marketing Platforms

Facebook Instagram WhatsApp Website Events



GRANT MAKING

Children's Aid's grant making activities form a central part of our work, enabling us to deliver impactful programmes that align with our core objectives and grant-making policy. The Senior Leadership Team develops and oversees key programme areas, including Ramadan, Qurbani, Humanitarian Aid, Livelihood Support, Education, Healthcare, Food Insecurity, Water and Sanitation, Orphan Support, Housing and Shelter, and Emergency Appeals based on identified community needs and annual strategic plans. Our grant-making approach ensures that funding decisions are targeted, transparent, and focused on delivering sustainable outcomes for the communities we serve.

In addition to implementing charitable projects directly through our Branch Office in Pakistan, Children's Aid collaborates with carefully selected implementation partners operating on a country or project-specific basis. Partner selection is guided by clear criteria, including technical expertise, local presence, delivery capacity, and alignment with our values and objectives.

Before formalising any grant, Children's Aid conducts a comprehensive appraisal of both the proposed project and the implementing partner. A formal grant agreement is then established, setting out the partnership framework, delivery standards, reporting requirements, and adherence to our safeguarding, financial, and ethical policies. Each grant is monitored and evaluated proportionately to its scale and risk level, ensuring accountability and performance against agreed outcomes. Should a partner fail to meet required standards, Children's Aid reserves the right to withhold or discontinue funding.

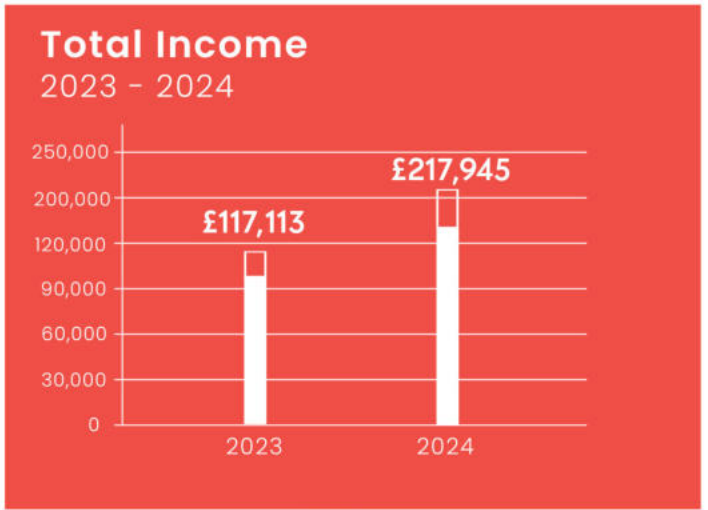
Following a full review of the year's activity, the Board of Trustees is satisfied that the organisation's grant making policy remains robust, transparent, and effective. We remain fully committed to ensuring that all grant funded activities uphold our mission, reflect our values, and deliver lasting, positive impact for those most in need.



FINANCIAL REVIEW

2024 marked another strong and positive year for Children's Aid, representing our third full year of operations and continued growth in both reach and financial performance. During the year, we raised £203,195 in direct donations, supplemented by an additional £14,429 in Gift Aid contributions. This brought our total income to £217,945, representing an impressive 86% increase from £117,113 in 2023.

Over the same period, £196,717 (up from £81,944 in 2023) was invested directly into programmes providing essential aid around the world, including responses to natural disasters, food and water relief, education initiatives, and orphan support. This consistent investment underscores our commitment to maximising the impact of every pound donated.



Children's Aid receives both restricted and unrestricted funds. Restricted funds include Zakat donations, which are distributed strictly in accordance with our Zakat Policy to support only Zakat-eligible individuals, as well as donations earmarked by supporters for specific purposes such as orphan care or livelihood programmes. These funds are managed separately to ensure they are used precisely as intended, maintaining full transparency and accountability to our donors.

General support and administrative costs are an essential part of operating an effective, compliant, and resilient organisation. These costs cover staff, systems, IT, and other core infrastructure that enable the efficient delivery of aid. We maintain a careful balance between minimising overheads and investing in robust systems that strengthen operational capability. Importantly, all administrative, IT, and overhead expenses are currently fully funded by Gift Aid contributions, meaning 100% of direct donations continue to go directly towards charitable programmes and activities.

The Trustees consider the charity's unrestricted general reserves to be at an appropriate level to sustain ongoing operations in accordance with the Reserves Policy. No significant amounts were designated for specific purposes during the reporting period, and in the event of a downturn in funding, the Trustees are confident that existing reserves would be sufficient to maintain current levels of charitable activity.

Children's Aid also prioritises a responsive and flexible approach to emergencies, ensuring that aid can be deployed swiftly wherever it is most needed. Surplus funds are placed in a reserve account, ensuring sustainability and supporting our capacity to deliver future programmes and emergency responses effectively.

**Children's Aid invested
Over £196,717
(up from £81,944 in 2023)**

Donation Collections

Direct Donations	£203,195
Gift Aid	£14,429
Total Income	£217,945



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds £	Last Year Funds £
Receipts					
Donations	103,473	99,722	-	203,195	95,601
Gift aid	14,429	-	-	14,429	21,425
Bank interest	321	-	-	321	87
SUB TOTAL	118,223	99,722	-	217,945	117,113
Asset and Investment sales					
SUB TOTAL	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL RECEIPTS	118,223	99,722	-	217,945	117,113
Payments					
Charities activities	110,090	84,000	-	194,090	75,674
Wages	-	-	-	-	1,420
Legal and professional	348	-	-	348	1,927
Insurance	392	-	-	392	383
Telephone	468	-	-	468	359
Advert	241	-	-	241	284
Repairs	42	-	-	42	203
Bank charges	393	-	-	393	424
Computer expenses	156	-	-	156	604
Subscriptions	434	-	-	434	367
Motor and travel	98	-	-	98	90
Printing postage & stationery	56	-	-	56	209
SUB TOTAL	112,717	84,000	-	196,717	81,944
Asset and Investment purchases					
SUB TOTAL	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL PAYMENTS	112,717	84,000	-	196,717	81,944



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES



	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds £	Last Year Funds £
Receipts					
NET OF RECEIPTS / (PAYMENTS)	5,506	15,722	-	21,228	35,169
A5 TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS	-	-	-	-	-
A6 CASH FUNDS LAST YEAR END	51,645	-	-	51,645	16,485
CASH FUNDS THIS YEAR END	57,151	15,722	-	72,873	51,654

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
Cash funds	Bank	72,873	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
SUB TOTAL		72,873	-	-

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES



Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Investment assets				
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
Liabilities				
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

SIGNED BY ONE OR TWO TRUSTEES ON BEHALF OF ALL THE TRUSTEES	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		Abdul Sattar	10/23/2025

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT



Section A

Report to the trustees/ members of

On accounts for the year ended

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Responsibilities and basis of report

Independent auditor's statement

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or body (if any):

Address

Independent Auditor's Report

CHILDREN'S AID

31 DECEMBER 2024

Charity No (If Any)

1196869

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2024.

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, have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed

M. A. Majeed

Date

25/10/2025

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Pakistan childrens sweaters for winter
Pakistan village well build
Kenya madrasah support

Pakistan water filtration plant
Syria earthquake support
Bangladesh orphan clothes

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Morocco winter support
Pakistan village well build
Bangladesh wudu facilities build

Bangladesh/Kenya ration packs
Pakistan Iftar meals
India orphanage support

Pakistan medical treatment
Bangladesh widow clothes
Kenya madrasah clothes

Kenya madrasah shoes
Orphan Eid meals Kenya, Bangladesh and India
Pakistan village well build

MAY

JUNE

JULY

AUG

Bangladesh house build
Pakistan hospital stretchers
Qurbani, Pakistan, India and Kenya

Pakistan medical treatment
Bangladesh/India orphans support
Bangladesh house build

Kenya livelihood support
Morocco earthquake support
Pakistan village hand pump build

Pakistan skills centre
Gaza humanitarian aid
Pakistan medical treatment

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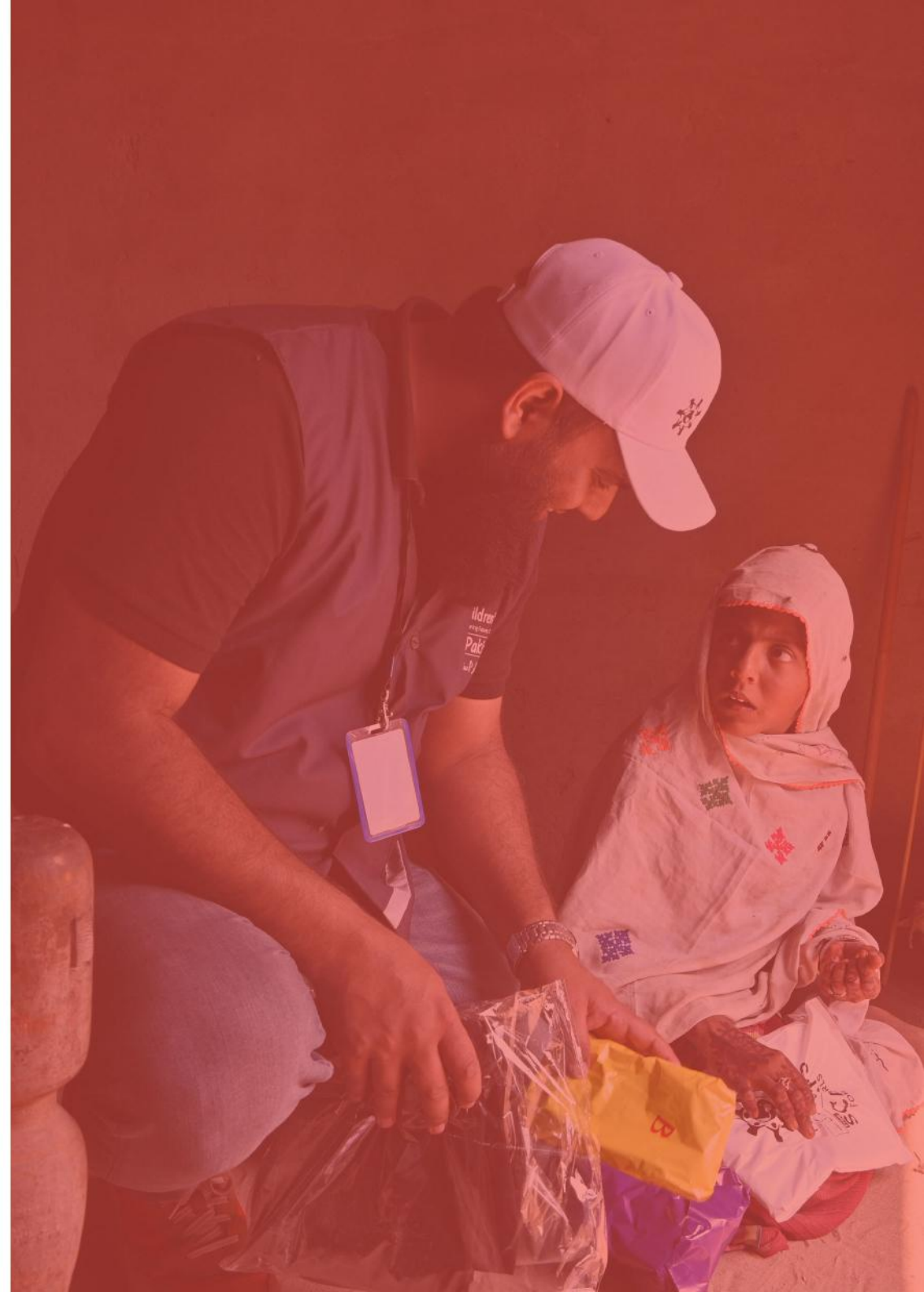
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Tanzania orphanage support
Pakistan village well build

