



Annual Report 2025

Human Rights Solidarity
*(Charitable Incorporated
Organization)*

Trustees Annual Report
and financial statements
for the year ended
31 August 2025

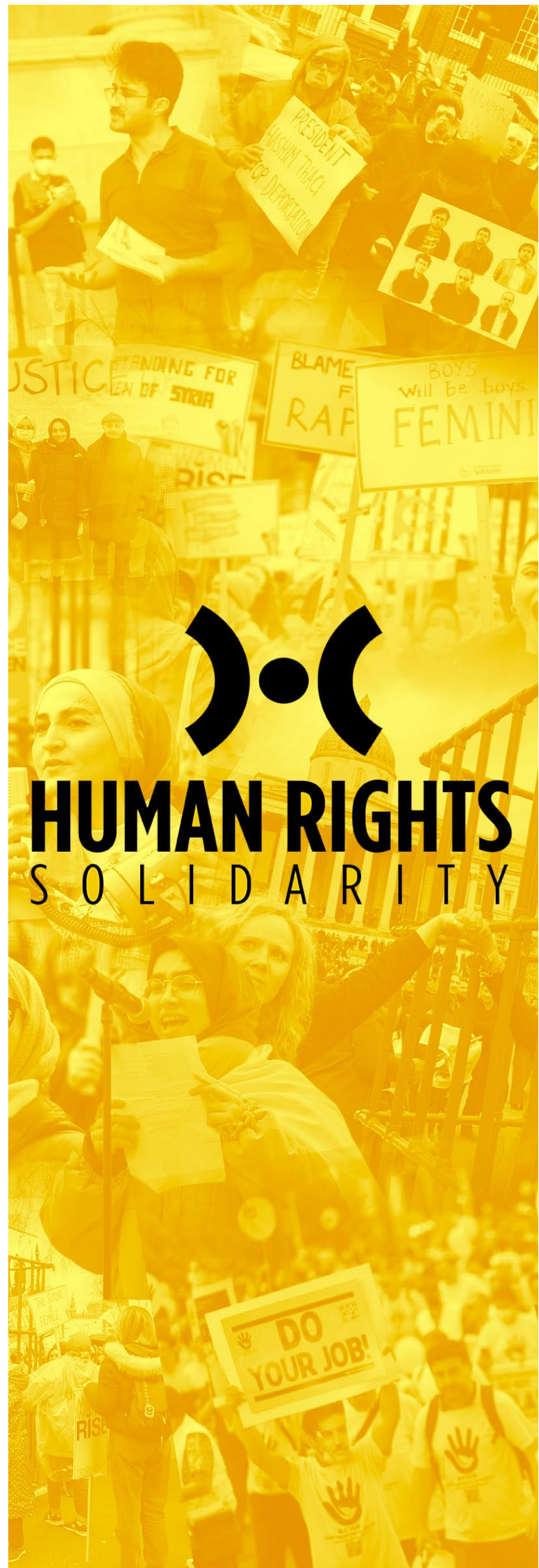
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Act Today, Build Tomorrow

- We define ourselves not by the injustices and human rights violations we fight against, but by the future we want to build.
- The heart of our work is the desire to protect human rights in order to leave a better world for future generations.
- For us, the future is an open code that needs to be written and rewritten. When we code the future, we prioritise:
- Fundamental rights and freedoms instead of state interests;
The power of the righteous instead of the righteousness of the power;
Responding to change rather than following old plans and goals set by past generations.



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HUMAN RIGHTS SOLIDARITY (CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANIZATION)

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS



Trustees who served during the year and up to the date of this report were as follows:

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Company Registration Number:

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Charity Registration Number: 1201416

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Constitution: Constitution of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation whose only voting members are its charity trustees ('Foundation' model constitution)



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HUMAN RIGHTS SOLIDARITY TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

The Trustees are pleased to present their report along with the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2025. This report includes reference and administrative information, as outlined on the first page, and forms an integral part of our annual review. The financial statements adhere to the current statutory requirements, our governing documents, and the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP), in line with FRS 102 accounting standards.



OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Purposes and Aims

The objects and purposes of the Human Rights Solidarity, as set out in our Constitution of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation whose only voting members are its charity trustees, are to promote human rights (as set out in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights ("UDHR") and European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR) and subsequent United Nations Conventions and Declarations, to include rulings of the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR) and regional codes of human rights which incorporate the rights contained in the UDHR and ECHR and those subsequent conventions and declarations), for the benefit of the public by all or any of the following means:

- Monitoring abuses of human rights;
- Obtaining redress for the victims of human rights abuse;
- Relieving need among the victims of human rights abuse;
- Research into human rights issues;
- Providing technical advice to government/s and others regarding the implementation of human rights standards through law;
- Contributing to the sound administration of human rights law through litigation, advocacy, training and information sharing as regards human rights standards;
- Commenting on proposed human rights legislation;
- Raising awareness of human rights issues;
- Promoting public support for human rights;
- Promoting respect for human rights among individuals and corporations;
- International advocacy of human rights;
- Eliminating infringements of human rights;
- Preparation and publication of reports and articles in relation to infringements of human rights.

The Trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and consider that both the objects and purposes of the Trust, and the activities undertaken to achieve these objects and purposes are for the public benefit. When reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning its future activities, the Trustees have regard to the public benefit of the organisation. In particular, the Trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives that have been set.

The Trustees review the aims, objectives and activities of the charity throughout each year. The Trustees review the success of each key activity and the benefits the charity has brought to those groups of people that it is set up to help. The review also helps the Trustees ensure the charity's aims, objectives and activities remained focused on its stated purposes. This report looks at what the charity has achieved and the outcomes of its work in the reporting period.



MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Growing Hope Amid Challenges: Strong Steps for Human Rights

The past year has been one of growing challenges for the global struggle to protect human rights. The spread of wars, the strengthening of authoritarian regimes, the deprioritization of human rights by democratic governments, deepening economic crises, and the escalating climate emergency have all made advocacy more difficult than ever.

Despite these adversities, **Human Rights Solidarity (HRS)** did not merely endure its third year—it grew, strengthened, and expanded its impact. With the unwavering commitment of our board and volunteers, we launched new projects, expanded our advocacy network, and reached more people than ever before.

Building on a Strong Foundation

This year marked the consolidation of our seven thematic committees, designed for a more systematic approach to human rights advocacy. The **Women's Rights, Refugee and Migrant Rights**, and **Youth Committees** led the way with innovative and impactful projects. I believe that in the coming year, all our committees will operate even more actively and effectively.

What You Will Find in This Report

This report offers an overview of HRS's projects, campaigns, research, and awareness initiatives throughout the year. We continued investing in human rights education and developing projects that empower young people and refugee women while promoting inclusion and active citizenship. Our initiatives addressing violations in Turkey and Afghanistan reflect HRS's growing capacity for international advocacy. Meanwhile, in the UK, we launched important programs raising awareness of knife crime.

Highlights of Our Work

Our acclaimed **"Humanity Cartoons"** exhibitions continued to defend refugee and migrant rights through art. Based on our survey of refugee women's integration, we launched **"Act, Speak, Integrate,"** providing certified English courses for women.

We deepened partnerships with **King's College London**, **City St George's**, **University of London**, and **University of Sheffield**, co-hosting panels on refugee and migrant rights. The report "*Knife Crime in the United Kingdom*", prepared by City St George's students during their HRS internship, inspired new awareness programs in high-risk schools.

The **Women's Rights Committee** became a strong voice for victims of domestic violence, while the **Youth Committee** grew through projects combining sports, education, and activism. The

"Unscreen Yourself" project, addressing screen addiction, is expanding to new schools. Our **"School of Governance (SoG)"** program remains a flagship initiative, training the next generation of human rights advocates.

Our Guiding Principles

At HRS, we reaffirm our belief in the universality of the right to life and the indivisibility of human dignity. We uphold the rights in the **Universal Declaration of Human Rights**, defending them without distinction of identity, faith, or geography. To strengthen these values, we collaborate across civil society, academia, government, and the private sector.

Looking Ahead with Hope

We believe difficult times exist not to weaken hope but to build resilience. Guided by our principles and the dedication of our volunteers, we look to the future with confidence.

In the coming term, we aim to present our knife crime research and policy recommendations to **Parliament**, while **SoG participants** develop innovative models for human rights education. We will launch a new program for students aged 8–12, introduce initiatives supporting refugee and migrant integration, and continue publishing evidence-based human rights reports.

Human Rights Solidarity remains a voice of hope, unity, and justice—committed to amplifying that voice, reaching more people, and defending human dignity everywhere.

Sincerely yours,

HRS Chairman of the Board of Trustees
Mehmet Ozdemir



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ACT TODAY, BUILD TOMORROW!

HUMAN RIGHTS SOLIDARITY – ADVOCATING FOR CHANGE, EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES

At Human Rights Solidarity, we continue to stand firm in our commitment to advocate for, support, and empower individuals affected by human rights violations. As a UK-registered charity (Charity Number: 1201416), we serve asylum seekers, refugees, immigrants, and other marginalised communities by providing a platform for advocacy, education, and community integration.

Over the past year, we have extended our reach, formed new partnerships, and increased our visibility within both the human rights and community sectors. Our growing network has allowed us to amplify our impact, engage more beneficiaries, and strengthen our role as a bridge between marginalised communities and wider society.

Our mission remains clear: to illuminate human rights issues and nurture a new generation of defenders who are young, dynamic, innovative, and equipped to make meaningful change. We believe that awareness, education, and advocacy are the foundations of a just and equitable society. Through our programmes and campaigns, we empower individuals to stand up for their rights and to become active agents of justice and solidarity.

Our Core Activities

Advocacy & Policy Engagement: We continue to organise impactful campaigns, prepare reports, and submit recommendations to international and national human rights bodies including the UN, EU, and UK institutions.

Education & Training: Through webinars, seasonal schools, and specialised workshops, we help participants develop the knowledge and skills necessary for effective human rights activism.

Community Mobilisation: We engage and empower immigrant communities to take an active role in defending human rights and shaping inclusive policies.

Professional Development: We support immigrant and refugee legal professionals, academics, and students in the UK by offering mentorship, career guidance, and integration support.

Awareness Campaigns: We use social media, exhibitions, art, and cultural events to raise awareness and foster meaningful public engagement with human rights issues.

