

For the Period: 01 April 2024 to 30 March 2025

Charity Name: Trust Offering Underprivileged Children Educational Opportunities (TOUCEO)

Registered Charity Number (UK): 1199277

Uganda Registration (CBO): ZBO/CBS/006/248

Website: www.touceo.org Section 1: Reference and Administrative Details

Detail	Information
Charity Name	Trust Offering Underprivileged Children Educational Opportunities (TOUCEO)
Registered Charity Number	1199277
Charity's Principal Address	46 Filton Road, Postcode: L14 8AD

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)
Rev Robert Kisa	Chair	Since 04/08/2022	All Trustees
Matthew Featherstone	Communications Manager	Since 04/08/2022	All Trustees
Rev Simon Fellows	Secretary/Grant Officer	Since 04/08/2022	All Trustees
Martha Kateme M.A	Project Coordinator	Since 04/08/2022	All Trustees
Alastair Keith Dowell	Treasurer	Since 04/08/2022	All Trustees

Section 2: Structure, Governance, and Management

Governing Document: The Charity is governed by a Trust Deed (Constitution). It is registered as a Charitable Trust in the UK and operates as a registered Community-Based Organisation (CBO) in Zombo District, Uganda. We are pleased to report that TOUCEO Uganda is now fully registered as a CBO, a major milestone that strengthens our foundation for future growth and grants us the legal standing to engage more effectively with local government bodies, partners, and donors.

Organisational Structure: The UK Board of Trustees is responsible for strategic oversight, fundraising, and compliance. Project implementation is managed by the Project Coordinator and a dedicated volunteer team in Uganda. This year, the charity strengthened its operational structure by formalising a "Community Hub" model to centralise activities and improve oversight. The CBO's constitution ensures TOUCEO Uganda operates under the direct supervision of TOUCEO UK, providing a transparent and accountable framework for project implementation.

Public Benefit Statement: The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Commission

Section 3: Objectives and Activities

Summary of Objects: The objects of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) are to relieve poverty and advance education for underprivileged children and young people in the world beginning with Uganda, specifically by providing grants, items, and services to individuals in need and/or charities or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty.

Main Activities: To achieve our vision of empowering underprivileged children and youth to break the cycle of systemic poverty, our activities are focused on three interconnected pillars:

Education: We believe education is the primary tool for breaking the poverty cycle. Our activities focus on removing financial barriers and enhancing academic performance.

- **Educational Support & Sponsorship:** We provide essential school fees, uniforms, and learning materials to orphans and vulnerable children who would otherwise be excluded from the education system.
- **Mentorship:** Through our Community Hub, we offer academic guidance and moral support to ensure students stay motivated and focused.
- **Academic Competitions:** We organise interschool debating competitions to foster critical thinking, English literacy, and public speaking skills.

Health: We recognise that poor health and hygiene are significant causes of school absenteeism and dropout rates.

- **Health Promotion:** We deliver programs addressing hygiene and adolescent health to ensure children are physically well enough to attend school.
- **Menstrual Hygiene Management:** We conduct training workshops where both girls and boys learn to sew reusable sanitary pads. This initiative directly tackles "period poverty," ensuring girls do not miss school during their menstrual cycles.
- **Adolescent Health Forums:** We organise conferences and talks to educate youth on reproductive health and mental well-being.

Vocation & Empowerment: We aim to equip young people with the skills and character required for economic independence and leadership.

- **Sports & Empowerment:** The TOUCEO football team continues to operate well, serving as a vital engagement tool. We use sports to build character, discipline, and teamwork. Furthermore, we utilise competitive matches as a platform for talent exposure, actively seeking educational scholarships to support talented players in advancing their academic journey.
- **Vocational Training:** We are equipping youth with practical "hard skills" for economic independence. This includes current initiatives in tailoring (via the sanitary pad project) and planned future initiatives in modern farming (Young Farmers Group) and digital

literacy.

Section 4: Achievements and Performance

The past year has been one of significant progress and growth, with four major activities executed in the annual work plan for 2024. During the reporting period (2024-2025), TOUCEO's programs directly impacted over **1,570 underprivileged children and youth**. This was achieved through a strategic shift towards partnership-working and the centralisation of our support systems.

1. Sports for Empowerment: The Football Team

The TOUCEO football team is a strategic tool for youth development, offering holistic growth through education, health, and vocational initiatives.

- **Talent and Opportunity:** The team participated in competitive football matches, which led to several players being recognised for their exceptional abilities. This success has secured opportunities with larger football clubs in Uganda, expanding their exposure and improving career prospects. Crucially, the team aims to help young people secure **scholarships** to attend reputable secondary schools, using their athletic ability to unlock academic opportunities.
- **Partnership:** A significant milestone was the partnership with **Everton Football Club**, which graciously provided kits for the team, boosting the players' sense of pride and belonging.
- **Life Skills:** Participation in the team has instilled resilience, discipline, and a strong sense of camaraderie, developing essential life skills for both on and off the field.

2. Establishment of the Community Hub & Sponsorship

To improve monitoring and child protection and to address the challenge of rising school fees, we transitioned to a centralised "Hub" model.

- **Centralised Support:** We established a dedicated **TOUCEO HUB** where all sponsored children live in a safe and comfortable environment under the care of a live-in carer. The Hub provides a holistic support system that includes adequate food nutrition, medical care, and close monitoring of educational progress, acting as a cost-effective alternative to traditional boarding schools.
- **Transformative Impact:** The Hub model has already proven its effectiveness, with our first sponsored child completing her Primary Leaving Examination and preparing to join a secondary school.
- **Growth:** We secured a new sponsor this year, bringing the total number of fully sponsored children to three, all receiving comprehensive support, including tuition, uniforms, and mentorship.