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Message from the Chair of Trustees



In **2023**, we faced numerous **global crises**, from natural disasters to humanitarian emergencies.

It is with great pleasure that we present our 2023 Annual Report, marking another milestone year for Children's Aid. Two years since our establishment, the organisation remains steadfast in its mission to serve humanity. Grounded in our Islamic values and driven by the trust of our generous partners, donors, and supporters from the United Kingdom and beyond, we are deeply grateful to everyone who has enabled us to deliver aid to some of the world's most vulnerable populations, often in the most challenging environments.

In 2023, I had the honour of being appointed **Chair of Trustees**, and, together with the senior leadership team, we have been entrusted with the responsibility of fostering a culture that embodies our core values while continuing to enhance our systems, policies, procedures, and governance oversight.

This past year has been one of growth and transformation for Children's Aid. In alignment with our strategic vision, we have started establishing key elements of our IT, social media, and infrastructure support functions overseas, and while there is still progress to be made, we are already seeing significant benefits and efficiencies from this initiative. This development is critical to our ongoing growth and will provide a strong foundation for expanding our delivery capabilities in the years to come.

A significant highlight of 2023 was the launch of our **first overseas skills centre**, dedicated to educating and empowering young people with the tools they need to succeed, improve their futures, and help lift their families out of poverty. I was privileged to visit this centre, along with several other projects we supported, and I was both humbled and inspired by the tangible impact our work is making in people's lives. InshaAllah, may this continue for many years to come.

However, 2023 also witnessed the outbreak of the devastating **war in Palestine**, followed by the humanitarian **crisis in Gaza**. We have continued to expand our efforts in the region, delivering aid to those affected by this heartbreaking situation.

On behalf of the Board, the Leadership Team, our dedicated staff, and the entire Children's Aid family, I extend our deepest gratitude to our partners, donors, supporters, and volunteers across the globe. Your unwavering trust, commitment, and loyalty empower us to continue our work with passion and dedication, ensuring that we can reach those most in need.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nadeem Mian".

Nadeem Mian
Chair of the Board of Trustees

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Nadeem Mian, Chair of the Board of Trustees



Message from the Chief Executive



We **turned compassion** into action, reaching those in need and making a lasting impact in **2023**.

We are profoundly grateful to those of you who have supported Children's Aid from the very beginning. Your generosity has helped us transform and save thousands of lives in some of the most disadvantaged communities around the world.

In a year marked by **floods, earthquakes, famine, and war**, the work of Children's Aid and our partners has become more critical than ever. These growing humanitarian challenges expose the vulnerability of those we serve and the immense difficulties faced by those striving to help them. It is a testament to our dedicated team and a sign of divine blessing that we continue to provide essential support to those in greatest need.

The destruction and refugee crisis in Gaza have reached unprecedented levels, leaving families traumatised, exhausted, and without basic necessities. In response, Children's Aid has quickly mobilised to establish a support network, delivering much-needed **food, water, and medical aid** to the affected population. Similarly, the ongoing crises in Syria, exacerbated by the recent earthquake, have caused devastation across the region. Through our partnerships with other humanitarian organisations, we have delivered life-saving support to those impacted. We again responded to the devastating earthquake in Morocco with humanitarian aid and assistance to affected families.

We continued our efforts throughout Ramadhan, launching appeals and delivering essential ration packs to vulnerable families in **Bangladesh, Pakistan, and Kenya**. These efforts brought much-needed relief to those struggling with hunger and uncertainty, ensuring they had the necessary food supplies during the holy month. Our team worked tirelessly to reach as many communities as possible, reflecting our commitment to supporting those in need and the generosity of our donors who made this possible.

In the UK, our teams have worked tirelessly to raise awareness and engage our donors, ensuring continued fundraising efforts. Our field teams, particularly in Kenya, Bangladesh, and Pakistan, have also made extraordinary efforts to deliver **Zakat and Sadaqah** to those most in need, bringing relief to countless lives.

Although we face many obstacles, we are still on a path of growth. We have worked hard to establish and expand our operations both in the UK and abroad, while simultaneously investing in and strengthening our governance functions. This ensures that our operations are monitored effectively, resources are used responsibly, and both our staff and beneficiaries remain safe.

As we enter **2024**, we renew our commitment to being the charity of choice for our loyal donors. We are planning to expand our IT infrastructure and web support team, extend our overseas orphanage support programme, launch an educational initiative for children, and enhance our skills training institute for young women. These programmes are essential in fostering long term resilience and creating sustainable opportunities for communities in need. By strengthening our infrastructure, supporting vulnerable children, and equipping young women with skills and education, we aim to lay the foundation for a brighter future where individuals can thrive and build pathways out of poverty.

In the face of immense challenges, the selflessness, resilience, and dedication of Children's Aid staff and partners continue to inspire us. Their belief in our mission and unwavering commitment drive us forward in our pursuit of a just and harmonious world, where every person can realise their potential with dignity.

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Saleem Ali
Chief Executive



Guided by compassion, driven by impact - **our vision, values, and strategy** shape a better future for all.

As a faith-based organisation inspired by Islamic values, **Children's Aid** is dedicated to improving the lives of those in need, with a particular focus on children and empowering individuals to break the cycle of poverty. We work with various communities, regardless of race, religion, or gender, to serve the poor and impoverished, alleviating suffering and fostering long term development.

OUR VISION

Our vision is to serve the poor and alleviate poverty, regardless of race, religion, or gender, with a special emphasis on improving the lives of children. We **empower individuals and communities** to break the cycle of poverty and build sustainable futures.

OUR VALUES

Our values provide a framework that ensures we remain accountable to our donors, supporters, stakeholders, and beneficiaries. These values also help to shape and guide our organisation, ensuring we remain focused on our vision:

Honesty & Accountability



We aim to be honest and open in all we do, holding ourselves accountable for our actions before being held accountable by others. Transparent communication is key, ensuring our supporters are kept informed about projects and how we use resources.

Trust & Integrity



We believe every person has the right to live with dignity and respect. All our staff, volunteers, and partners are expected to act responsibly and work professionally with integrity, gaining the respect and trust of those we serve and those who support us.

Justice & Compassion



We are dedicated to working justly, distributing aid equally regardless of faith, race, or gender. Compassion is central to all our efforts, as we strive to ease the suffering of people unconditionally, no matter who they are or where they come from.

OUR STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

Children's Aid is committed to achieving the following objectives, which are exclusively for the public benefit:

Deliver Effective Emergency Response

We want to ensure rapid, effective response to emergencies, providing humanitarian relief to those affected by natural or man made disasters. Our goal is to build a delivery network capable of responding effectively to humanitarian crises while simultaneously developing the capacity to link relief efforts with long-term sustainable development.

Support Orphans and Orphanages

We want to provide care, education, and support to orphans, ensuring they grow in a safe, nurturing environment. Our goal is to support orphanages, providing essential supplies, and facilitating access to healthcare and education. We strive to give these children the opportunities they need to flourish.

Provide Access to Safe, Clean Drinking Water

We want to ensure that communities in impoverished, war torn and drought-affected areas have access to safe and clean drinking water and sanitation. Our goal is to build wells, install water filtration systems, and provide access to water to improve overall health and wellbeing.



Secure Sustainable Livelihoods for Marginalised Communities

In regions where poverty is extreme, we want to focus on empowering communities by restoring livelihood opportunities and improving income generation. Our goal is to provide access to funding, training, and skills that support the creation of new opportunities, enabling individuals to build sustainable livelihoods and break the cycle of poverty.

Improve Access to Education

We want to provide marginalised children with access to education, aiming to enable more children to attend school. Our goal is to break the cycle of poverty by empowering children through learning, creating brighter futures for generations to come. Through education, we seek to open doors to opportunities, fostering growth, knowledge, and the ability for these children to transform their communities.

Enhance Maternal and Child Healthcare (MNCH) Services








We want to improve access to essential healthcare services for the poorest and most vulnerable communities. Our goals include setting up medical camps to provide access to doctors and consultants, supporting treatments, and ensuring access to medications.





WHAT WE DO

Working in **over 10 countries** through our branch offices and partners across Africa, Asia and Europe, Children's Aid strives to help those with limited resources overcome the suffering endured due to natural and other disasters, and a lack of basic necessities. We work with all those in need, regardless of their faith, race, ethnicity, age and ability. Whilst responding to emergencies is one of our major priorities, we also work on strategic programmes to eliminate poverty by focusing upon:

-  Humanitarian/Emergency Response
-  Education
-  Healthcare
-  Water & Sanitation
-  Food Insecurity
-  Orphan Support
-  Livelihood

Our overarching aim is to ensure that individuals can have access to basic necessities and the skills required to generate an income so that they are not permanently dependent on aid agencies for shelter, food and clothing.