Sport & Social Activities: We promote well-being, inclusion, and community cohesion through sports and social events that bring together youth immigrants, refugees, and their families.

Believing that only fully integrated communities can defend and enjoy their rights, HRS plays a crucial role in facilitating the integration of refugees and migrants into UK society. We provide practical guidance, educational support, and professional pathways for displaced legal professionals and human rights defenders seeking to rebuild their lives and careers.

Our educational and community initiatives address vital areas including education, health, finance, housing, and protection from discrimination and violence, ensuring that individuals and families receive the support they need to thrive.

At the heart of HRS lies a passionate team of volunteers and professionals such as human rights activists, lawyers, educators, and community advocates, driven by a shared belief in justice, dignity, and equality. We are proud to maintain an inclusive, safe, and welcoming environment where our programmes remain accessible, responsive, and empowering for all.

Through collective effort and shared vision, HRS continues to be a beacon of hope and solidarity. As we look to the future, we remain dedicated to expanding our partnerships, deepening our impact, and strengthening our visibility, ensuring that human rights are not only protected but also actively upheld, celebrated, and advanced across every community we serve.

OUR TEAM STRUCTURE

The Board of Trustees

The governing body of Human Rights Solidarity consists of a **chairperson and eight trustees**. Each trustee brings valuable knowledge and experience in fields such as **human rights, law, philanthropy, education, IT and accountancy**. United by a shared commitment to the **rule of law, democratic development, and global peace**, they form the cornerstone of our organisation.

The **Board of Trustees meets quarterly**, as well as whenever necessary, to oversee governance and ensure that HRS remains aligned with its mission and values. The **Annual General Meeting (AGM)** is held each **January**, bringing together trustees and senior management to review the charity's progress and strategic direction.

Management Board

The **Management Board** is responsible for overseeing daily operations, financial management, project coordination, and the implementation of our programmes and campaigns. It ensures that our advocacy, research, and educational activities are delivered effectively and transparently.

As of 2025, the management team consists of **six members**:

- **Executive Director**
- **Communications Officer**
- **Financial Manager**
- **Volunteer Coordinator**
- **General Project Manager**
- **Fundraiser**

Regular weekly meetings are held every Tuesday, and we also coordinate the Monthly Executive Meeting every second Tuesday including more detailed project and admin-related discussion.





Advisory Board and Public Benefit Committee

The **Advisory Board**, established by the Board of Trustees, is composed of professionals and experts who voluntarily provide consultancy and strategic advice. Their diverse expertise strengthens the organisation's capacity for long-term planning and innovation. Regular meetings are held throughout the year, including a dedicated session during the Annual General Meeting.

Youth Board (YouthAct)

Human Rights Solidarity places a high priority on youth engagement. A significant proportion of our founding members are young individuals aged between 16 and 25. We believe that empowering today's youth with knowledge of human rights and the rule of law is vital for building a peaceful and just future. Through the Youth Action (YouthAct) group, we channel their energy and enthusiasm into active human rights advocacy. The Youth Board meets weekly.

Regional Representatives

As of **August 2025**, Human Rights Solidarity has a network of **36 Regional Representatives** covering all major cities across the UK. These representatives play a key role in organising local activities, raising awareness of HRS's mission, and strengthening community engagement. **Monthly coordination meetings** are held, which include sessions on human rights education to ensure consistent values and practices across regions.

Personnel and Volunteers

Human Rights Solidarity is powered by a dedicated and passionate team of staff and volunteers. Our achievements in advocacy, education, research, and community support are made possible through the commitment of over **230+ active members and volunteers**. We deeply appreciate the time, energy, and expertise each individual contributes to advancing our mission and promoting human rights for all.

COMMITTEES

Committees are essential to the efficient functioning of Human Rights Solidarity. They enable specialization, foster collaboration, and ensure that key projects and advocacy areas are effectively managed. Each committee is responsible for planning and executing relevant projects and meets weekly to strategize and coordinate activities.



FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

The Fundraising Committee manages regular fundraising operations and several core projects, including membership engagement, financial sources and funding, and community-driven initiatives.



FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION COMMITTEE

This committee focuses on freedom of expression, thought, media, belief, and access to information. It works with UK and EU organizations to coordinate events, panels, conferences, reports, campaigns, books, and films.



LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

This committee protects the rights of human rights organizations, activists, legal professionals, and labour union representatives, ensuring their access to justice and legal protection.



REFUGEE AND MIGRANT RIGHTS & SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

This committee advocates for asylum seekers, refugees, and immigrant communities while combating xenophobia, antisemitism, Islamophobia, and racism.



WOMEN'S RIGHTS COMMITTEE

This committee promotes gender equality and works against oppression, violence, and discrimination based on gender or sexual orientation.



ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE RIGHTS COMMITTEE

This committee advocates for the right to a healthy and sustainable environment and promotes awareness and action on environmental justice.



YOUTH ACTION COMMITTEE

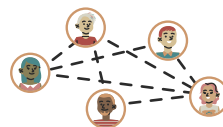
This committee supports youth activities in human rights advocacy through art, activism music, film, and other creative projects.



7 COMMITTEE



9 MEMBER OF THE BOARD
OF TRUSTEES



36 REGIONAL
REPRESENTATIVE



237 REGISTERED
MEMBER

TRUSTEE & VOLUNTEER INDUCTION AND TRAINING

Human Rights Solidarity is dedicated to maintaining the highest standards of governance, leadership, and safeguarding. To uphold these standards, we ensure that all trustees and volunteers receive comprehensive training and induction to equip them with the knowledge and confidence to fulfil their roles responsibly and effectively.

We provide **free access to the ICAEW's online training modules**, which offer an in-depth overview of:

- The legal and financial responsibilities of charity trustees
- Strategic and operational decision-making
- Best practices in safeguarding and volunteer management

In addition, as members of London Youth, Directory of Social Change, Fundraising Regulator and the National Council for Voluntary Organisations (NCVO), we actively utilise their free and discounted training opportunities. These include workshops, webinars, and resources covering topics such as youth engagement, volunteer management, leadership, and safeguarding. We also make regular referrals to NCVO training sessions for trustees and volunteers to ensure continuous professional development and alignment with sector best practice.

This structured training approach ensures that trustees and volunteers understand their legal obligations, their duty of care towards beneficiaries, and the positive impact of their contributions.

Upon joining the organisation, each staff, trustee and volunteer undertakes a detailed **induction and training programme**, which includes:

1. Meetings with Key Personnel

New trustees and volunteers meet fellow board members, senior staff, and team leaders to gain insight into the organisation's structure, culture, and operational priorities. These meetings help build a strong, collaborative, and informed leadership team.

2. Understanding HRS Operations

The induction provides a comprehensive overview of Human Rights Solidarity's day-to-day operations, partnerships, and community projects. It also introduces our approach to advocacy, social justice, and human rights education.

3. Compliance with Health & Safety Regulations

All induction and training activities are carried out in full compliance with current Health & Safety standards, ensuring the safety and well-being of everyone involved.

4. Safeguarding and Volunteer Management

Safeguarding is a core component of all trustee and volunteer training. Participants receive clear guidance on HRS's safeguarding policies and procedures, including protocols for reporting concerns, supervising volunteers, and ensuring the welfare of all beneficiaries. We are committed to maintaining a safe, inclusive, and supportive environment for everyone who engages with our work.

To reinforce our commitment to accountability and excellence, all trustees are required to complete the ICAEW training modules and obtain certification. This process demonstrates their readiness to lead with integrity and uphold the highest safeguarding and governance standards.

Through this thorough and continuous training system, Human Rights Solidarity ensures that its trustees and volunteers are not only legally and financially competent but also deeply aligned with our mission, values, and duty of care towards every individual and community we serve.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The Trustees of Human Rights Solidarity confirm that they have conducted a comprehensive review of the principal risks and uncertainties facing the charity, in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and Charity Commission guidance on risk management (CC26). The Trustees recognise their overall responsibility for ensuring that appropriate systems and procedures are in place to identify, assess, and manage risk effectively.

The charity operates a formal risk management framework designed to safeguard its assets, reputation, and beneficiaries while supporting the achievement of its charitable objectives.

Our approach includes the following key components:

1. Comprehensive Risk Register

A detailed risk register is maintained and regularly updated. It identifies strategic, operational, financial, reputational, safeguarding, and compliance risks, along with the mitigating actions and responsible leads. This register serves as a central tool for continuous monitoring and accountability.

2. Regular Trustee Review

The Board of Trustees reviews the risk register on a rolling basis during quarterly meetings and whenever significant new risks arise. This process ensures that Trustees maintain an informed understanding of emerging risks and can respond promptly and proportionately.

3. Public Benefit and Compliance Assessment

When assessing risks, the Trustees give particular consideration to the charity's public benefit duty under the Charities Act 2011. This ensures that all activities remain compliant with charity law, align with our stated purposes, and continue to promote human rights and social justice in the public interest.

4. Operational and Administrative Oversight

The Management Board meets regularly to identify and manage day-to-day risks. These include issues related to safeguarding, data protection, financial management, and project delivery. Prompt reporting and escalation procedures are in place to ensure transparency and swift resolution.



5. Safeguarding and Data Protection

Specific attention is given to safeguarding vulnerable beneficiaries and to ensuring compliance with the UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018. Policies are reviewed annually, and all staff and volunteers receive relevant training.

Through these structured processes, Human Rights Solidarity maintains a proactive approach to risk management. The Trustees are satisfied that systems are in place to reduce exposure to major risks to an acceptable level, ensuring the charity remains resilient, compliant, and effective in delivering its mission.

FUNDRAISING STRATEGY

Fundraising Approach

As a growing charity, **Human Rights Solidarity**, continues to strengthen its fundraising capacity and diversify its income streams in line with best practice under the **Charity Commission's guidance on fundraising (CC20)**.

In 2024–2025, HRS achieved significant progress by **appointing a professional Fundraising Officer**, marking a key step towards building a sustainable and strategic fundraising framework. Our current fundraising structure includes:

- One professional Fundraising Officer
- One volunteer bidwriter.
- One trustee with responsibility for oversight of fundraising activities
- Three volunteers supporting donor engagement, community fundraising, and events

Our fundraising approach focuses on transparency, accountability, and long-term relationship building with donors and partners. We continue to prioritise the following funding streams:



1. **Trusts and Foundations** – A substantial proportion of our funding is secured through successful grant applications to charitable trusts, foundations, and philanthropic organisations.
2. **Individual Donations** – Regular and one-off contributions from individual supporters remain a vital component of our unrestricted income.
3. **Community and Online Fundraising** – We host digital campaigns and online events to expand our reach and attract new supporters.
4. **Corporate and Payroll Giving** – We are registering on major digital fundraising and corporate giving platforms, including **Benevity**, **Enthuse**, and **Give as You Live**, to reach a wider donor base and encourage workplace giving.
5. **Government and Local Authority Grants** – We are actively exploring opportunities for government-funded community programmes and public grant schemes to diversify our income portfolio.