3. Educational Engagement & Youth Consultation

We actively utilise academic activities to educate, consult, and listen to the needs of the students.

- **Debating Competition:** Our annual interschool debating competition was successfully revived and implemented across three primary schools in Zombo district, engaging **over 800 students** and their parents in critical thinking exercises.
- **Teacher Empowerment:** The theme of the 2024 competition was the "critical importance of teacher empowerment", a need that stakeholders recognised to enhance school

performance.

- **Direct Consultation:** We utilised the debating clubs as a forum to consult the youth on their future needs. The feedback was clear, with students requesting practical skills and agricultural training, which directly shaped our strategy for the planned "Young Farmers Initiative" program.

4. Youth Engagement

Recognising that poverty is multifaceted, we expanded our scope to address social and leadership issues.

- **Youth Conference:** In late 2024, TOUCEO supported and participated in a major Youth Conference. The conference provided a vital platform for youth leaders to discuss strategies for economic self-reliance and sensitive health topics, featuring supported talks on **Leadership, Adolescent Health, and Poverty Eradication**.
- **Annual Christmas Party:** The Annual Christmas Party 2024 was conducted at a youth camp in Ukuru Archdeaconry, reaching out to **800 children and youth**. Highlights included the establishment of a football tournament to foster teamwork, the distribution of numerous gifts, and interactive small talks about TOUCEO's mission.

5. Health & Vocational Training (Sanitary Pad Project)

The project addresses "Period poverty," a primary cause of school dropout for girls in the region.

- **Training and Distribution:** We successfully launched the reusable sanitary pads project in Zombo. The initiative involved a two-day Training of Trainers (TOT) session for six dedicated volunteers, followed by Phase Two, which focused on distribution and training in two remote schools, Aka Primary School and Abanga Kubi Primary School.
- **Inclusivity and Impact:** A total of **160 girls and 40 boys** were actively engaged in learning how to design and hand-sew reusable sanitary pads. The boys' participation was crucial in fostering a culture of understanding and support, helping to break down the social stigma surrounding menstruation.

6. Strategic Networking and Foundation Building

To ensure the sustainability of our initiatives, we prioritised institutional partnerships and established a formal presence.

- **Community Awareness:** We conducted the TOUCEO Awareness Project, engaging with local stakeholders, including village elders, chiefs, and primary schools, to spread awareness about our mission and impact in Zombo District.
- **Formalisation:** Key achievements that laid a solid foundation for future growth include:
 - The establishment of a physical office in Zombo District, which serves as a centralised space for administration and operations.
 - Acquiring a postal code to establish a formal communication channel.
 - Opening TOUCEO Uganda's bank accounts in both British Pounds and Uganda Shillings, which streamlines financial management and ensures greater transparency by removing the reliance on third-party mobile money services.
- **Partnerships:** We held instrumental meetings with District Education leaders and local church networks to raise awareness and identify the most vulnerable families.

Section 5: Financial Review

Summary for the Year Ended 30 March 2025:

Financial Detail	Amount
Total Income	£3776
Total Expenditure	£2161
Net Surplus	£1615

Financial Commentary: Income was derived primarily from individual donations, regular child sponsorships, and fundraising activities. Expenditure covered school fees, football team logistics, the Youth Conference, debating competition awards, and the initial setup of the Community Hub. The charity utilises local bank accounts in Uganda to minimize transaction fees and foreign exchange losses.

Reserves Policy: The surplus of **£1,615** has been strategically designated as a reserve for specific capital projects in the upcoming financial year.

Section 6: Future Plans

Based on the direct consultation with youth and district leaders, our plans for the 2025-2026 period are focused on vocational training and digital literacy:

1. **TOUCEO Young Farmers Group:** In direct response to student feedback, we will launch a farming group to teach youth modern animal and crop husbandry techniques, a key step towards securing their livelihoods.
2. **IT Skills Hub:** Utilising our reserved funds, we intend to install computers at the Community Hub to provide essential digital literacy training.
3. **Vocational Tailoring:** We plan to acquire a sewing machine to formalise the tailoring skills initiated during the sanitary pad project, offering long-term vocational opportunities.

Section 7: Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Full Name: Rev Robert Kisa

Position: Chair of Trustees

Date: 23 January 2026



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
**TRUST, OFFERING UNDERPRIVILEGED CHILDREN
EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES (TOUCEO)**

No (if any)
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/04/2024	To	Period end date 31/03/2025
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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					
Child Sponsorship		1,629	-	1,629	-
Donations	2,147	-	-	2,147	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	2,147	1,629	-	3,776	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	2,147	1,629	-	3,776	-
A3 Payments					
Child Sponsorship	-	610	-	610	-
Childrens Christmas Party	578	-	-	578	-
Debating Club	374	-	-	374	-
Samitary Pad project	599	-	-	599	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,551	610	-	2,161	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,551	610	-	2,161	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	596	1,019	-	1,615	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	799	-	-	799	-
Cash funds this year end	1,395	1,019	-	2,414	-

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	Child Sponsorship	-	1,019	-
	Donations	1,395	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	1,395	1,019	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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	
		ROBERT KISA		
		ALASTAIR DOWELL		