OUR OUTLOOK

As we look toward the future, we remain focused on expanding our overseas orphanage support programme, launching educational initiatives for children, and expanding our skills training institute for young women. **With the support of our donors** and partners, we are committed to continuing our mission to help those most in need, creating lasting, positive change in the world's most disadvantaged communities.

By working together, we can transform lives and build a brighter future for all.

HOW WE MONITOR & REPORT

Transparency is one of our key defining and underlying values at Children's Aid. Through regular monitoring, detailed project updates, case studies, and the dedication of our teams, we ensure our values and objectives are clearly demonstrated in all aspects of our work. Whether it's responding to humanitarian emergencies, providing access to education, supporting orphanages, or fostering sustainable livelihoods, we remain steadfast in our commitment to making a tangible difference.

Our approach to monitoring and reporting is rooted in the principles of accountability, ensuring that every donor can see the impact of their support. We track the progress of our programmes and initiatives to ensure they align with our goals and mission. In doing so, we highlight how our values—honesty, compassion, justice, and integrity—are reflected in our actions.

By maintaining open communication and sharing our achievements, Children's Aid remains a transparent and accountable organisation to all our stakeholders, ensuring that our work inspires and fosters positive, lasting change.

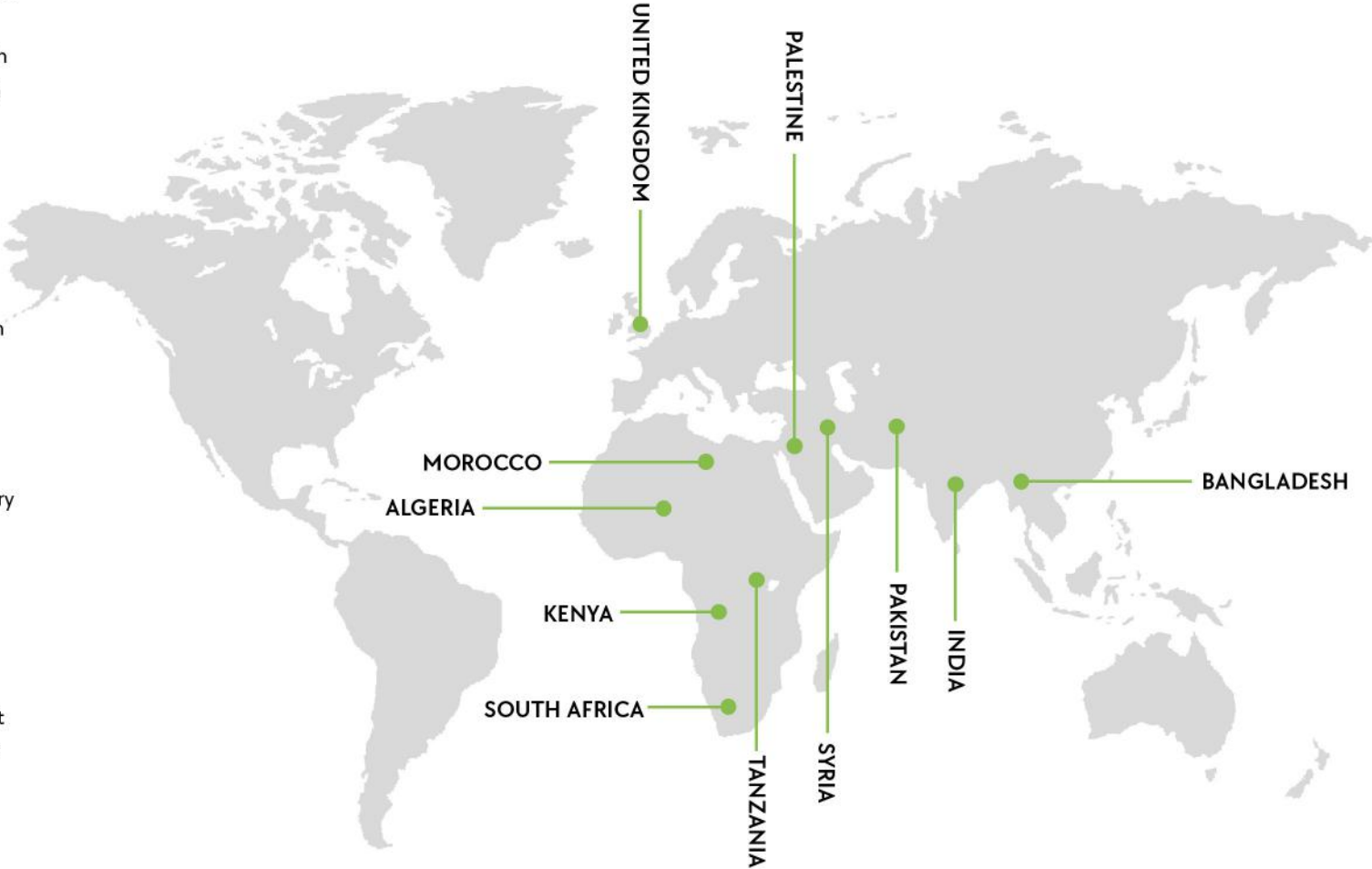
Overall, in 2023, through our Programmes and Initiatives,

WE SPENT OVER £81,944 TO DIRECTLY IMPACT 15,924 PEOPLE BY DELIVERING 67 PROJECTS.



WHERE WE WORK

Children's Aid operates in numerous countries, partnering with local and international organisations to deliver life-saving support. Whether it's providing emergency relief in Gaza, helping families in **Bangladesh, Pakistan, and Kenya** during Ramadhan, or working on long-term development projects in areas like education and healthcare, we are dedicated to making a meaningful difference. Children's Aid operates through a network of overseas branch offices and local partners. Branch offices are funded through a combination of their own income generation initiatives (such as grants and donations secured in-country from public and institutional donors and grant funders) in addition to funding from the United Kingdom main office derived from public fundraising. The UK Office liaises with the local branch office staff to help develop and monitor the programme activity. We operate in Pakistan through a branch office and in Kenya, Bangladesh and Palestine, through various partners where we do not have a country presence.



WHO WE WORK WITH

The number of community-based humanitarian organisations that Children's Aid works with has grown over time. We are committed to a **partnership-based approach** to poverty eradication and empowerment.

OUR PARTNERSHIPS

We believe in working collaboratively with a network of like-minded organisations and community groups. Through partnerships with **other charities, agencies, and local grassroots organisations**, we extend our reach and strengthen our impact. Together, we are building a world where everyone can live with dignity, justice, and opportunity.

 Palestine	 Pakistan	 India	 Bangladesh	 Morocco
 Kenya	 South Africa	 Tanzania	 UK	 Algeria

OUR ACHIEVEMENT & PERFORMANCE IN 2023

2023 saw us continue to build on the progress of previous years, developing new programs and strategies to address the increasingly volatile situations emerging globally.

Projects Delivered	67
Countries Served	10
People Benefitted	15,924
Amount Spent	£81,944 (tbc)



KEY PROJECT AREAS



Food Insecurity

We work to combat food insecurity by providing access to nutritious meals for vulnerable individuals and families. Our programs include emergency food aid and ration programs. By addressing immediate hunger needs and promoting long-term food security, we help build healthier, more resilient communities.



Water & Sanitation

We address water and sanitation needs by providing communities with access to clean, safe drinking water and improved sanitation facilities. Our programs focus on building and maintaining wells, installing filtration systems, and promoting hygiene education to prevent disease. By empowering communities with sustainable solutions, we help improve health, reduce waterborne illnesses, and create a foundation for lasting well-being.



Orphan Support

We offer support for orphans and vulnerable children, ensuring they have safe shelter, nutritious meals, access to education, and supportive environments. Our programs work closely with orphanages, to provide essentials like food, clothing, education, healthcare, and skills training. By creating a supportive foundation, we empower these children to thrive, fostering resilience and hope for a brighter future.





Humanitarian Aid

We provide rapid response to communities affected by emergencies, including natural disasters, conflict, and displacement. Our focus is on delivering immediate relief to those most in need, providing critical aid such as food, shelter, medical supplies, and other essential services. Our teams work tirelessly to alleviate the suffering of those impacted, helping restore hope for a brighter future.



14

Projects



5

Countries



1,802

People Served



Livelihoods

Our primary goal is to empower vulnerable communities toward self-sufficiency and resilience. Through skills training, financial assistance, and entrepreneurship support, these programs help individuals and families generate income and enhance their economic well-being. With a focus on sustainable development, we equip people with the tools and resources needed to build better futures for themselves and their families.



3

Projects



2

Countries



29

People Served



Education

We enhance access to education and promote learning for children and young adults. Our programs support not only students but also their families, teachers, and schools. This includes providing school supplies, teacher salaries, infrastructure improvements, primary and secondary education support and vocational training. By doing so, we are helping build stronger, more resilient communities and breaking the cycle of poverty.



4

Projects



3

Countries



281

People Served



Healthcare

We provide access to quality healthcare and promote healthy living in vulnerable communities. This includes medical services and treatments, along with essential medical supplies, and support. By improving access to quality healthcare, we help enhance the overall well-being of communities, especially the most vulnerable.



5

Projects



2

Countries



29

People Served



OVERVIEW OF OUR WORK IN 2023

A year of impactful change: delivering **life-saving aid**, empowering communities, and transforming lives across regions in **need**.

SUMMARY

In 2023, Children's Aid achieved significant milestones in addressing urgent needs across some of the world's most vulnerable communities. Through a robust portfolio of programs, we continued our work in critical areas, focusing on **education, healthcare, water and sanitation, food security, and livelihood support**. Our seasonal initiatives, such as the Ramadan Rations and Qurbani programs, provided essential support during key times of the year, allowing families to observe traditions and meet their daily needs. Additionally, our Orphan Support program delivered vital resources, emotional support, and education to children without families, giving them a foundation for a brighter future.