Volunteering, Membership, and Community Engagement

HRS's **Volunteering and Membership Programme** continues to play a vital role in strengthening our community base and fostering sustained engagement.

By August 2025, our membership has grown to **over 200 members**, reflecting our expanding network of active supporters. Membership donations totalled approximately **£7,500** in the last financial year, providing essential unrestricted funding to sustain our human rights advocacy and community programmes.

Volunteer Members receive:

- Monthly newsletters and exclusive updates
- Priority invitations to events and training sessions
- Access to strategy and feedback discussions

We also make use of our **London Youth**, **DSC** and **NCVO** memberships to provide free and referred training sessions for volunteers and trustees, enhancing their fundraising, safeguarding, and leadership skills.

Fundraising Performance 2024–2025

The past year has seen strong fundraising performance, demonstrating effective management and community engagement.

- **Total funds raised:** £87,000
- **Cost of fundraising:** £3,450 (covering marketing, platform, and event costs)
- **Net funds secured for projects:** £83,550

This represents a high return on investment and a strong indicator of our growing fundraising capability.

In **December 2024**, HRS participated in the **Big Give Christmas Challenge** campaign with a target of **£6,999** and successfully raised **£7,500**, surpassing expectations. The funds were directed towards **human rights advocacy, legal aid support for refugees, and educational empowerment workshops for migrant women.**

Compliance and Standards

HRS is registered with the **Fundraising Regulator**, reaffirming our commitment to **ethical fundraising, transparency, and compliance with the Code of Fundraising Practice.**

All activities are conducted in accordance with:

- The **Charity Commission's CC20 guidance** on trustee fundraising responsibilities
- The **Fundraising Regulator's Code of Practice**
- The charity's internal **Safeguarding and Data Protection Policies**

Oversight of fundraising activity is ensured by:

- The **Public Benefit Committee**, which evaluates impact and compliance
- The **Board of Trustees**, which monitors strategic alignment with the charity's mission

Future Goals

Looking ahead to the **2025–2026 financial year**, Human Rights Solidarity aims to:

- Raise **£105,000** through a balanced mix of grants, donations, and memberships
- Expand the membership base to **over 250 active members**
- Strengthen engagement with major donors and corporate partners
- Register with additional **digital giving platforms** to enhance online visibility and participation
- Develop a pipeline for **government and local authority grant opportunities**
- Continue improving fundraising capacity through **trustee and volunteer training**

Through these strategic actions, Human Rights Solidarity is building a sustainable fundraising model that ensures financial resilience, promotes accountability, and enables the charity to continue its mission of advocating for change and empowering communities.

SERVICES, PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES

Overview

Human Rights Solidarity is dedicated to advocating for and supporting marginalised communities, including victims of human rights violations, refugees, migrants, and racially minoritised groups. Our mission is to promote and protect human rights, empower individuals through education, and facilitate social integration for disadvantaged populations, especially youth.

During 2024–25, HRS expanded the scale and geographic reach of its services. We continued to provide legal assistance, educational programmes, community engagement activities, social and sports initiatives, and advocacy efforts aimed at building the capacity of individuals to understand, defend, and enjoy their human rights. Our work supported asylum seekers and refugees through skill-building workshops, mentoring, psychosocial support, and public awareness campaigns designed to help them rebuild their lives, seek employment, and integrate confidently into society.

The organisation operates through a dedicated network of activists, educators, volunteers, and legal professionals. We strengthened partnerships with local councils, community centres, charities, migrant-led organisations, and schools to ensure that immigrant and refugee communities receive timely and appropriate support. Through structured initiatives such as digital literacy courses, mental well-being programmes, English & Rights classes, youth mentoring schemes, and employment support, we empowered hundreds of individuals to navigate life in the UK. Human rights education remained a central pillar in all capacity-building activities.

KEY AREAS OF OPERATION

Our activities in 2024–25 are categorised under the following main headings:

1. Training Activities

Education remained a cornerstone of our approach. We delivered periodic training programmes on human rights, activism, community organising, digital well-being, safeguarding, and organisational leadership. Workshops were tailored for youth, migrant women, and professionals in community support sectors. This year saw a significant increase in youth-focused digital well-being and online reading programmes across multiple UK regions.

2. Reporting Activities

Research and reporting continued to be a crucial pillar of our mission. HRS conducted evidence-based research and prepared detailed reports on rights violations and issues affecting vulnerable groups. These reports informed policy discussions, parliamentary briefings, and civil society advocacy at UK, European, and international levels.

3. Field Actions

Our activists continued to stand publicly against injustice and human rights violations. We participated in national and international human rights marches, organised public exhibitions such as the “Justice Wall,” hosted awareness campaigns, and carried out peaceful demonstrations, amplifying the voices of victims and highlighting systemic issues.



4. Legal & Economic Assistance

HRS provided guidance, referrals, and hardship support to asylum seekers, refugees, and vulnerable community members. We collaborated with legal professionals and specialist organisations to deliver accurate information on asylum procedures, rights awareness, and access to justice.

5. Public Awareness

We continued to implement public engagement initiatives aimed at improving understanding of human rights, immigration, and asylum. Our seminars, panel discussions, and community workshops encouraged the public to approach migrants and refugees with empathy, recognising their positive contributions to society.

6. Social Integration Support

We expanded integration-focused services with language support, employment training, digital literacy courses, youth mentoring, cultural programmes, sport activities and community social events. These activities helped individuals build social connections, develop new skills, and gain confidence in their new environment.

ADDITIONAL KEY AREAS OF OPERATION (PILOTED IN 2024–25 AND TO BE EXPANDED)

1. Research & Policy Development (piloted in 2024–25)

We initiated small-scale policy briefs and research activities on human rights concerns affecting migrants and refugees in the UK. Our aim is to develop this into a structured programme producing consultation responses, thematic research, and policy recommendations.

2. Legal Rights Awareness & Community Advocacy

While HRS does not engage in strategic litigation, we support communities by strengthening legal rights awareness and advocating on issues affecting daily life, including immigration procedures, integration barriers, discrimination, and youth safety challenges such as knife crime. This area will evolve into a proactive public policy and community legal education stream.

3. Crisis Response & Humanitarian Support (UK-Relevant)

Aligned with the UK context, we monitor and respond to human rights concerns affecting asylum seekers and vulnerable migrants, including risks of destitution, inadequate accommodation, and procedural injustices. We aim to build structured response mechanisms through partner-led humanitarian assistance.

4. Monitoring & Compliance Oversight (piloted in 2024–25)

We began piloting internal mechanisms for monitoring government policies, asylum processes, access-to-services trends, and compliance with international human rights standards. Future development will include structured monitoring of detention conditions, asylum case processing, and systemic risks.

5. Coalition-Building, International Partnerships & Institutional Engagement (piloted in 2024–25)

We explored partnerships with international organisations and EU-based networks. In the coming years, we plan to expand cooperation through consortium building for EU-funded projects, partnerships for cross-border human rights campaigns, and steps towards international institutional engagement such as potential ECOSOC membership efforts.

COMMUNICATION AND PUBLIC OUTREACH

Reaching diverse communities and aspiring activists remains a central priority for HRS. We continue to expand our engagement through seven specialist committees at our headquarters and 36 volunteer regional representatives across the UK.

Our key outreach activities include:

- Weekly and monthly online and in-person community forums
- Cross-sector partnerships with UK and international human rights organisations
- Public engagement events such as exhibitions, panels, conferences, and cultural programmes
- Digital advocacy campaigns on critical human rights issues
- Regular youth, women's, migrant, and regional committee meetings
- Human rights training and development programmes for young people and adults





CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR – EXPANSION OF SCALE & PARTICIPATION

2024–25 marked a major increase in both reach and impact:

- Participant numbers doubled in digital literacy, youth mentoring, and community education sessions.
- Geographic reach expanded to all UK regions through regional coordinators.
- Major expansion in youth programming, including “Unscreen Yourself”, knife crime prevention and cultural walking programmes.
- New partnerships with councils, community centres, and European human rights networks.
- Enhanced research capacity, with multiple submissions to UK, European, and international bodies.

These developments demonstrate substantial organisational growth and increased capacity to serve marginalised communities.

CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR – STRENGTHENING ORGANISATIONAL CAPACITY

HRS invested significantly in its internal systems during 2024–25:

- Recruitment of new coordinators and specialised volunteers
- Strengthened monitoring and evaluation procedures
- Expanded training for staff and volunteers
- Improved communication and coordination systems across regions
- Growth in fundraising capacity, enabling more sustainable long-term planning

KEY PROJECTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS: SUMMARY



Combating Hate Speech and Crimes Project

Objective: To identify and report hate speech and hate crimes rapidly spreading on social media and to take action to help prevent them.

Activities: Between **2024 and 2025**, approximately 20 volunteers monitored Turkish-language accounts on the social media platform X, reported hate speech, and submitted complaints to the platform. However, due to X's policy of protecting accounts that spread hate speech, the project was suspended at the end of the year.

Impact: Volunteers gained greater awareness of hate speech and related online offences. Many hateful posts were removed by the platform, and sanctions were imposed on several accounts.



Third and Fourth March for Justice in Strasbourg

Objective: To defend justice in the face of ongoing human rights violations in Türkiye and to call for the implementation of European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR) rulings.

Activities: HRS co-organized demonstrations in front of the Council of Europe building in Strasbourg, France. The third demonstration took place on **October 2, 2024**, and the fourth on **June 20, 2025**. As part of both events, HRS prepared a **15-meter-long "Justice Wall."** A group of HRS volunteers also took part in the **"Journey to the Rights"** cycling protest from London to Strasbourg. The six-member cycling team and other HRS volunteers joined over **3,000 participants from across Europe**, chanting for "law and justice."

