

YAK JONES FOUNDATION

England & Wales - Charity number 1211452

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2024-12-17

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN SIERRA LEONE PRIMARILY THROUGH: A)ASSISTING IN THE PROVISION OF ACCESS TO READING BOOKS, LEARNING MATERIALS, LIBRARY FACILITIES, SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT;B)BY PROMOTING AND RAISING AWARENESS OF THE IMPORTANCE OF READING AND LITERACY;C)SUCH OTHER WAYS AS THE TRUSTEES MAY DETERMINE.

Classification

- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- Sierra Leone

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-07-31	£5,000	£5,000	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
LISA AINAJORGOH ROSALIND BESERVE	Chair	
ABU BAKARR JALLOH		
ALEXANDER GORDON MCCAIN		

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Accounts

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Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts

Prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the CC16 Receipts and Payments Pack

Reference and Administrative Details

Name of Charity: Yak Jones Foundation

Website: www.yakjonesfoundation.org

Facebook: Yak Jones Foundation (Facebook Page)

Founder: Dr Yakama Manty Jones

Board of Trustees

Gordon McCain

Lisa Beserve

Abu Bakarr Jalloh

Principal Activity: Promotion of literacy and reading culture in Sierra Leone

Charity Registration Number: Charity number: 1211452

Trustees' Annual Report

Structure, Governance and Management

The Yak Jones Foundation is a literacy-focused charitable organisation committed to improving access to books and educational opportunities for children and underserved communities in Sierra Leone. It was founded in 2015 and officially launched in 2016.

The Foundation is governed by a Board of Trustees comprising Gordon McCain, Lisa Beserve and Abu Bakarr Jalloh, who are collectively responsible for oversight, governance, safeguarding of resources and ensuring that all activities align with the Foundation's charitable objectives.

The Foundation currently operates primarily through voluntary support and founder-funded contributions. The Trustees meet as required to review activities, approve expenditure and ensure compliance with the Foundation's governing document.

Objectives and Activities

The Foundation's objectives are to:

- Promote literacy and reading culture among children and young people in Sierra Leone
- Improve access to books and educational materials for underserved communities
- Support community learning initiatives and mobile library programmes

- Encourage creativity, comprehension and lifelong learning

During the reporting period, the Foundation undertook activities including:

- Purchase and donation of books and learning materials to schools and communities
- Shipping and transportation of educational materials to beneficiary communities
- Construction and operational support of mobile libraries
- Literacy advocacy and awareness-raising through social media platforms
- Coordination and management support for Foundation activities through a funded Coordinator role

Achievements and Performance

During the reporting period, the Foundation continued implementing literacy-focused interventions aligned with its mission of restoring the reading culture in Sierra Leone.

Key achievements during the year included:

- Procurement and distribution of books and educational materials to targeted communities
- Support for book donation initiatives reaching children and young learners
- Construction and operational support for mobile library initiatives
- Shipping of books and learning resources to beneficiary communities in Sierra Leone
- Ongoing literacy awareness delivered through active management of the Foundation's social media platforms
- Provision of operational coordination support through a stipend for the Foundation Coordinator

The Trustees are satisfied that the activities undertaken during the year contributed positively towards improving literacy awareness and educational access for children and communities in Sierra Leone, in direct furtherance of the Foundation's charitable purposes.

Financial Review

The Foundation received a total income of £5,000 during the reporting period. The full amount was contributed personally by the Founder, Dr Yakama Manty Jones, in support of the Foundation's literacy and operational activities.

Expenditure during the year was applied directly to the following charitable purposes:

- £2,000 paid as stipend support for the Foundation Coordinator
- Purchase and donation of books and learning materials
- Shipping and logistics costs for the transportation of educational materials
- Mobile library construction costs
- Social media account management and communications support

The Trustees are satisfied that all resources received during the reporting period were utilised wholly in furtherance of the Foundation's charitable objects.

Reserves Policy

The Foundation currently maintains limited reserves as a result of its reliance on voluntary and founder-supported funding. At the year's end, the Foundation held no unspent reserves. The Trustees intend to strengthen future fundraising and partnership mobilisation efforts to support the long-term sustainability and programme expansion of the Foundation.

Future Plans

Looking ahead, the Foundation intends to:

- Expand mobile library initiatives to reach additional communities
- Increase book donation campaigns across schools and community centres
- Strengthen literacy outreach in schools and underserved communities
- Develop additional partnerships with literacy-focused organisations and donors
- Enhance fundraising activity and institutional sustainability
- Increase digital literacy advocacy and public engagement activities

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom accounting standards, including the Charities Act 2011 and the guidance set out in CC16 (Receipts and Payments Accounts).

The Trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records, safeguarding the assets of the Foundation and taking reasonable steps to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities. The Trustees confirm that so far as each of them is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Foundation's independent examiner is unaware, and each Trustee has taken all reasonable steps to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the independent examiner is aware of that information.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf on: 21st May 2026_

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Gordon McCain
Trustee

Lisa Beserve
Trustee

Abu Bakarr Jalloh
Trustee

Financial Statements

Statement of Receipts and Payments

For the year ended 2025

Receipts

Description	£
Founder contribution – Dr Yakama Manty Jones	5,000
Total Receipts	5,000

Payments

Description	£
Coordinator stipend	2,000
Books purchases and donations	1,050
Shipping and logistics costs	650
Mobile library construction	500
Local transportation	250
Communication expenses	200
Social media management	350
Total Payments	5,000

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

As at December 2026

Assets	£
Cash at bank and in hand	0
Total Assets	0

Liabilities	£
Outstanding liabilities	0
Total Liabilities	0

Net Assets / (Liabilities)	£
Net position at year end	0

Notes to the Accounts

1. Basis of Preparation

These accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the guidance contained in the Charity Commission publication CC16 (Receipts and Payments Accounts Pack). This basis is applicable to non-company charities with a gross income of less than £250,000.

2. Income

All income received during the reporting period was contributed personally by the Founder, Dr Yakama Manty Jones. No other income was received during the year.

3. Expenditure

Expenditure relates directly to literacy promotion activities, educational materials, logistics and transportation, mobile library construction, operational coordination and communications activities undertaken in furtherance of the Foundation's charitable objects.

4. Trustees' Remuneration and Expenses

No remuneration was paid to any Trustee during the reporting period. No Trustee expenses were claimed or paid.

5. Related Party Transactions

The total income of £5,000 was donated personally by the Founder, Dr Yakama Manty Jones. There are no other related party transactions to disclose.