Our Humanitarian Aid program responded swiftly to emergencies, including natural disasters and conflicts, providing immediate relief through food, medical care, and shelter for affected communities. With an emphasis on sustainability, we enhanced our livelihood initiatives, helping individuals and families build self-sufficiency through skills training and financial assistance.

In 2023, we expanded partnerships with local organisations and improved monitoring processes to ensure program integrity and transparency. This growth was only possible through the generous support of our donors and supporters, whose contributions have enabled us to extend our reach, develop impactful solutions, and foster lasting change in the communities we serve. Together, we are building stronger, healthier, and more resilient communities.

In 2023, we began laying the groundwork for our IT and marketing support functions, aiming to enhance our operational efficiency and outreach. Additionally, we proudly launched our **first Skills and Education Centre in Pakistan**, designed to provide vital training and educational resources to empower local communities. This centre will focus on equipping individuals with the skills needed for sustainable livelihoods, fostering personal growth, and contributing to the overall development of the region. These initiatives mark significant steps toward our commitment to capacity building and community empowerment.



HUMANITARIAN PROGRAMME

In 2023 Children's Aid's Humanitarian Aid program provided immediate relief to communities affected by crises, such as natural disasters, conflicts, and displacement. Our focus was on delivering essential support, including food, shelter, medical supplies, and other critical resources, to those in urgent need. Through rapid response teams and partnerships, we aimed to alleviate suffering, restore hope, and help communities begin the path to recovery and resilience.

Morocco

Support to earthquake victims and families

Children's Aid supported the victims and families affected by the earthquake in Morocco. Our program focused on delivering relief, including shelter and winter supplies, to those in urgent need. We worked closely with local partners to provide ongoing assistance, helping communities rebuild their lives and restore hope in the aftermath of this devastating disaster.



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Pakistan

Children's sweaters for winter

Ahead of the harsh winter in Northern Pakistan, Children's Aid launched the "Children's Sweaters for Winter" initiative to provide warm clothing to vulnerable children facing harsh winter conditions. This program aims to ensure that children from low income families have access to essential warmth during the cold months. Through generous donations and community partnerships, we distributed sweaters and other winter clothing items to help keep these children safe and comfortable, allowing them to focus on their education and wellbeing. This initiative not only addresses immediate needs but also fosters a sense of care and support within the community.



Palestine

Supporting those affected by the conflict in Gaza Children's Aid was proud to partner with Islamic Relief and Human Appeal to provide crucial support to vulnerable communities in Palestine, following the conflict in Gaza. Through this collaboration, we delivered essential services, including food assistance, healthcare, and emergency support, aimed at alleviating the hardships faced by families in the region.

By leveraging the expertise and resources of our partners, we aimed to create a more significant impact by addressing urgent humanitarian needs. This collaborative approach allowed us to pool knowledge and capabilities, ensuring that our efforts were effective and responsive to the challenges faced by affected communities, ultimately striving to improve the lives of those in desperate situations.



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Syria

Support to earthquake victims and families

Children's Aid proudly **partnered with leading charities Syria Relief and Human Relief Foundation** to enhance our collective impact in supporting vulnerable communities affected by the devastating earthquake in Syria. Through this collaboration, we were able to provide essential humanitarian aid, including food, shelter and medical support. By working together with these established organisations, we leveraged our strengths and resources to deliver assistance to those in need, helping to restore hope and rebuild lives in the region.



Bangladesh

Children's Aid is dedicated to improving the living conditions of vulnerable families in Bangladesh through our House Build initiative. This program focuses on constructing safe and sustainable housing for low income and destitute families living in inadequate or unsafe environments. By providing essential shelter, we aim to enhance the health and well being of families, allowing them to build a future in a secure and stable home. Through the generosity of our supporters, we are helping to create lasting change and hope for families in Bangladesh.

Before



After



Children's Aid Support Over 50 Widows in Bangladesh



Children's Aid's Widow Support Programme in Bangladesh provides essential aid to impoverished widows, supplying them with clothing and rations. This programme helps ease the daily burdens these women face, ensuring they have access to basic necessities and feel supported during difficult times.

EDUCATION PROGRAMME

Children's Aid's Education program aims to improve access to learning for children and young adults in low income and vulnerable communities. The program provides essential resources, including access to elementary education, school supplies, teacher salaries, infrastructure improvements, and financial support for higher education. By supporting students, families, teachers, and schools, we help build stronger, more resilient communities and break the cycle of poverty through education.

Kenya

Supporting learning Children's Aid is dedicated to fostering education and community development through our Madrasah initiative in Kenya. This program enhances educational opportunities for children in underserved areas by providing access to quality Islamic education. Our support not only facilitates essential learning for children of all ages but also includes the provision of cooked meals, often serving as the only daily meal for many.

Located in Kibera, one of Kenya's largest slums, our Madrassah project, established and run by Brother Jamal Lali and his wife since 2015, is a beacon of hope for impoverished children in the surrounding areas. By offering basic education and nutritious meals, we aim to empower over 300 children who attend regularly, helping to shape a brighter future through education and



Pakistan

Supporting disabilities Children's Aid is dedicated to supporting the educational aspirations of individuals with disabilities, exemplified by our initiative to provide university fees for a blind girl pursuing her higher education. This program aims to eliminate financial barriers, enabling her to access quality education and pursue her dreams. By covering tuition and related expenses, we empower her to develop the skills and knowledge necessary for a successful future.

Our support not only facilitates her academic journey but also promotes inclusivity and equal opportunities for all students, regardless of their challenges. Through the generosity of our donors, we are helping to transform lives and create pathways for success for individuals with disabilities.

Paying school fees Children's Aid is committed to ensuring that every child has access to education, regardless of their financial circumstances. Our initiative to provide school fees for children in need aims to eliminate barriers to education, enabling them to attend school and pursue their academic goals. By covering tuition fees and related expenses, we empower families to invest in their children's futures without the burden of financial strain.

This support not only helps children gain essential knowledge and skills but also fosters a sense of hope and opportunity in their communities. Through the generosity of our donors, we strive to create a brighter future for children, encouraging them to dream big and achieve their potential through education.



In 2023, we spent over
£3,765
on education programmes

We have paid fees for numerous school and college students as well as providing them with books, uniforms and accessories.

2023 saw Children's Aid launched its first skills institute in Pakistan. The institute was designed to empower individuals with the practical skills and training necessary for sustainable livelihoods. This initiative focuses on providing vocational training in various fields, including sewing, tailoring, computer literacy, and IT skills. By equipping participants with essential skills, we aim to enhance their employability and self-sufficiency.

The Skills Institute not only addresses the immediate needs of individuals seeking better job opportunities but also contributes to the overall economic development of the community. Through hands-on training and mentorship, participants gain confidence and the ability to create a better future for themselves and their families. Our commitment to this program is made possible by the hard work and dedication of our country manager, staff and generous support of our donors, who help us transform lives through education and skill development.



Over 300 young women a year will benefit from **Children's Aid Stitching Center**

Children's Aid were proud to open our first **Skill Institute** in 2023



QURBANI PROGRAMME

Children's Aid's Qurbani program provides fresh meat to vulnerable communities during the time of Eid al-Adha, allowing families in need to participate in this important tradition. Our initiative is designed to ensure that those facing food insecurity can partake in this significant religious observance, fostering a sense of belonging and community spirit.

Pakistan

In Pakistan, we distributed Qurbani meat to families in underserved areas. We worked closely with communities to identify the most vulnerable households, ensuring that the meat reached those who may otherwise go without. This effort not only provided essential nutrition but also allowed families to celebrate Eid al-Adha with dignity and joy.



Children's Aid distributed nutritional meat to 4 Countries

Kenya

In Kenya, we recognised the challenges faced by impoverished communities during Eid al-Adha. Our program focused on delivering fresh Qurbani meat to families in the Kibera slums and surrounding areas. Through local partnerships, we were able to facilitate the distribution and also included children from local orphanages in our efforts. This initiative not only addressed immediate food needs but also fostered community solidarity and support.



India

In India, our Qurbani program extended its reach to various regions, including remote villages where access to fresh food is limited. We partnered with local organisations to streamline the distribution process, ensuring that the Qurbani meat was delivered promptly to families, including those living in orphanages. By including orphaned children in our distribution efforts, we helped provide them with the nourishment and festive spirit they often miss during this important holiday.



Bangladesh

Children's Aid's Qurbani programme in Bangladesh focuses on providing fresh, nutritious meat to orphanages and needy families during Eid al-Adha. Through this initiative, we ensure vulnerable children and families can partake in this significant tradition, fostering community support and improving food security for those who need it most.

By promoting food security and bringing communities together in celebration and support, our Qurbani program makes a meaningful impact during Eid al-Adha. We are grateful for the generosity of our donors, which enables us to continue these vital efforts across Pakistan, India, Bangladesh and Kenya, ensuring that the spirit of giving and togetherness is felt by all.

 Reaching Over 4,965 People

RAMADHAN PROGRAMME

Children's Aid Ramadhan program provides essential food packs and support to vulnerable communities, helping families observe the holy month with adequate nourishment. Through our Ramadhan Rations initiative, we distributed food supplies to those in need, ensuring they have enough to sustain them for iftar and suhoor. This program fosters community support and addresses food insecurity during this sacred time of increased giving and reflection.

UK

In the UK Children's Aid committed to supporting vulnerable communities during Ramadhan by providing Iftari in collaboration with Tooting Community Kitchen. This partnership enables us to offer nutritious, freshly cooked meals to individuals and families facing food insecurity, ensuring they can break their fast with dignity.

Our initiative focuses on reaching low income families, the elderly, and homeless individuals in the community. By distributing these meals we not only addressed immediate hunger but also foster a sense of belonging and unity among community members.

We are grateful for the support from Tooting Community Kitchen and our generous donors, which allows us to make a meaningful impact during this sacred month. Together, we help ensure that everyone can partake in the spirit of Ramadan without the burden of hunger.