Impact: The demonstrations drew attention to the Council of Europe's inaction regarding Türkiye's non-compliance with ECtHR rulings, raising both public and political awareness of the issue. HRS volunteers also gained valuable experience in exercising and advocating for their democratic rights before international institutions.



'World Human Rights Day Action' (December 10, 2024)

Objective: To raise public awareness of the significance of World Human Rights Day, promoted by the United Nations, and to contribute to society's understanding of rights and justice.

Activities: We erected a **15-meter-long "Justice Wall"** opposite the **Prime Minister's Residence (10 Downing Street)** in Whitehall. On this canvas wall, we displayed information highlighting human rights violations occurring in Türkiye and around the world. Hundreds of people wrote messages calling for the protection of human rights on the Justice Wall. HRS volunteers also interviewed participants about the significance of the day.

Impact: Hundreds of attendees—and many more who observed the event—became more aware of human rights and ongoing violations. The activity helped strengthen participants' sense of justice, equality, and civic responsibility.



Arezo: Remote Education Support for Afghan Girls

Objective: To provide distance learning opportunities for girls in Afghanistan who have been prevented from attending school or receiving an education under the Taliban regime.

Activities: Through the **"Arezo (Hope)"** project launched by the **HRS Women's Rights Committee**, nearly 100 Afghan girls received support in English and other basic subjects. Volunteer teachers based in Afghanistan contributed to delivering the lessons.

Impact: Girls who had been deprived of their right to education regained access to learning opportunities, even if in a limited capacity. More importantly, the project helped restore their hope for a better future.



Endangered Lawyers Day Action for Justice in Belarus

Objective: To raise awareness of the persecution of lawyers in Belarus and advocate for the release of imprisoned legal professionals.

Activities: On January 24, HRS held a demonstration in front of the Belarusian Embassy in London, calling for the release of lawyers imprisoned on politically motivated charges, including **Maxim Znakh**. The event urged the Belarusian government to end the prosecution and disbarment of legal professionals.

Impact: The action helped draw international attention to the situation of Belarusian lawyers. It received support from **UN Special Rapporteurs** and international legal organizations, and was referenced by **The Times**, amplifying the call for justice.



Panel on the Integration of Refugee Women at King's College

Objective: To present the results of HRS's survey assessing the integration experiences of refugee women of Turkish origin and to gather academic recommendations for improving integration outcomes.

Activities: On February 25, King's College London hosted a panel discussion titled **"Refugee Women and Integration,"** featuring experts from HRS, the University of Oxford, and the Refugee Employability Program. The event included a summary of the survey findings and academic insights on addressing the challenges refugee women face during the integration process.

Impact: The panel highlighted the comparatively positive integration experiences of Turkish-origin refugee women. Students, researchers, and refugee communities gained a deeper understanding of these women's integration journeys through comparative findings and evidence-based recommendations.



Refugee and Asylum Support & Integration Service

Objective: To provide practical, educational, and emotional support that helps refugees and asylum seekers navigate the asylum process, stabilise their lives, and integrate confidently into UK society.

Activities: HRS supported individuals with asylum applications, accommodation requests, and understanding Home Office correspondence. We signposted people to qualified immigration advisers, helped them prepare documents and evidence, and provided guidance on banking, budgeting, and accessing entitlements such as Universal Credit.

Impact: Service users gained clearer awareness of their rights, improved access to legal and welfare support, and felt less isolated and better informed. Our advocacy helped resolve issues around housing, benefits, and unfair treatment, contributing to safer and more stable lives for refugees and asylum seekers.

HRS Volunteer Training and Capacity Building Programme

Objective: To equip volunteers with essential skills in campaigning, community organising, communication, and human rights advocacy, while strengthening HRS's overall organisational capacity.

Activities: HRS created a structured training pathway accessible online and in person. Workshops cover the basics of campaigning, community organising, social media use, and meeting facilitation. Training also includes non-violent direct action, safety, risk awareness, de-escalation, and the legal responsibilities of different roles during public actions.

Impact: The programme develops volunteer skills in campaigning, public speaking, organising, and human rights work. Volunteers become more confident, informed, and effective, enabling HRS to deliver stronger projects, respond quickly to human rights issues, and build a skilled and resilient activist network across the UK.

Unscreen Yourself: Digital Wellbeing Workshop

Objective: To raise awareness among young students about digital dopamine addiction and promote healthier screen habits.

Activities: The HRS Youth Committee held interactive sessions with Year 7–9 students at Mentor Wise's weekend schools in North and South London. Through short discussions and activities, students explored why screens are addictive and how excessive use affects attention and well-being.

Impact: Students gained practical awareness of their digital habits and strategies to reduce screen time. The workshop also encouraged participation in the related book club, introducing human rights through engaging stories.

Oslo Freedom Forum Participation

Objective: To strengthen HRS's international advocacy by engaging with global human rights actors, building cross-border partnerships, and highlighting the ongoing persecution of Turkish dissidents.

Activities: HRS participated in the 2024–2025 Oslo Freedom Forum in Oslo, attending talks by prominent dissidents, workshops on movement-building, and panel discussions on democratic resilience. Our team connected with activists, journalists, and policymakers from over 40 countries and took part in joint advocacy initiatives.

Impact: The Forum broadened HRS's international network, enhanced collaboration opportunities, and increased global awareness of human rights violations in Türkiye. The insights gained will guide and strengthen our future advocacy efforts.





International Women's Day March with Million Women Rise

Objective: To highlight global gender-based violence and inequalities, with a special focus on women and girls denied access to education—particularly Afghan girls—and to amplify the voices of women facing systemic oppression.

Activities: On March 8, HRS joined the Million Women Rise march in London. The HRS Women's Rights Committee emphasized the issue of education rights during the demonstration. At Trafalgar Square, committee representative Asiye Betul delivered a powerful poetic speech addressing the injustices faced by women worldwide.

Impact: The march contributed to widespread visibility for women's rights issues, bringing diverse communities together in solidarity. HRS helped strengthen public awareness of gender-based violence and the educational exclusion of Afghan girls within one of the world's largest women-led demonstrations.



Participation in the 69th UN Commission on the Status of Women (CSW69)

Objective: To contribute to global dialogue on gender equality and amplify the voices of women from marginalized communities at a major UN platform.

Activities: From March 10–21, 2025, HRS took part in **14 panels** at CSW69 at the **UN Headquarters** in New York, joining sessions organised by the Journalists and Writers Foundation and partner NGOs from seven countries.

Impact: HRS helped bring diverse perspectives to an influential global forum, supporting efforts to address structural gender inequalities and advance commitments to women's rights worldwide.



Participation in a Community Event for Migrant Children

Objective: To support the social and emotional wellbeing of migrant children by creating a welcoming environment for confidence-building, self-expression, and community connection.

Activities: HRS joined a community event at Reading Community Hall attended by over 100 participants, including 52 migrant children. Our team led music, dance, and interactive speaking activities, and delivered an impromptu clown performance and workshop that encouraged play, communication, and trust-building.

Impact: Children gained confidence, built friendships, and improved social and language skills in a joyful, supportive setting. The event strengthened community ties and opened new opportunities for collaboration with local authorities on future integration and child well-being initiatives.



World Press Freedom Day Justice Wall Demonstration at The Guardian

Objective: To raise awareness of global threats to press freedom, highlight the situation of imprisoned journalists, and call for international solidarity against censorship and repression.

Activities: On May 3, World Press Freedom Day, HRS displayed the portraits of 11 imprisoned journalists—representing nearly 400 jailed worldwide—outside *The Guardian*'s London headquarters. A five-meter "Justice Wall" invited the public to write messages of support. Exiled Turkish and Ethiopian journalists, Guardian editors and reporters, and international press freedom organizations joined the demonstration.

Impact: The event amplified global concern over escalating attacks on independent journalism and honoured those imprisoned for reporting the truth. Strong participation from media professionals and human rights groups reinforced a unified call to defend justice and protect press freedom.



Right for Right: Cycling for Justice in Six Countries

Objective: To draw attention to ongoing human rights violations and legal injustices in Türkiye over the past decade, and to remind the Council of Europe of its responsibility to ensure the implementation of European Court of Human Rights (ECHR) rulings.

Activities: In June, HRS volunteers joined coordinated demonstrations across six countries, cycling varying distances in groups. Activists rode in **London (UK), Sydney (Australia), Amsterdam (Netherlands), Frankfurt (Germany), Bern (Switzerland), and Strasbourg (France)**—calling on Türkiye to restore the rule of law and democracy. Some volunteers also took part in the **Justice March** held in front of the Council of Europe in Strasbourg on 20 June.



Impact: Throughout their routes, activists raised awareness about human rights violations in Türkiye, informing local communities and gaining support for their demands. The campaign increased visibility of these issues across multiple countries and strengthened international solidarity.



Human Rights Workshop at London & Birmingham

Objective: To strengthen human rights awareness within the Turkish community by promoting learning, reflection, and dialogue, and to encourage individuals—especially young people—to engage in human rights advocacy.

Activities: HRS held full-day human rights workshops in **North London and Birmingham**, bringing together students and adults (**200** participants in total) to discuss the evolution of human rights, their roots in Islamic and international sources, and current global challenges. Sessions also addressed volunteering, feminism, and activism through social media. Interactive group activities encouraged participants to share perspectives and promote equality.

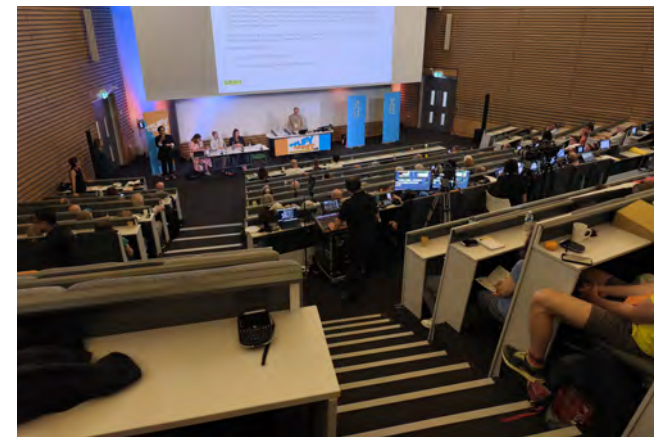
Impact: Participants gained a stronger understanding of human rights concepts and current issues, leaving motivated to advocate for dignity and justice in their communities. Certificates were awarded to recognise their engagement and learning.

Panel on Understanding Refugees at City St George's, University of London

Objective: To create an inclusive space for dialogue on displacement, home, and belonging during Refugee Week by bringing together diverse voices from academia, practice, and lived experience.

Events: HRS hosted a panel discussion at City St George's, University of London. The panel featured experts in law, community outreach, and human rights advocacy, as well as individuals with lived experience as refugees. Speakers shared insights on legal protections, integration challenges, and strengthening public narratives around displacement.

Impact: The event deepened the academic community's understanding of refugee issues and encouraged greater engagement with the realities of displacement. By amplifying refugee voices, the programme gained recognition on the university's official website, further enhancing HRS's visibility and credibility.



International Cartoon Competition and Exhibitions

Purpose: To communicate immigration and refugee issues to the public through the powerful and expressive storytelling of art and artists.

Events: Winning works from the *Humanity Cartoons* competition were exhibited at multiple venues, including universities such as King's College London and City St George's, University of London, as well as in cities including Oxford, Sheffield, Leeds, Liverpool, Manchester, Hull, and Newcastle.

Impact: The exhibitions offered the public an opportunity to learn about the experiences of immigrants and refugees, fostering greater understanding and empathy for their challenges.

Attending Amnesty International Annual General Meeting

Objective: To strengthen HRS's advocacy practice, connect with peer human rights organisations, and align our strategic direction with broader UK human rights movements.

Activities: HRS delegates attended the Amnesty International UK AGM on 5–6 July 2025 at the University of Warwick. They participated in workshops and sessions on activism, movement resilience, political prisoners, refugee rights, and organisational development. Delegates also exercised voting rights on key resolutions and joined wellbeing and peer-support activities for frontline activists.

Impact: The AGM provided strategic insight into global human rights challenges, improved our understanding of refugee and border issues, and reinforced our approach to supporting political prisoners. Wellbeing sessions strengthened internal resilience, while organisational guidance will inform HRS's long-term planning and strategic review.

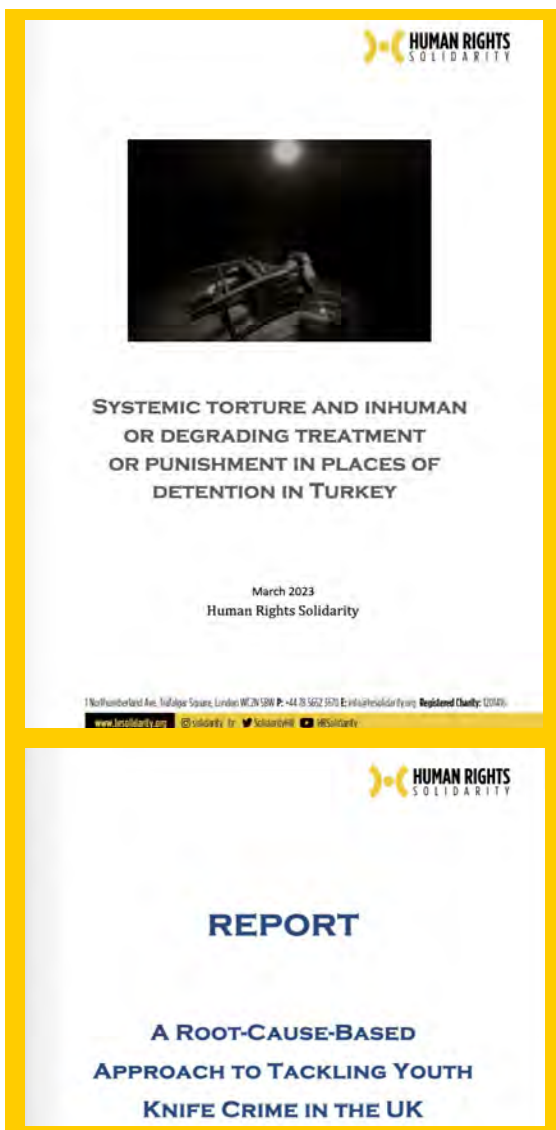


Radio Solidarity – Ongoing Podcast Series on Spotify

Objective: To deepen public understanding of UK and global human rights issues through accessible, conversation-led podcasts and to encourage young listeners to engage in informed advocacy.

Activities: HRS produced monthly *Radio Solidarity* episodes on Spotify and other platforms. Highlights included an interview with Dr. Chloe Gilgan on the Responsibility to Protect (R2P) and refugee protection, and a discussion with Uyghur poet and academic Aziz Isa Elkun on human rights abuses in Xinjiang.

Impact: The series made complex human rights topics more understandable, particularly for students and young activists. Listeners reported increased awareness, empathy, and motivation to stay engaged. The project also gave HRS volunteers hands-on experience in research, interviewing, and ethical storytelling, strengthening youth-led advocacy.



Reports and Proposals to National and International Organizations

Objective: To inform and influence national and international policymaking for the advancement and protection of human rights.

Activities: In 2024, Turkey was selected as HRS's primary focus country, leading to the preparation and submission of four detailed Universal Periodic Review (UPR) reports to the United Nations. Alongside these international submissions, HRS produced a comprehensive research report on youth knife crime in England, analysing its social, economic, and structural dimensions.

The knife crime report, *A Root Cause Based Approach to Tackling Youth Knife Crime in the UK*, examined underlying drivers such as socioeconomic deprivation, the exploitation of youth by criminal networks, and the mental health challenges facing vulnerable communities. The research underscored the need for early interventions, community-led strategies, and policy reforms grounded in human rights and public health principles. Key insights highlighted the importance of coordinated, multi-agency approaches involving educators, healthcare professionals, social workers, the NHS, and law enforcement to achieve lasting change.

Impact: Through these national and international submissions, HRS contributed to the identification and prevention of human rights violations, informed public policy discussions, and raised awareness around pressing issues affecting both the UK and global communities. The evidence-based analysis presented in our reports helped shape dialogue among policymakers, civil society actors, and international bodies.



UN Human Rights Reporting and UPR Engagement

Objective: To document human rights violations in Türkiye and contribute evidence-based reports to the United Nations Human Rights Council, ensuring international scrutiny and accountability.

Activities: Building on previous years' UPR submissions on children's rights, press freedom, torture, religious persecution, and Türkiye's compliance with 216 UPR recommendations, HRS continued its documentation and advocacy efforts. Key activities included:

- Updating and expanding our human rights database to support accurate reporting.
- Preparing social media leaflets, infographics, and communication materials to raise awareness.
- Sharing findings with partner organizations to enhance coordinated advocacy.
- Preparing additional inputs for the 49th UPR Session, focusing on ongoing violations and emerging patterns of repression.

Impact: HRS strengthened the evidence base available to UN mechanisms, ensuring that continuing human rights violations in Türkiye remain visible in international forums. Our streamlined publicity and data efforts improved accuracy, expanded reach, and supported collaborative advocacy to influence global human rights policymaking.





FUNDED PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES

Breakfast, Talk and Walk: Learn Your Rights and British History at Roundtable

Objective: To strengthen social cohesion and deepen rights awareness by bringing together young people, asylum seekers, refugees, and local residents for regular discussions on British history, democracy, and social issues.

Events:

- Monthly roundtable breakfast sessions were held over an 18-month period.
- The programme concluded in April 2025, with an average attendance of 15–20 participants per session.
- Thematic discussions focused on British history, human rights, media, governance, and youth safety.
- Educational visits and exercise walks took place in parks, museums, and historic sites to support wellbeing and cultural learning.

Funding and Support:

- **Greater London Authority (GLA)** – Building Strong Communities Fund.
- **Go! London Foundation Grant** – Breakfast, Walk, and Learn British History and Your Rights project.

Impact:

- Increased participants' understanding of democratic values and human rights.
- Reduced social isolation and strengthened community relationships and integration.
- Improved physical fitness and mental wellbeing through long group walks.

Youth Community Project – Hoops for Hope (Completed)

Objective: To support the integration, social well-being, and empowerment of immigrant and refugee youth through basketball training and mentoring.

Activities:

- Weekly supervised basketball training sessions.
- The programme concluded in **June 2025**, with an average weekly participation of **20 students** and a total reach of **100 young people**.
- Activities promoted social participation and community integration through sport.

Financial Support & Partnerships:

- **Sport England** – Small Grants Programme
- **National Express Foundation Grant** – provided funding for expanding the initiative
- **Mentor Wise (North London Branch)** – delivered sessions within a weekend school setting

Impact:

- Improved physical and mental well-being among immigrant and refugee youth.
- Reduced social isolation by offering a structured, positive recreational environment.
- Strengthened community cohesion through regular, team-based sports activities.

Move and Muse: Walking Through History in Central London

Objective: To deepen participants' understanding of the UK's heritage while offering refugees and migrants the opportunity to explore London's rich history and culture.

Activities:

- Regular and guided historical walking tours.
- Approximately **30 refugees and migrants** participate in each session.
- Tours are led by experienced guides and include visits to London's major historic sites, museums, and cultural landmarks.

Financial Support:

- London (TfL) – Walking and Cycling Grants London (WGCL) programme

Impact:

- Enhanced participants' knowledge of British history and culture.
- Supported social and cultural integration into UK society.
- Promoted physical and mental well-being through regular group walks and shared learning experiences.

Speak, Act, Integrate: Refugee Women's Empowerment Project

Objective: To create a safe and inclusive space in London where refugee women can learn, connect, and build confidence through language training, creative activities, and community support.

Activities:

- Weekly three-hour English lessons for Turkish-speaking refugee women.
- Interactive sessions led by an expert instructor, with active participation from students.
- A total of 20 women took part, practising English and strengthening communication skills.

Funding and Support:

- Big Give Christmas Grant
- Comic Relief Community Fund
- The Swan Mountain Trust

Impact:

- Improved English-speaking skills and a deeper understanding of British culture.
- Increased self-confidence and strengthened social connections among participants.
- Supported women's integration and enhanced their sense of belonging in their local communities.

Community Project – Human Rights Training for Migrants

Objective: To provide essential human rights training to migrants, particularly focusing on asylum seekers, empowering them with knowledge of their rights in the UK.

Activities:

- Titled Welcome Aboard: Immigrant Transition & Support Services project provided human rights training sessions.
- Sessions attended by around 450 individuals, primarily Turkish asylum seekers and refugees.
- Plans for expanding the program to include asylum seekers from other nationalities.