Children's Aid Supported

1,300+

People with Daily Hot Meals In
Ramadan

Pakistan

Supporting impoverished families Children's Aid's Ramadhan Ration program in Pakistan focuses on providing essential support to vulnerable communities during the holy month. Key activities include distributing food packs and providing Iftari meals to ensure families can partake in traditional practices. The program aims to alleviate food insecurity, foster community spirit, and promote the values of generosity and compassion inherent in Ramadhan. Through our local office we ensured that assistance reached those most in need, helping to improve their well being and bring joy during this significant time.



Kenya

Ramadhan support Children's Aid Ramadhan Ration Program in Kenya aims to support vulnerable families during the holy month by providing essential food supplies. The program distributes ration packs containing staple items such as rice, flour, beans, and cooking oil to ensure that families can break their fast with nutritious meals. This initiative addresses food insecurity and helps alleviate the burden on low income households, allowing them to participate fully in Ramadhan traditions. By partnering with local organisations for efficient distribution, we ensure that assistance reaches those who need it most, fostering a sense of community and support during this sacred time.



Children's Aid Eid initiative for Madrassah students in Kenya focuses on bringing joy and celebration to these children during the festive season. We provide special meals for the students, allowing them to enjoy delicious, freshly prepared food in a communal setting, fostering a sense of togetherness and joy. Additionally, each student receives new clothes, ensuring they feel valued and included in the Eid festivities. This initiative not only enhances their celebration but also strengthens community bonds, making Eid a memorable and meaningful occasion for the Madrassah students.



Ramadhan Ration Bags Distributed To
Over **130+** Families

Bangladesh

Children's Aid's Ramadhan Ration Program in Bangladesh focuses on supporting vulnerable families during the holy month by providing essential food supplies. We distribute ration packs containing staple items such as rice, lentils, oil, and spices to ensure families can prepare nutritious meals for Iftar. This initiative aims to alleviate food insecurity and enable low income households to partake in Ramadhan traditions without the stress of hunger. By collaborating with local organisations for effective distribution, we ensure that assistance reaches those most in need, fostering community solidarity and support during this significant time.

Children's Aid Eid initiative in Bangladesh aims to bring joy to orphans by providing them with special meals and new clothes to celebrate the festive occasion. We organise events where orphans enjoy delicious, freshly prepared Eid meals, allowing them to experience the spirit of togetherness and celebration. In addition, each child receives new clothes, ensuring they feel valued and cherished during this important holiday. This initiative not only enhances their festive experience but also fosters a sense of community and support, making Eid a memorable occasion for these vulnerable children.



We ensured over
200+
Families could celebrate Eid



ORPHAN PROGRAMME

Children's Aid Orphan Support program provides essential care and resources to orphaned children, focusing on their well-being, education, and development. Through orphan sponsorship and orphanage support programmes, we ensure that children have access to food, healthcare, schooling, and emotional support. Our programmes aims to empower these children with the opportunities and stability needed to build a brighter future.

Bangladesh

Children's Aid support for the Al Madina and Kazi Orphanages in Bangladesh focuses on providing essential care and resources for vulnerable children. Our initiatives include funding for food, education, healthcare, and daily necessities, ensuring that the orphans receive a nurturing and supportive environment. We also facilitate educational opportunities to help these children build a better future. By partnering with the orphanages, we aim to create a safe haven for these children, promoting their well-being and development while fostering a sense of community and hope.



We support over
260 Orphans
in 3 countries

India

Children's Aid support for the Majlis Imdadul Muslimeen girls' orphanage in India is dedicated to providing vulnerable girls with essential care and resources. Our initiatives focus on funding for nutritious meals, education, healthcare, and personal necessities, ensuring the girls have a safe and nurturing environment. We emphasise educational opportunities and skill development programs to empower these young girls for a brighter future. By partnering with the orphanage, we aim to promote their overall well-being, self-esteem, and independence, fostering a sense of community and hope for a better life.

Tanzania

Children's Aid's support for the boys' orphanage in remote Tanzania focuses on providing essential care and resources to vulnerable boys in need. Our initiatives include funding for nutritious meals, education, healthcare, and daily necessities, ensuring that the boys have a safe and supportive environment. We also facilitate access to educational opportunities and vocational training programs to empower these young boys for a brighter future. By partnering with the orphanage, we aim to promote their overall well-being and development, fostering a sense of community and hope in their lives.



Children's Aid
Supporting
Orphans
in Tanzania
and Kenya



HEALTHCARE PROGRAMME

Children's Aid's Healthcare program enhances access to quality healthcare for vulnerable communities, focusing on both immediate medical needs and long-term health education. We support healthcare facilities with essential supplies, provide medical treatments, and offer training to local healthcare workers. Our goal is to improve community health and well-being, particularly for those who lack regular access to medical services.

UK

Children's Aid continuing support for Claire House Children's Hospice in the UK supports the provision of essential care and services for children with life limiting conditions and their families. Claire House provides medical care, emotional support, and respite services, ensuring that families receive the comprehensive assistance they need during difficult times. They also support therapeutic programs and activities that promote joy and comfort for the children, helping to create meaningful experiences. By supporting Claire House, we aim to enhance the quality of life for these children and their families, fostering a compassionate community of care and support.



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Pakistan

Children's Aid support for stroke patients in Pakistan focuses on providing vital assistance to individuals recovering from strokes and their families. Our initiatives include funding for medical treatment, rehabilitation services, and access to essential healthcare resources. We work to ensure that patients receive comprehensive care, including physiotherapy and occupational therapy, to aid in their recovery. Additionally, we provide support to families, helping them navigate the challenges of caregiving and ensuring they have access to the resources they need. Through our efforts, we aim to improve the quality of life for stroke patients and foster a supportive environment for their recovery.

Children's Aid is dedicated to supporting children in urgent need of medical intervention, focusing on providing comprehensive assistance for critical surgical procedures. Our initiatives cover essential costs, including surgery, pre-operative care, and post-operative support to ensure a smooth recovery. Recently, this included aiding a 6-year-old girl in Pakistan, where our support encompassed both medical and emotional assistance to the family during this challenging period. By facilitating access to necessary treatments, we aim to enhance health outcomes and bring positive change to vulnerable children and their families.

Children's Aid initiative for the supply of hospital stretchers in Pakistan aims to enhance medical care and support in healthcare facilities. By providing high-quality stretchers, we ensure that hospitals can transport patients safely and comfortably, improving overall patient care. This initiative addresses critical gaps in medical infrastructure, particularly in underserved areas where resources are limited. Through this support, we strive to improve the quality of care for patients and enhance the operational capabilities of hospitals in Pakistan.



Bangladesh

Children's Aid is dedicated to supporting a **blind widower** in Bangladesh, ensuring he receives essential medical treatment and ongoing support. Our project provides much-needed assistance not only for his health but also to secure a stable future for his young daughters, whom he is currently unable to support. By stepping in, we aim to relieve their daily hardships and give this family hope and dignity as they rebuild their lives.



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WATER & SANITATION PROGRAMME

Children's Aid's Water Aid program aims to provide safe, clean water and improved sanitation to underserved communities. We focus on constructing wells, installing water purification systems, and promoting hygiene education to prevent waterborne diseases. By securing access to clean water, we help improve health, reduce hardship, and support sustainable community development.

Pakistan

Access to water Children's Aid's initiative to build village wells in Pakistan focuses on improving access to clean and safe drinking water for rural communities. This project addresses the critical issue of water scarcity, which impacts health, hygiene, and daily life. By constructing a well, we provide a sustainable water source that reduces the distance families must travel to fetch water, particularly benefiting women and children. The availability of clean water helps to prevent waterborne diseases and promotes better health outcomes for the entire community.

Thanks to the generous contributions of our donors, we successfully built a total of 11 wells in 2023 in remote parts of Pakistan. This initiative has significantly improved access to clean and safe drinking water for local communities, addressing critical water scarcity and contamination issues. By ensuring reliable water sources, we are enhancing the health and well-being of families and promoting better hygiene and sanitation practices. This achievement reflects our commitment to sustainable development and community empowerment in underserved areas.



Bangladesh

Improving hygiene and sanitation Children's Aid's initiative to build Wudu facilities at an orphanage in Bangladesh focuses on providing essential amenities for children to perform their ablutions in a clean and accessible environment. This project not only enhances the hygiene standards within the orphanage but also supports the spiritual practices of the children, allowing them to prepare for daily prayers with dignity and comfort. By constructing these facilities, we aim to create a more welcoming and supportive atmosphere for the children, fostering their well-being and promoting their religious and cultural practices. This initiative reflects our commitment to improving the living conditions of vulnerable children and ensuring they have access to necessary resources for their personal and spiritual growth.

Wudu Facility



LIVELIHOODS PROGRAMME

Children's Aid's Livelihood program empowers vulnerable individuals and families to achieve economic stability through skills training, financial support, and entrepreneurship initiatives. By providing the tools and resources needed to generate income, our program helps participants build self sufficiency and improve their long term well-being, fostering stronger, more resilient communities.

Pakistan

Paintbrush business support Children's Aid is dedicated to supporting livelihoods and fostering economic empowerment in Pakistan. In 2023, we provided funding to establish a paintbrush business, enabling local entrepreneurs to create job opportunities and generate sustainable income. This initiative not only promotes self sufficiency but also contributes to the local economy by supporting small scale enterprises. By investing in such ventures, we aim to empower individuals and families, helping them achieve financial stability and improve their quality of life. Our commitment to livelihood support is essential in building resilient communities and combating poverty in the region.



In 2023, we spent over
£12,126
on livelihood projects

Business support Children's Aid also provided a converted bike to a low income worker in Pakistan, enabling him to sell products and generate a sustainable income for his family. This initiative empowers individuals by offering them the means to access markets and expand their livelihoods. By equipping him with a reliable means of transportation, we aim to enhance his economic opportunities and improve his quality of life. This support not only benefits the individual worker but also contributes to the local economy, fostering resilience and self-sufficiency in the community.



Skills Institute In 2023, As part of our new Skills centre program Children's Aid established a Stitching Centre in Pakistan to empower women through skill development and vocational training. This initiative provides women with the opportunity to learn stitching and tailoring techniques, enabling them to create garments and other textile products. By equipping them with valuable skills, we aim to enhance their employability and facilitate income generation, contributing to their financial independence. The Stitching Centre not only supports individual women but also fosters community development by promoting entrepreneurship and self-sufficiency, ultimately leading to improved living standards for families in the region.