Funding & Support:

- National Lottery Community Fund Grant.
- Edgar E Lawley Foundation Grant

Impact:

- Equipped asylum seekers with essential knowledge to navigate life in the UK.
- Empowered migrants to advocate for their rights and well-being.
- Created a support network for vulnerable individuals facing integration challenges.

Knife Crime Project – Protect Our Youth

Objective: To address the rising rates of youth knife crime in England by identifying root causes, raising awareness, and equipping young people and their families with strategies to stay safe. The project aims to promote a community-based, preventative, and human-rights-centred response.

Activities:

- Conducted research on the socioeconomic and psychological factors contributing to youth knife crime.
- Delivered awareness workshops for young people, parents, and community members.
- Facilitated discussion sessions around safety, risk factors, and early intervention approaches.

- Engaged local schools, youth groups, and community organisations to disseminate findings.
- Developed accessible materials—leaflets, infographics, and briefings—to support public understanding.

Funding & Support:

- The Law Society Charity
- Garfield Weston Foundation
- Asda Foundation

Impact:

- Increased awareness among families and young people on the risks and root causes of knife crime.
- Strengthened community capacity to identify early warning signs and support at-risk youth.
- Contributed to evidence-based dialogue on human-rights-oriented approaches to youth violence.
- Supported safer, more informed communities equipped with tools to protect vulnerable young people.

Youth Empowerment – YACT: Empowering Immigrant Youth

Objective:

To support immigrant and refugee youth in developing confidence, leadership skills, and a stronger sense of belonging in the UK.

Activities:

- Delivered regular youth empowerment sessions focusing on leadership, communication, and wellbeing.
- Organised mentoring support for immigrant youth facing integration challenges.
- Provided social, educational, and recreational activities to strengthen peer networks.
- Engaged families and community organisations to reinforce positive youth development.

Funding & Support:

- The Weaver Trust
- SYP Trust
- Tesco Stronger Start (Healthy Futures)

Impact:

- Improved confidence, resilience, and social integration among immigrant youth.
- Strengthened support systems through mentoring and community engagement.
- Helped young people feel more connected, supported, and empowered in their new environment.

In addition to the funded projects, we applied for and received funding from various sources to support its initiatives:

1. Ford Trust Small Grant & Ten percent Foundation – Small grant for IT equipment, specifically a tablet to enhance digital access for training sessions.

2. Hilden Trust Grant – to fund 24 human rights workshops for refugees and asylum seekers over 24 months. The workshops cover topics such as discrimination, legal rights, healthcare, education, and employment to empower participants with knowledge and advocacy skills.

3. The Barclays Community Sport Fund – Women's Football & Fitness for Refugee Communities – Funding to deliver a football and fitness programme designed specifically for refugee and immigrant women, promoting physical wellbeing, confidence, and community connection through weekly sport and fitness sessions.

HRS successfully secured multiple grants to support youth, asylum seekers, and migrants through sports, education, and community-based initiatives. The organization has demonstrated a strong impact by fostering integration, well-being, and empowerment in migrant communities across the UK.



CASE STUDY

My Journey with HRS: Finding Purpose, Community, and Solidarity

During my time living in Newcastle in 2023, I volunteered with another respected charity. It was through our jointly organised "Humanity Cartoons" exhibition that I first connected with HRS. As a lawyer from Turkey, I was naturally drawn to the human rights focus of the exhibition and the involved organisations. After moving to London, I began volunteering with HRS in March 2024 and transitioned to a part-time role in June 2024, a position I have held since August.

In my time with HRS, I have actively contributed to various projects, including initiatives aimed at combating hate speech. I also chair both the Migrant Rights Committee and the Turkish Lawyers' Adaptation Group, continuing to lead these efforts. Additionally, I helped organise Human Rights Education Days and hosted one of the sessions. We continue to curate "Humanity Cartoons" exhibitions in different cities, expressing migrant experiences through art has been both empowering and deeply meaningful for me.

Through HRS, I have built strong and sincere friendships. These relationships have been instrumental in helping me establish a social circle in the UK and avoid feelings of isolation. The working environment at HRS is inclusive, supportive, and inspiring, where I feel heard, valued, and able to express myself freely. Working alongside people from diverse cultural backgrounds has strengthened my empathy, communication, and intercultural collaboration skills.

One of the greatest values HRS has provided me is the opportunity to experience the power of solidarity, collective effort, and meaningful contribution to society. This journey has significantly enriched both my personal and professional development.

Zehra Kucukarslan



Plans for Future Periods

During the 2024–2025 reporting year, Human Rights Solidarity strengthened its organisational foundation, expanded its volunteer network, and developed a broader portfolio of educational, advocacy, and community programmes. Building on this momentum, HRS will continue to scale its impact throughout 2025–2026 with a strategic focus on growth, capacity-building, and deeper engagement across the UK and internationally.

Personnel and Volunteer Expansion

HRS will continue to expand its staff team, regional representatives, and volunteer base to meet increased programme demand. Strengthening coordination systems, enhancing training, and expanding committee structures will remain core priorities to ensure high-quality delivery of our advocacy, education, and community projects.

Enhanced Human Rights Training and Education

Following significant growth in our educational programmes—particularly human rights workshops, digital well-being training, and refugee integration courses—HRS plans to broaden its training offer to reach more communities. This will include expanded workshops on governance, youth empowerment, digital resilience, and rights awareness for asylum seekers and refugees.

Strengthened Advocacy, Monitoring, and Reporting

HRS will intensify its documentation of human rights violations, particularly those affecting refugees, migrants, legal professionals, and victims of political persecution. We will expand engagement with UK institutions, the European human rights system, and the United Nations through policy submissions, public events, and international advocacy initiatives.

Deepening Community-Based Initiatives

HRS will continue to deliver and expand projects such as women's empowerment programmes, youth violence prevention workshops, intercultural community events, sports-based inclusion activities, Human Rights Day actions, and the Humanity Cartoons exhibitions. These initiatives will promote integration, well-being, and public awareness across diverse communities.

Institutional Development and International Accreditation

To strengthen its long-term influence, HRS will continue pursuing international accreditations including ECOSOC consultative status and strengthen partnerships with universities, civil society networks, and international human rights organisations. This will further enhance HRS's participation in global dialogue and extend opportunities for youth and volunteers.

Expanding Policy Engagement and Research

HRS will continue developing its research and policy capacity, producing thematic briefings, consultation responses, and evidence-based reports particularly in areas such as refugee integration, freedom of expression, youth safety, and gender equality.

Overall Goal for 2025–2026

HRS will consolidate the achievements of 2024–2025 while expanding its reach, advancing public understanding of human rights, and strengthening community resilience. Guided by its mission and values, the organisation remains committed to promoting justice, dignity, and equality for all. Outlined below are the key activities planned for the next period.

Community Picnic – Bringing Joy and Connection

Objective: To reduce social isolation and build stronger community ties by bringing together immigrants, refugees, and local residents in an inclusive outdoor setting.

Strategy: We will organise "Together: A Community Picnic at North London", offering shared food, games, and cultural activities to encourage conversation and connection. With support from the Mayor of London and the Community Fund, the event will foster intercultural understanding and a sense of belonging for all participants.

Endangered Lawyers Day – International Solidarity Action

Objective: To raise global awareness of the persecution of lawyers and judges, highlight this year's focus on the United States, and demonstrate solidarity with legal professionals facing intimidation, sanctions, and politically motivated prosecutions.

Strategy: To mark Endangered Lawyers Day, HRS will coordinate international actions, including a gathering in The Hague to highlight threats faced by lawyers worldwide. British legal professionals, bar associations, and human rights partners will be invited to join in solidarity. An HRS delegation will travel from the UK to participate in the action outside the International Criminal Court (ICC).

The Fourth Humanity Cartoons Competition Will Be Held

Objective: To highlight issues related to refugees, migration, and racism through powerful and nuanced artistic expression, and to foster public awareness and dialogue that contribute to meaningful solutions.

Strategy: The European-based International Journalists Association (IJA) will join the organising team of the international cartoon competition, previously coordinated by HRS and Time to Help UK. This expanded partnership strengthens the competition's organisational capacity. The new theme, 'One Race: Human' aims to draw attention to the growing threat of racism and promote a message of unity and equality.

Expanding Radio Solidarity – Engaging Influential Voices

Objective: To broaden the impact of the Radio Solidarity podcast by featuring influential academics, policymakers, and practitioners to discuss major human rights issues, with a focus on youth violence and knife crime prevention.

Strategy: Over the next year, HRS will host experts from universities, youth services, and UK institutions to discuss the causes of youth violence and practical prevention strategies. By engaging researchers and policymakers, the podcast will support informed advocacy and strengthen HRS's work on youth safety and human rights education.

School of Governance (SoG) – Leadership for Future Changemakers

Objective: To equip a new generation of leaders with the knowledge, skills, and networks needed to advance democracy, human rights, and ethical governance, strengthening HRS's long-term impact in civil society and public policy.

Strategy: HRS launched the School of Governance (SoG) in early 2025, admitting thirteen students and early-career professionals to its first cohort. The programme offers seminars, book circles, and workshops on governance, the rule of law, and human rights, alongside training in communication and media literacy. Participants attend key political events and complete placements with HRS or partner organisations. Each student is assigned a mentor and produces a policy brief or research project. Next year, HRS will expand partnerships to provide additional internship and career development opportunities.

Human Rights Iftar and Christmas Dinner Gatherings

Objective: To use shared meals and community dialogue to counter division, challenge hate, and strengthen solidarity among diverse faith communities, while raising awareness of HRS's human rights mission.

Strategy: HRS will host a large Community Iftar and Christmas Dinner, bringing together faith and community leaders to discuss human rights and the dangers of antisemitism and Islamophobia. We will also hold smaller themed iftar gatherings to deepen networking and collaboration, promote HRS projects, encourage donations, and build lasting partnerships for social cohesion.

HRS Team Participation in Party Conferences

Objective: To engage with policymakers, legal experts, and civil society at party conferences in order to strengthen public support for human rights, promote restorative justice, and defend safeguards that protect the rule of law.

Strategy: HRS will attend the annual conferences of the Labour, Conservative, and Liberal Democrat parties next year. We will take part in key discussions, panels, and roundtables on youth violence, access to justice, and threats to judicial independence. We will also collaborate with international legal organisations, raise concerns about political interference in the justice system, and emphasize the importance of protecting lawyers and judges so they can uphold the rule of law safely and independently.

Youth Violence Prevention Workshop in High Schools and Colleges

Objective: To equip young people with practical tools for resilience, self-esteem, and positive identity development as part of early intervention to prevent youth violence, including knife-crime incidents.

Strategy: Building on a criminology report produced by students at City St George's, University of London, HRS will deliver youth violence prevention workshops in high-risk schools and universities. Using open dialogue, mentoring, and creative activities, the project will provide safer alternatives to gang influence. With support from partners and funders, these workshops will be integrated into our Youth Ambassador programmes to strengthen students' confidence, purpose, and sense of community.

10-Meter "Justice Wall" Opposite Downing Street

Objective: To install a 10×2.5-meter Justice Wall opposite the Prime Minister's residence at 10 Downing Street on Human Rights Day, raising public awareness of global human rights violations.

Strategy: The Justice Wall will be set up on Whitehall, where participants will be invited to write or draw messages reflecting the meaning and importance of Human Rights Day. HRS volunteers will also conduct brief interviews with visitors and share them on social media to amplify the impact of the event.

More Humanity Cartoons Exhibitions in Prestigious Venues

Objective: To broaden the impact of the *Humanity Cartoons* project by exhibiting refugee- and rights-focused artworks in prominent public and institutional spaces, increasing understanding, empathy, and support for human rights.

Strategy: HRS will develop an annual exhibition plan aligned with Refugee Week and key human rights dates. The programme will feature a travelling exhibition and select gallery or reception events at partner venues to promote refugee rights, encourage dialogue, and support advocacy and networking.

Delivering the 'Speak, Act, Integrate' Project to New Communities

Objective: To support the integration of refugee women in London by improving their language skills, knowledge of British culture, self-confidence, and social connections through weekly learning and creative activities.

Strategy: We will continue the practical English course funded by the Big Give campaign and Comic Relief. While the programme currently serves refugee women of Turkish origin, we plan to expand it to include women from other refugee and immigrant communities.

Increasing International Accreditations

Objective: To complete the accreditation processes we have initiated for obtaining membership and consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and similar international bodies.

Strategy: To secure ECOSOC consultative status, NGO registration with the European Commission, and other relevant accreditations that will strengthen our international recognition and engagement.

International Women's Day Initiatives

Objective: To actively participate in International Women's Day events and advance new projects that protect, promote, and strengthen women's rights.

Strategy: As in previous years, members of the HRS Women's Rights Committee will join the International Women's Day March in London, advocating for gender equality and raising their voices on behalf of women worldwide facing human rights violations. Through visible participation and strong messaging, the committee will highlight ongoing injustices and reinforce HRS's commitment to women's rights and global solidarity.

PACE Observation Mission – Council of Europe

Objective: To strengthen HRS's engagement with European human rights institutions by monitoring democratic and human rights developments at PACE and sharing key insights with the public.

Strategy: HRS will attend selected 2025 PACE sessions in Strasbourg as an independent observer, focusing on debates related to democracy, human rights, migration, and justice reform. After each visit, HRS will release a short report summarising key discussions and their relevance to the UK and Europe.

Organising More 'Unscreen Yourself' Workshops Across Schools in London

Objective: To improve young people's well-being, focus, and digital resilience by expanding the *Unscreen Yourself* programme across London schools and helping students better understand and manage their digital habits.

Strategy: HRS will develop *Unscreen Yourself* into a year-round educational programme delivered in partnership with schools, youth organisations, and local authorities. The initiative will continue to explore digital dopamine loops, variable-reward technologies, and the impact of digital overuse on attention, motivation, and mental health, providing students with practical tools for healthier technology use.

Universal Jurisdiction and the Future of Accountability – Public Seminar

Objective: To strengthen international advocacy on accountability for serious human rights violations by bringing together leading legal experts, policymakers, and practitioners for a public seminar on universal jurisdiction and emerging trends in international justice.

Strategy: HRS will co-organise a seminar with international legal partners to examine the potential and limitations of universal jurisdiction, the legacy of the Pinochet case, and current political obstacles. The panel will feature Dr. Carlos Castresana—who initiated the Pinochet proceedings—and other experts in international criminal law (TBC). Moderated by HRS's Executive Director, the seminar

will explore how international justice can regain deterrent power, protect victims, and challenge impunity.

Developing Volunteer Programs in Academia

Objective: To participate in university volunteer fairs, establish Human Rights Solidarity clubs at universities where our volunteers are based, and engage aspiring activists who contact us through our website and social media channels.

Strategy: We will raise awareness about human rights violations through collaborative projects with universities and student groups. By harnessing the energy and academic knowledge of young people, we aim to develop new initiatives that contribute to preventing human rights abuses and expanding youth-led advocacy.

Press Freedom Protest for Imprisoned Journalists

Objective: To mark World Press Freedom Day by protesting media repression in countries such as Turkey, Russia, Eritrea, Vietnam, and China, and to demand freedom and protection for persecuted journalists.

Strategy: On World Press Freedom Day, the HRS Freedom of Expression Committee will organise a protest in front of the BBC or The Guardian headquarters to highlight political repression in countries lacking press freedom. HRS will display its “Wall of Justice” installation to draw attention to imprisoned and silenced journalists and to call for global solidarity and stronger protection for media workers.

Expanded Annual Human Rights Training Programs

Objective: To broaden the reach of existing human rights training programs—previously focused on the Turkish community—so they include wider local and international communities.

Strategy: HRS will expand its educational initiatives by offering more training sessions that build human rights knowledge and practical activism skills. These programmes will actively involve HRS regional representatives, members, and diverse community groups, ensuring broader participation and stronger, more inclusive human rights awareness.

Solidarity with Humanitarian Rescuers and Refugees in Greece

Objective: To defend the right to save lives at sea, support human rights defenders facing criminalisation, and strengthen HRS’s solidarity with refugees and humanitarian workers in Greece.

Strategy: Building on our public statement and advocacy for Seán Binder and his co-defendants, HRS will continue monitoring the case, raising awareness about the criminalisation of humanitarian work, and coordinating with partner organisations to call for all charges to be dropped. In the coming year, HRS plans to visit Greece—including Lesbos and nearby refugee sites—to meet with local NGOs, refugees, and humanitarian workers and strengthen collaborative efforts.

Advocacy for Individuals Facing Transnational Repression

Objective: To contribute to the wider protection of individuals affected by transnational repression by raising awareness, documenting concerns, and engaging with relevant organisations when safety risks are identified.

Strategy: HRS will continue monitoring situations in which refugees and migrants may face cross-border pressure or intimidation. Where appropriate, we will compile general information on risk patterns, share concerns with trusted partners, and signpost individuals to specialised agencies and international bodies that provide protection support. HRS will also continue to collaborate with civil society networks to highlight systemic issues, promote safe pathways, and advocate for stronger safeguards for at-risk communities.

School of Governance and Internship Project

Objective: Provide governance training to our volunteers, including visits to Parliament, councils, and courts, and offer internship opportunities within higher levels of bureaucracy.

Strategy: We plan to launch this project in early 2026, combining theoretical and practical training programs. The curriculum will feature online courses, guided readings, regular visits to various institutions and organizations, and internship placements for participants.

Human Rights Solidarity's strategic plans for 2025–2026 reflect our continued commitment to deepening our impact, expanding our educational and community programmes, and further strengthening our organisational capacity. These priorities will guide our efforts to promote human rights, support marginalised communities, and foster active civic participation across the UK and beyond. As we move into the coming year, we remain steadfast in our mission to drive meaningful change, amplify the voices of those we serve, and uphold the dignity and rights of all individuals.

Our Main Office: Human Rights Solidarity's main office, located at Rex House on Regent Street in London, serves as the hub for our organizational activities. This space not only houses our administrative and executive teams but also provides a venue for meetings, training sessions, and workshops. It is equipped to support our various programs and serves as a central point for coordination of our national and international initiatives.



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FINANCIAL REVIEW (2024–2025)

Overview of the Financial Year

This financial review covers the period from 1 September 2024 to 31 August 2025. During this year, Human Rights Solidarity strengthened its financial base through increased grant funding, steady charitable trading income, and consistent community donations. Careful financial management allowed the organisation to maintain operational stability while expanding its programmes and outreach.

Financial Performance

HRS reported a total income of £110,191 for the financial year. Grants and funds continued to form the core of our income and accounted for approximately 68% of total revenue (£75,379). Charitable trading activities contributed around 21% (£22,750.00), reflecting increased programme delivery and community engagement. Donations and legacies made up the remaining 11% (£12,012), demonstrating ongoing support from individuals and community stakeholders.

Total cost of governance costs amounted to £14,920, and all charitable activity expenses of £92,019 were considered, the charity closed the year with a net operating income of £3,202. This surplus reflects the organisation's effective financial management and its ability to support programme growth while maintaining overall financial stability.

Income and Expenditure

Overall expenditure reflected the expansion of activities across multiple regions. Payroll and rent remained the largest cost areas, alongside necessary travel and programme delivery expenses. Despite these commitments, HRS managed its resources effectively and concluded the year with a healthy surplus of £3,202, ensuring financial continuity going into the next financial period.

Balance Sheet and Reserves Position

As of 31 August 2025, the charity held total net assets of £45,392. Cash at bank amounted to £38,094, supported by £11,500.00 in debtors and £979 in tangible assets.

Reserves Policy

The trustees maintain a reserves policy to ensure the charity can continue operating and meet its obligations in the event of unexpected financial pressures or fluctuations in income. HRS aims to hold unrestricted reserves equivalent to five to six months of core operating costs, providing stability and enabling effective forward planning. The trustees consider this reserve level appropriate for the charity's size, risk profile, and future commitments. The organization is developed a formal reserves policy to ensure long-term financial stability and sustainability.

Operating Costs and Going Concern Assessment

The Trustees and Management Team have reviewed HRS's financial position, projected income, and operational commitments. With strong reserves, diversified funding sources, and well-managed expenditure, the charity is considered financially secure. The Trustees are confident that HRS will continue to operate effectively and meet its charitable aims throughout the next year.

Fundraising and Budget Management

Fundraising remained a key area of focus during 2024–2025. The organisation successfully secured several grants and strengthened relationships with existing funders. Trustees continue to oversee budgetary planning to ensure that expenditure remains proportionate to income and aligned with strategic objectives. The charity is also progressing its efforts to access new funding streams, including partnerships that enable participation in international and EU-related grant opportunities.