Kenya

Home sewing business In 2023, Children's Aid provided sewing machines to women in Kenya, empowering them to develop skills and establish their own income generating activities. This initiative aims to enhance women's economic independence by enabling them to create and sell garments, thereby improving their financial stability and supporting their families. By equipping these women with essential tools and training, we are fostering entrepreneurship and promoting gender equality within the community. This support is a crucial step toward enhancing livelihoods and empowering women to build brighter futures for themselves and their families.



FOOD INSECURITY PROGRAMME

Children's Aid's Food Aid program addresses hunger and food insecurity in vulnerable communities by providing nutritious food parcels and essential supplies to families in need. Through targeted distributions and partnerships, we aim to alleviate immediate hunger and support healthier lives, ensuring that no one goes without the sustenance they need to thrive.

UK

Supporting Tooting Community Kitchen In 2023, Children's Aid continued our collaboration with Tooting Community Kitchen to address food insecurity within vulnerable communities. This partnership focused on providing nutritious meals to those in need, ensuring that individuals and families have access to essential food resources. Through regular meal distributions and community engagement activities, Tooting Community Kitchen aims to alleviate hunger and promote well-being. By supporting this community initiative, we not only met immediate food needs but also fostered a sense of community support and resilience, helping to empower individuals to overcome challenges related to food insecurity.



Impacting over
2,368+
people

Pakistan

Meal distribution program In 2023, Children's Aid launched a hospital and meal distribution initiative to assist vulnerable communities facing health and nutrition challenges. Our efforts provided meals for patients and their families in local hospitals and in impoverished areas, to address acute food insecurity. Through this approach, we aimed to support immediate nutritional needs and improve health outcomes, enhancing the well-being of the communities we serve.



We Distributed
1200+
Hot Meal Packs
In Hospitals

Christmas Ration Program In 2023, Children's Aid launched the Christmas Ration Program to support the Christian community in Pakistan, providing essential food supplies to vulnerable Christian families during the festive season. This initiative aimed to ensure that those facing economic hardships could celebrate Christmas with dignity and joy. By distributing carefully curated food rations, we supported families in need, allowing them to enjoy traditional meals and share in the spirit of the holiday. Our program not only addressed immediate food insecurity but also fostered a sense of community and solidarity during a time of celebration and reflection.



India

Feeding destitute children Children's Aid proudly supports Nawab's Kitchen in India, an initiative dedicated to providing nutritious meals to orphans and underprivileged communities. By partnering with Nawab's Kitchen, we help ensure that hot meals reach children in need, bringing essential sustenance and comfort to those who may otherwise go without. This collaboration aligns with our mission to combat food insecurity and support well-being across vulnerable



STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT

The Board of Trustees holds overall responsibility for the oversight, management, and good governance of Children's Aid and its operations. The Trustees have delegated executive authority to the Senior Leadership Team, which consists of the CEO and senior country management teams which in turn report directly back to the Board of Trustees. This delegation enables the effective implementation of strategic, governance, and operational matters, including programme and project selection, delivery, and the management of organisational policies and procedures across the organisation. The goal is to ensure that all work is conducted efficiently, transparently, and in alignment with the charity's mission, aims, and objectives.

In 2023, the Board of Trustees continued the important journey of recruiting new trustees with the right skill sets and expertise to help strengthen the Board in their overall leadership, management and administration of the charity and its affairs. A new Trustee and Chair was appointed in 2023 which added to the breadth of experience at Board level.

The Trustees meet regularly to discuss and review the Charity's operations. At these meetings, they also make macro and micro level decisions relating to the running of the charity and its activities, mainly the delivery of short and long term humanitarian aid projects to different parts of the world, as well as within the UK. The Trustees also have a group of volunteers that work with and advise them on particular projects of the charity's work.



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Charity governance code

Children's Aid remains committed to adopting the principles of best practice as set out in the Charity Governance Code. The Board of Trustees and Leadership Team have continued with their efforts to update and develop our governance practices and achieve the highest standards of leadership, accountability and transparency and operate in a way that best serves our beneficiaries and stakeholders. We are committed to continuous review of our operations, self-assessment and continuous improvement, upholding best practices that ultimately lead to greater impact in the communities we serve.

Public benefit

The Board of Trustees confirm that they abide by the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and to have due regard to public benefit in pursuance of the Charity's aims as described in its strategic report. In accordance with guidance provided by the Charity Commission (general guidance on public benefit), the trustees have concluded the following:

- The aims of the charity continue to be focused on charitable work.
- The work carried out by the charity is directly and indirectly beneficial to the charitable sector and more specifically to those individuals in need.

The benefits are for the public and not unreasonably unrestricted in anyway There is no detriment to any country, society, community or individual arising out of the charities activities.

Operating Structure

Children's Aid operates in several countries around the world using branch offices and implementation partners. Branch offices establish a local Children's Aid presence and are then responsible for all operations in that country. Local implementation partners are independent of Children's Aid and deliver aid on our behalf. Local partners present an opportunity to work directly with frontline local responders and agencies with strong community acceptance. They implement both short to long term projects on our behalf.

Trustees' responsibility

The Board of Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements for each financial year, in accordance with all legal and regulatory requirements applicable to registered charities in England and Wales. The Board of Trustees have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards) and applicable law, and in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (Charities SORP (FRS102)). Under charity law the Board of Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that it gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity, its income and application of resources. In preparing these financial statements, the Board of Trustees are required to:

Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently; to observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP (FRS102).

- Make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Board of Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy, at any given time, the financial position of the charity to ensure that its financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and taking reasonable steps in relation to the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. As far as each of the Trustees are aware, at the date of this report, there is no relevant audit information of which the charity's auditor is unaware. Each Trustee has taken all the steps that he/she ought to have taken in order to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditor is aware of that information.

The Board of Trustees of Children's Aid are guided by the founding principles of the organisation and have thus exercised due diligence and care in protecting the integrity of the charity and its reputation. The Board of Trustees have reviewed the financial accounts placed in the public domain in line with the legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements.

Risk

Children's Aid is committed to its journey of reconnecting and nurturing new relationships with its donors and beneficiaries and as part of this continues to embed risk management into its day-to-day behaviour and culture across its operations. The Board of Trustees and Leadership Team continue to keep risks under periodical review as part of their administration and management of the organisation. Risk management forms a central component of the strategic and operational decision making required to effectively oversee the humanitarian work of Children's Aid and in the regions within which it operates which can be high risk at varying times.

The Senior Leadership Team have delegated powers to oversee risk management and report back to the Board. The Leadership and Management Teams periodically review and assess the major risks to which Children's Aid is exposed to those relating to the operations, income generation and finances of Children's Aid.

The Trustees regularly discuss and assess any identified risks that the charity may face by area of activity, nature and scale of those risks happening and measures to be taken to manage them. Risks levels and impacts are continuously reviewed in line with changing circumstances. Currently, the Trustees are satisfied that the necessary systems and procedures are in place to manage the risks that the charity may face.



INCOME GENERATION & MARKETING Fundraising in Ramadan

Our achievements would not have been possible without the unwavering **support of our donors and supporters**. Maintaining these relationships is essential, and our income generation and marketing efforts are crucial in sustaining our work. Thanks to our supporters' generosity, we can fund vital programs that make a real difference. Our fundraising efforts encompass a diverse range of marketing and campaign strategies, including **social media campaigns, events, collections, WhatsApp appeals, and website marketing**. These campaigns not only generate vital revenue but also help us connect with both grassroots donors and new audiences.

Though our digital fundraising is in its early stages, we see it as a key area for growth and are committed to fully exploring its potential. We are committed to transparency and accountability across all fundraising activities, ensuring every effort reflects our values and mission. All activities are carefully planned and managed, and we're proud to report no fundraising complaints were received during the year. Should any issues arise, we are dedicated to addressing them promptly and responsibly.

Ramadan is a meaningful time for Children's Aid and our donor community, marked by increased generosity and giving. In 2023, we developed a targeted strategy to leverage this opportunity, raising essential funds for our programs. Key campaigns included our **Ramadan Rations and Orphanage Support** initiatives, both of which resonated deeply with our supporters. Recognising the importance of this period, we are committed to refining and expanding our appeal strategy to ensure a thoughtful and impactful approach for Ramadan in the coming years.

Philanthropy

We recognise the importance of building a network of long-term donors to sustain our work. To achieve this, we are developing a strategy focused on identifying and cultivating relationships with key supporters. Through tailored communication, personalised donation support, and regular updates on our activities, we aim to foster a meaningful connection between donors and our mission. By engaging donors in this way, we hope to inspire their ongoing commitment to support our work for the long term.

We are grateful to our supporters for their continued generosity, which allows us to provide life-changing assistance to those in need.



Children's Aid News



Provided Clean Water to GAZA, Deir-al-Balah During Times of War

It is most difficult to meet fundamental requirements during chaos and instability. The people of Deir-al-Balah, a city heavily bombed by war, have not been spared clean, pure water. [Read More](#)

Join Hands For **PALESTINE**

Raising money for the people of Gaza.

RAISED: **£46,308.00** GOAL: **£100,000.00**

£ **100.00**

£10.00 £25.00 £50.00

£100.00 £250.00 Custom Amount

[DONATE NOW](#)

Marketing Platforms

Facebook Instagram WhatsApp Website Events

GAZA EMERGENCY APPEAL

Gaza Emergency Appeal

In Gaza, 80% of people live in extreme poverty, and most families in the Gaza Strip experience food insecurity.

[DONATE NOW](#)

CHILDRENS CLOTHES

Childrens Clothes

Your contribution helps us provide more garments to those who lack the means to stay warm or dress with dignity.

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GRANT MAKING

Children's Aid's grant making activities are essential for supporting our key program areas, ensuring alignment with our core funding objectives and grant making policy. The Leadership Team develops these programs, including **Ramadan, Qurbani, Humanitarian Aid, Livelihood Support, Education, Healthcare, Food Insecurity, Water and Sanitation, Orphan Support, and emergency appeals**, based on identified needs and annual plans. Our grant making efforts are carefully structured to support these priorities, reinforcing Children's Aid's commitment to impactful and sustainable aid.