Anti-Fraud and Financial Controls

The trustees take the protection of the charity's assets seriously and have implemented proportionate financial controls to prevent and detect fraud or mismanagement. These include:

- dual-authorisation for payments,
- regular finance monitoring by trustees,
- documented financial procedures, and
- annual independent examination of accounts.

No incidents of fraud were identified during the reporting period.

Trustee Remuneration and Related Parties

No trustee received remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year. Trustees are reimbursed only for reasonable expenses incurred while carrying out their duties, in line with the charity's policies. There were no related-party transactions requiring disclosure under the Charities SORP.

Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for ensuring that the financial statements comply with UK law and relevant accounting standards. They are committed to maintaining transparency, accuracy, and accountability in reporting the charity's financial position.

This Annual Report confirms that HRS remains in a stable financial position and is well-placed to deliver continued growth and impact in the coming year.

The Trustees' Report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 8 December 2025 and is signed on behalf of the Board by:

Mehmet Ozdemir
Chair and Trustee

HUMAN RIGHTS SOLIDARITY

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO TRUSTEES OF HUMAN RIGHTS SOLIDARITY

I report on the accounts of the charity for the period ended 31 August 2025 which are set out on pages 40 to 50

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (a) to (c) of the 2006 Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations. explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention other than disclosed below.

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 8 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations have not been met, or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

AA Accountancy Services
Chartered Certified Accountant

244 Chase Road, London, N14 6HH

Date: 07/01/2026

HUMAN RIGHTS SOLIDARITY
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(Incorporating income and expenditure account)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
INCOME AND EXPENDITURES					
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming resources from generated funds:					
Voluntary income	2	87391	0	87,391	76,015
Activities for generating funds	3	22750	0	22750	2000
Investment income	4		0	0	0
Incoming resources from charitable activities	5		0	0	0
Other incoming resources	6	0	-	0	0
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		<u>110141</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>110141</u>	<u>78015</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
charitable Activities	7	92019	0	92019	55422
Governance Costs	8	14920	0	14920	3976
Other resources expended	9	0	0	0	0
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	11	<u>106939</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>106939</u>	<u>59398</u>
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES					
before transfers	21	3202	0	3202	18617
Transfers between funds		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR		3202	0	3202	18617
Total Funds at 1 JULY 2024		42190	0	42190	23573
Prior Year Adjustment (Note 20)		0	0	0	0
Total Funds at 31 AUGUST 2025		<u>45392</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>45392</u>	<u>42190</u>

The notes on pages 48 to 56 form part of these accounts.

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 AUGUST 2025

	Notes	2025	2024
FIXED ASSETS		£	£
Tangible assets	15	979	884
Programme related investments	16	0	0
		<u>979</u>	<u>884</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	17	11500	0
Investments		0	0
Cash at bank and in hand		38094	42024
		<u>49594</u>	<u>42024</u>
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	18	<u>-5181</u>	<u>-718</u>
Net current assets / (liabilities)		44413	41306
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due more than one year	19	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>45392</u>	<u>42190</u>
CHARITY FUNDS			
Restricted funds	21	0	0
Unrestricted funds	21	45392	42190
		<u>45392</u>	<u>42190</u>

The notes on pages 48 to 56 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 7 January 2026 and signed on its behalf by Mehmet Ozdemir, Chair.

Mehmet Ozdemir
Chairman

**HUMAN RIGHTS SOLIDARITY
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008). The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' published in March 2005 and applicable accounting standards.

1.2 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

1.3 Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of financial activities when the charity has entitlement to the funds, certainty of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donated services or facilities, which comprise donated services, are included in income at a valuation which is an estimate of the financial cost borne by the donor where such a cost is quantifiable and measurable. No income is recognised where there is no financial cost borne by a third party.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable

1.4 Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been included under expense categories that aggregate all costs for allocation to activities. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular activities they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of the resources.

Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is made except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end are noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

1.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

All assets costing more than £500 are capitalised.

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Fixtures and fittings	25% reducing balance
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1.6 Foreign currencies

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date.

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate ruling on the date of the transaction.

Exchange gains and losses are recognised in the Statement of financial activities.

1.7 Programme related investment

Programme related investments are stated at the cost of investment.

2. VOLUNTARY INCOME	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Donations	12012	0	12012	6776
Grants	75379		75379	69239
Voluntary Income	87391	0	87391	76015

3. TRADING ACTIVITIES	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Charity trading income				
Charity trading income-Domestic	22750	-	22750	2000
Net income from trading activities	22750	0	22750	2000

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4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Rental Income		0	0	0

5. INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Educational Activities		0	0	0

6. OTHER INCOMING RESOURCES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Other incoming resources		0	0	0

7. EXPENDITURE BY CHARITABLE ACTIVITY

SUMMARY BY FUND TYPE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Direct costs	92019	0	92019	55422
Governance costs	14920		14920	3976
	106939	0	106939	59398

SUMMARY BY EXPENDITURE TYPE

	Staff Costs £	Other Costs £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Charitable Activities	53071	53868	106939	59398
Investment Income			0	0
	53071	53868	106939	59398

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8. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Governance- Accountants fees	600		600	600
Governance - Premises costs for head office	1984	0	1984	1425
Governance expense - wages and salaries	9800	0	9800	1377
Governance expense - NI	2242	0	2242	574
Governance - depreciation - tangible fixed assets	294		294	
	<u>14920</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>14920</u>	<u>3976</u>

9. OTHER RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Loss((profit) on disposal of fixed asset	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

10. DIRECT COSTS

	Basis of Allocation	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Cost of charitable activities	Direct	19842	0	19842	25007
Entertainment and Meeting expenses	Direct	1800	0	1800	809
Volunteer expenses	Direct	941	0	941	491
Premises	Direct	17864	0	17864	12825
Insurance	Direct	163	0	163	153
Fundraising cost	Direct	486	0	486	30
Professional fees	Direct	0	0	0	50
Depreciation	Direct	0	0	0	294
Travel and substance	Direct	5275	0	5275	1261
Shipping, freight, delivery	Direct	8	0	8	3
Bank Charges	Direct	105	0	105	67
Paypal fee	Direct	0	0	0	0
Subscriptions	Direct	1230	0	1230	395
Miscellaneous	Direct	0	0	0	0
Advertising	Direct	3029	0	3029	1215
Office expenses	Direct	247	0	247.00	432
Computer costs	Direct	0	0	0	0
Wages and salaries	Direct	41029	0	41029	12390
		<u>92019</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>92019</u>	<u>55422</u>

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11. ANALYSIS OF RESOURCES EXPENDED BY EXPENDITURE TYPE

	Staff Costs £	Depreciation £	Other Costs £	2025 £	2024 £
Charitable activities	41029	294	50696	92019	55422
Investment Income	0	0		0	0
Charitable activities	41029	294	50696	92019	55422
Governance	12042	294	2584	14920	3976
Other costs					
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	0	0	0	0	0
	53071	588	53280	106939	59398

12. ANALYSIS OF RESOURCES EXPENDED BY ACTIVITIES

	Activities undertaken		Total	Total
	Directly £	Support Costs £	2025 £	2024 £
Charitable activities	92019	14920	106939	55422
Investment Income	0	0	0	3976
Total	92019	14920	106939	59398

13. NET INCOMING RESOURCES

This is stated after charging:

	2025 £	2024 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets: owned by charity	588	294
Governance Accountant fees	600	600

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration (2024 -£NIL).

During the year, no Trustees received any benefits in kind (2024 -£NIL).

During the year, no Trustees received any reimbursement of expenses (2024 -£NIL).

14. STAFF COSTS

Staff costs were as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Wages and salaries	50829	13767
Social security costs	2242	574
	53071	14341

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

2025 No.	2024 No.
3	3

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

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15. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	TOTAL
Cost	£
At 31.08.24	1472
Additions	389
At 31.08.25	1861
Depreciation	
At 31.08.24	588
charge for period	294
At 31.08.25	882
Net book values	
At 31.08.25	979
At 31.08.24	884

16. PROGRAMME RELATED INVESTMENT

	Mortgage	Mortgage		Alterations to Premises	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Market Value					
At 1 September 2024 and 31 August 2025					
At 31 August 2025					

Programme related investments enable other charities to further their charitable objectives as well as ours in advance of furthering the education of students throughout the UK.

Total bank loans at the year end of £0 are owed in relation to the Programme Related Investments held.

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17. DEBTORS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Due after more than one year		
Other Debtors		
Due within one year		
Trade debtors	0	0
Other debtors	11500	0
	<u>11500</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>11500</u>	<u>0</u>

18. CREDITORS: Amount falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Bank loans and Overdraft		
Trade creditors		
Other taxation and social security	82	83
Other creditors	0	0
Accruals and deferred income	5099	635
	<u>5181</u>	<u>718</u>
	<u>5181</u>	<u>718</u>

19. CREDITORS: Amount falling due after one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Bank loans		
Other creditors		
	<u></u>	<u></u>
	<u></u>	<u></u>

Creditors include amounts not wholly repayable within 5 years as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Repayable by instalments		

Bank loans are secured by way of a charge over the freehold buildings of the charity.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

20. PRIOR YEAR ADJUSTMENT

There is no prior year adjustment this year

21. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	Brought Forward £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Transfers In/Out £	Carried Forward £
Designated Funds					
General Funds					
General Funds-all funds	42190	110141	(106939)	0	45392
Total Unrestricted funds	<u>42190</u>	<u>110141</u>	<u>(106939)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>45392</u>
Restricted funds					
Restricted funds-all funds	0	0		0	0
Total of funds	<u>42190</u>	<u>110141</u>	<u>(106939)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>45392</u>

SUMMARY OF FUNDS

	Restated Brought Forward £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Transfers In/Out £	Carried Forward £
General Funds	42190	110141	(106939)	0	45392
Restricted funds	0	0		0	0
	<u>42190</u>	<u>110141</u>	<u>-106939</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>45392</u>

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22. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	Funds	Funds	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	979	0	979	590
Programme related investments	0	0	0	0
Debtors due after more than 1 year	0	0	0	0
Current assets	49594	0	49594	42024
Creditors due within one year	-5181	0	-5181	-718
Creditors due in more than one year	0	0	0	0
	45392	0	45392	41896

23. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There was not any related party transaction with any of the trustees this year and last year.