Alongside implementing charitable projects through our **Branch Office in Pakistan**, we collaborate with various implementation partners selected on a country or project specific basis. Partner selection considers the partner's expertise, geographical reach, and delivery capability.

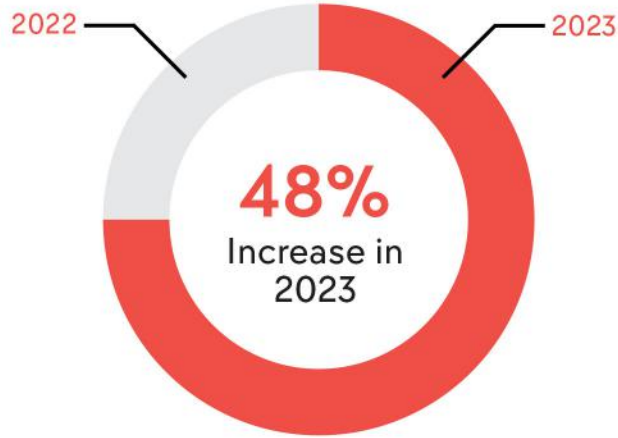
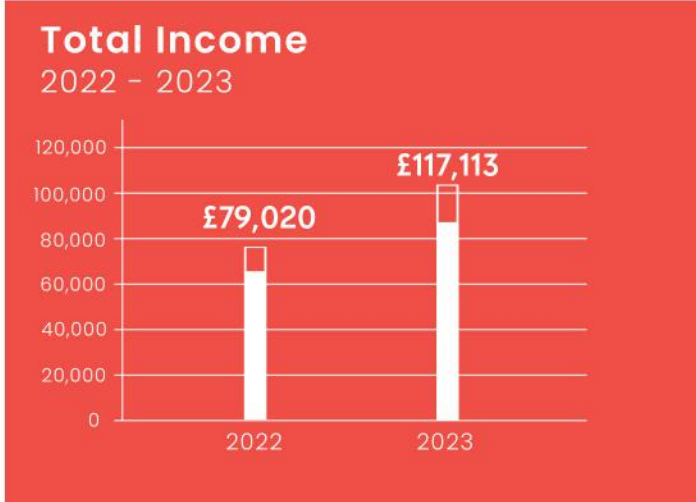
Before formalising any grant, Children's Aid conducts a thorough appraisal of both the project and the implementing partner. A signed grant agreement is established with each partner, detailing our working methods, delivery standards, policies, principles, and reporting requirements. We continuously monitor and evaluate progress based on the grant's size and perceived risk level. If a partner fails to meet the agreed upon standards, we reserve the right to discontinue funding.

Following a comprehensive review, our Trustees are pleased to confirm full satisfaction with our grant-making policy. We remain committed to upholding our mission and values, ensuring our grant making efforts create a lasting, positive impact on the communities we serve.



FINANCIAL REVIEW

2023 was another positive year for Children’s Aid, marking its second full year of operations with a strong financial performance. We raised over **£95,601** in **direct donations**, supplemented by an additional **£21,425** from **Gift Aid contributions**, bringing our **total income** to **£117,113** - an impressive **48% increase** from **£79,020** in 2022. During this period, Children’s Aid invested over **£81,944** (up from **£55,170** in 2022) in initiatives that provided essential aid worldwide, including responses to natural disasters, food and water relief, education programs, and orphan support



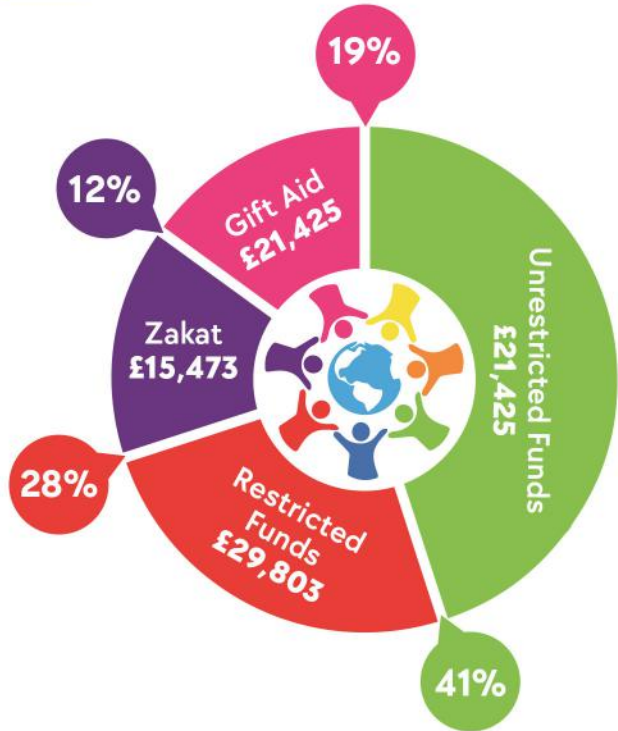
Children’s Aid continues to receive both **restricted** and **unrestricted** funds. Restricted funds are either in the form of **Zakat donations**, which are allocated in strict compliance with our Zakat policy to support only Zakat-eligible individuals, or donations where donors have specified their intended use, such as for orphan care or livelihood support. These designated funds are managed separately to ensure they are applied precisely as donors have directed, helping us maintain transparency and fulfil the unique purpose of each contribution.

General support and administrative costs are essential for effective charity management, allowing Children’s Aid to operate efficiently and maximise impact. By investing in our people and infrastructure, including staff, systems, and core back-office functions like IT and administration, we ensure smooth and responsive operations. While we carefully manage these overhead costs, we also recognize the need to invest in robust systems to support our mission without being over ambitious or wasteful. Currently, all administrative, IT, and overhead expenses are fully covered by Gift Aid contributions, enabling us to allocate 100% of direct donations to charitable programs and activities.

The Trustees assess that unrestricted general reserves are adequate to sustain the charity’s ongoing operations in line with the Reserves policy. No significant amounts have been designated for specific purposes during this reporting period, and in the event of a substantial decline in funding, the Trustees are confident that reserves could maintain current charity activities.

Additionally, Children’s Aid prioritises a responsive approach to emergencies, ensuring swift aid deployment wherever it is most needed. Our investment policy places surplus funds in a reserve account to sustain and enhance our capacity for future initiatives.

Donation Collections



Children’s Aid invested
Over £81,944
(up from £55,170 in 2022)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES



	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds £	Last Year Funds £
Receipts					
Donations	50,325	45,276	-	95,601	73,175
Gift aid	21,425	-	-	21,425	5,845
Bank interest	87	-	-	87	-
SUB TOTAL	71,837	45,276	-	117,113	79,020
Asset and Investment sales					
SUB TOTAL	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL RECEIPTS	71,837	45,276	-	117,113	79,020
Payments					
Charities activities	75,674	-	-	75,674	55,170
Wages	1,420	-	-	1,420	2,000
Legal and professional	1,927	-	-	1,927	3,593
Insurance	383	-	-	383	498
Telephone	359	-	-	359	197
Advert	284	-	-	284	64
Repairs	203	-	-	203	240
Bank charges	424	-	-	424	36
Computer expenses	604	-	-	604	612
Subscriptions	367	-	-	367	50
Motor	90	-	-	90	35
Printing postage & stationery	209	-	-	209	40
SUB TOTAL	81,944	-	-	81,944	62,535
Asset and Investment purchases					
SUB TOTAL	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL PAYMENTS	81,944	-	-	81,944	62,535

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES



	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds £	Last Year Funds £
Receipts					
NET OF RECEIPTS / (PAYMENTS)	- 10,107	45,276	-	35,169	16,485
A5 TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS	-	-	-	-	-
A6 CASH FUNDS LAST YEAR END	16,485	-	-	16,485	-
CASH FUNDS THIS YEAR END	6,378	45,276	-	51,654	16,485

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
Cash funds	Bank	51,654	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
SUB TOTAL		51,654	-	-

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES



Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Investment assets				
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
Liabilities				
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

SIGNED BY ONE OR TWO TRUSTEES ON BEHALF OF ALL THE TRUSTEES	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		Abdul Sattar	10/26/2024

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT



Section A

Report to the trustees/ members of
 On accounts for the year ended
 Set out on pages
 Responsibilities and basis of report

Independent auditor's statement

Relevant professional qualification(s)
 or body (if any):

Address

Independent Auditor's Report

CHILDREN'S AID		
31 DECEMBER 2023	Charity No (If Any)	1196869
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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2022.

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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed

M. Q. Majeed

Date

30/10/2024

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Nadeem Mian

Trustees Appointments

Nadeem Mian
Abdul Sattar
Nadeem Khan
Kashef Ahmed

Treasurer

Abdul Sattar

Chief Executive

Saleem Ali

Country Managers

Sohaib Intesar (Pakistan)

Auditors

Elite Accounting Solutions Ltd
Suite 9b Turner Business Centre
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Bankers

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Charity Reg No

1196869

Charity Registered Address

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CHILDREN'S AID

England & Wales - Charity number 1196869

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 01	Month 12	Year 2021		Day 31	Month 12	Year 2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

CHILDREN'S AID

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1196869

Charity's principal address

21 COUNCILLOR LANE
 CHEADLE
 STOCKPORT
 Postcode SK8 2HU

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	ABDUL SATTAR			
2	NADEEM KHAN			
3	NADEEM MIAN		Appointed 01/08/2023	
4	ZAHRA AKHTAR		Resigned 01/08/2023	
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
AUDITORS	Elite Accounting Solutions Ltd	Suite 9b Turner Business Centre Greengate, Middleton, Manchester, M24 1RU

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Children's Aid under its constitution is a UK registered charity (1196869) with the Charity Commission. It is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation whose Foundation was registered with the Charity Commission on 01 December 2021.
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	The existing board of trustees have overall responsibility to recruit and appoint new Trustees.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

The Trustees delegate the day-to-day running of the Charity to the CEO and Leadership Team. The CEO and the Leadership Team report directly to the Board. The Board of Trustees are responsible for the oversight, management and good governance of the Charity and its affairs. Appointed trustees are responsible for general management and control of the charity and to ensure that it operates within the guidelines dictated by the Charity Commission and its own governing documents.

The Trustees meet regularly to discuss and review the Charity's operations. At these meetings, they also make macro and micro level decisions relating to the running of the charity and its activities, mainly the delivery of short and long term humanitarian aid projects to different parts of the world, as well as within the UK. The Trustees also have a group of volunteers that work with and advise them on particular projects of the charity's work.

The Trustees regularly discuss and assess any risks that the charity may face by area of activity, nature and scale of those risks happening and measures to be taken to manage them. Risks levels and impacts are continuously reviewed in line with changing circumstances. Currently, the Trustees are satisfied that the necessary systems and procedures are in place to manage the risks that the charity may face.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To support and promote the mental and physical wellbeing of children and young people, especially those in poor and disadvantaged circumstances, those suffering from illness, ill-health, disability and incapacity of any kind and those who are deprived regardless of their gender, ability or disability, religion, nationality, ethnic or national origins in the UK and elsewhere, either directly through the provision of funds, grants, items and services and/or through charities or other organisations working to support individuals in need.

To relieve poverty, sickness and distress amongst children and young people who are displaced or living in developing countries and to support and advance the education and health of such persons through the provision of funds, grants items or services for persons, bodies and organisations including the provision of education, training, healthcare, shelter and medical aid.

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities.

The principal objectives set out by the charity and contained within our trust deeds, (as summarised above) are as follows:

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Our objectives are set to reflect the aims and purpose of the charity. They are constantly reviewed and assessed by the Trustees to ensure they continue to reflect our aims. The Charity Commission's guidance notes have been consulted in formulating these objectives.

OUR FUTURE PLANS AND OBJECTIVES

1. We will continue to help and support children and young people in the most deprived and needy areas of the world.
2. We will continue to broaden and innovate our existing projects and continue to adapt and react to changing needs where possible.
3. We recognise that to meet our long term objectives we need to invest in systems, processes and people to strengthen the charities operational infrastructure, hence the next phase of growth will be a critical one requiring:
 - finding skilled staff and volunteers that share our vision and objectives
 - increasing our focus on marketing, PR and social media activities
 - redesign and development of our website
 - expansion of our partner network
 - expansion of our volunteer network.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

4. We will continue to develop our donor interaction and feedback experience to ensure our donors remain relevant and engaged and comfortable with the donation experience.

5. We will continue to learn from experience, develop and enhance our internal controls and processes so they remain robust and in line with any authority guidelines. In doing so, we want donors to rest assured that Children's Aid is being managed effectively and efficiently and adheres strictly to best practice and high standards we set ourselves.

PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

In accordance with guidance provided by the Charity Commission (general guidance on public benefit), the trustees have concluded the following:

- The aims of the charity continue to be focused on charitable work
- The work carried out by the charity is directly and indirectly beneficial to the charitable sector and more specifically to those individuals in need
- The benefits are for the public and not unreasonably unrestricted in anyway There is no detriment to any country, society, community or individual arising out of the charity's activities

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

VOLUNTEERS
 Children's Aid is a charity reliant heavily on volunteers. This has been one of the cornerstones of our growth and success to date and we aim to bolster the volunteer base further by continuing to offer a number of ways in which people can continue to engage, collaborate and support us on this humanitarian journey.

GRANT MAKING
 Children's Aid are pleased to confirm that following a thorough review, the Trustees are fully satisfied with our grant-making policy. We remain committed to our mission and values, ensuring that our grant-making efforts continue to make a meaningful and positive impact on the communities we serve.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

In our first full year of operation we have managed to complete 95 projects across 5 countries touching thousands of lives. We have highlighted some of the main ones here:

IN THE UK

The UK was where we started things in December of 2021 with our fundraising colleague Shirlan Reid. We were heavily involved in raising funds to help pay for urgent medical treatment for a Manchester teenager. We did this successfully with the support of Morrisons supermarkets. After that our main focus in the UK has been on children's Hospice Support and helping to feed the homeless and those in need.

We have been raising funds for one of our supported charities - Together for Short Lives and have contributed over £1,000 through direct fundraising with Morrisons this year.

We also support the fantastic Claire House children's hospice in the north west and have donated over £500 towards them this year.

We help to feed the poor and homeless with support for Tooting Community Kitchen and have contributed nearly £1,000 to them this year.

We also supported Hounslow Masjid during Ramadan this year and helped provide iftari meals as well as helping to feed the poor with a donation of £350.

OVERSEAS

Internationally is where we have really spread our wings and made an impact:

PAKISTAN

In Pakistan we have paid for the education of many children and teenagers providing them with a route to lift them and their families out of poverty.

From feeding the poor in hospitals through providing essential ration packs and iftari through Ramadhan we have been able to help hundreds of families and thousands of people to eat.

We were able to react quickly and provide essential disaster relief support following the devastating floods this year. We were able to fund vital projects in the north and south of Pakistan providing everything from medicine, water, ration packs, tents, clothing and blankets, all the way through to supporting some of the rebuild efforts.

From the initial completion of our first well at the start of the year we have recently commenced the building of our 10th deep water well this year – with potentially more to follow in the near future. These wells support whole communities and will improve and benefit thousands of peoples lives.

We have helped to support several widows and their families, from providing goats to ration packs to helping to pay for school fees we have made lives easier

We have worked with the Seeraht institute to support their goals and also to provide assistance to many of its poorer and underprivileged students

and teachers.

We have supported livelihoods and business start-ups including a sweet shop and a brush making business to enable families to support themselves and lift them out of the poverty trap.

We provided hundreds of ration packs to the poorest of families during Ramadhan enabling them to eat during this holiest of months and were able to help many families to eat at least one meal a day.

We have provided help to several individuals and families requiring urgent medical care and treatment. From vital operations to ongoing care and support

BANGLADESH

In Bangladesh we started our orphanage support program with the Al Madina orphanage. We provided clothes for all the orphans and provided them all with a special Eid meal. We currently sponsor 2 orphans on an ongoing basis.

We also starting to work with a smaller more rural orphanage where we have helped to provide ongoing support to the orphanage through paying for maintenance and upkeep but also sponsor 2 orphans on an ongoing basis. We have also provided special Eid meals for the all the children.

Through our partnership with the Al Madina orphanage and their location we were able to work with them to provide emergency humanitarian aid when torrential floods hit Bangladesh in the summer of 2022.

We have been providing ongoing support to a blind widower and his family to pay for vital medical treatment and to enable him to support his young family.

We have provided contributions to build several houses for poor and deserving families in Bangladesh.

KENYA

We provided rations and meat to several rural orphanages in Kenya. This is something we would like to build on and are looking to

We have supported a number of masjid build and refurb projects in Kenya. From paying towards the construction costs of new masjids to providing renovation improvements to existing masjids we have helped to support numerous masjids in 2022.

We have provided food and ration packs to the poor throughout the year, helping poor and destitute families to eat.

We distributed a number of essential rations packs to needy families in Ramadhan.

With the support of our broadening Kenya network we undertook our first major Qurbani project in Kenya in 2022 and what a great success it was. Not only was it competitively priced for our donors but it was exceptionally well organised and managed in Kenya with the meat being distributed far and wide to needy individuals, including Muslim prisoners and remote communities.

We have managed to support several projects to provide wheelchairs for

poor children with disabilities in Kenya, significantly improving their lives.

GAMBIA

We have dipped our toe in the water in Gambia and have helped to provide Eid meals to over 2,000 school children with our partner Sharing Wonders.

INDIA

We provided the option for full cow Qurbanis in India this year and is something we will likely continue due to its competitive pricing.

We have started to engage with and support a girls orphanage project which we will look to grow in the future.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Children's Aid maintains a prudent approach to reserves management, striving to strike a balance between maintaining financial stability and fulfilling our mission. Reserves are held to ensure the long-term sustainability of our organisation and to provide a buffer against unforeseen challenges or opportunities.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Principal sources of funding

The principal source of funding is from individual donors from within the UK who respond to appeals via email, Whatsapp, website, word of mouth or other forms of fundraising including collections and events.

Nature of funds

The Trustees confirm that, on a fund-by-fund basis, the assets are available and are adequate to fulfil the obligations of the Charity.

2022 has been an incredibly positive year, in what was effectively our first full year of operations, Children's Aid managed to raise over £79,000 - including, just under £6,000 coming from Gift Aid. The total income received in 2022 (our first full year of operation) was £79,020. During the year, Children's Aid spent over £55,170 helping a large number of beneficiaries they supported across the world from natural disasters to food aid, water aid, education and orphan programmes. Moreover, in the event of a significant drop in funding, the Trustees feel that they would be able to continue the current activities of the Charity through the availability of reserves. The Charity needs to be able to respond quickly to emergencies should the need arise, in order to get aid and assistance where most needed around the world. Investment policy Surplus funds are usually kept in an investment reserve account to ensure the best return for the Charity.

Section F

Other optional information

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations. The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:


- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Section G**Declaration**

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Abdul Sattar	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	28/10/2023	



Charity Name Children's Aid	No (if any)
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Receipts and payments accounts


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For the period from	Period start date 01/12/2021	To	Period end date 31/12/2022
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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					
Donations	73,175	-	-	73,175	-
Gift aid	5,845	-	-	5,845	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	79,020	-	-	79,020	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	79,020	-	-	79,020	-
A3 Payments					
Charities activities	55,170	-	-	55,170	-
Wages	2,000	-	-	2,000	-
Legal and professional	3,593	-	-	3,593	-
Insurance	498	-	-	498	-
Telephone	197	-	-	197	-
Advert	64	-	-	64	-
Misc	240	-	-	240	-
Bank charges	36	-	-	36	-
Computer expenses	612	-	-	612	-
Subscriptions	50	-	-	50	-
Motor	35	-	-	35	-
Printing postage and stationery	42	-	-	42	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	62,536	-	-	62,536	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	62,536	-	-	62,536	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	16,484	-	-	16,484	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	16,484	-	-	16,484	-

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	Bank	16,478	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	16,478	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	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	
		Abdul Sattar	28/10/2023	