THE INSTITUTE OF UNIVERSAL CHARITY UK SCO52950

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

01 SEPTEMBER 2024 TO
30 NOVEMBER 2025





OUR CHARITABLE PURPOSES

- The relief of poverty
- The advancement of education
- The relief of those in need by reason of age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage

OUR FOCUS OVER THE YEAR

We work closely with our sister charity in Venezuela to help support referrals of those most in need in Venezuela.

It has been a few years since the beginning of the country's economic collapse and many families continue to be affected. Unable to afford many of the things we take for granted in Scotland and England. In particular, access to health care is challenging for many because it is costly. Your donations helps alleviate some of the suffering families are experiencing. Thank you.

2023 – 2024 we raised £2500 to help the needy in Venezuela

2024 – 2025 we raised £1261 for families and an orphanage in Venezuela

OUR APPEALS TO ALLEVIATE SUFFERING

OSARIO

THANKS YOU

Osario is an elderly gentleman who lacked the financial means to pay for a course of medicines. Your donation of £100 went towards two months worth of medicines.

SAMAEL

THANKS YOU

Samuel sustained an injury to his lower spine and needed an MRI scan for the doctor to assess the damage. He has a young family and one of his children has complex needs. Ruben cannot finance the scan and has requested support. You donated £150 toward his medical costs. Samual said, “***my heart was touched because I could count on others to help in my difficult moments.”***

OSCAR (AND HIS WIFE) THANK YOU

Oscar is in his sixties and had prostate issues which required surgery and medication. Your donation of £125 went towards his surgery and medicines. Both he and his wife are eternally grateful for your support. The operation was a success.

IXCHEL

THANKS YOU

Ixchel was diagnosed with cancer and needed help for a carer and medicines. The treatment has been successful and your donation of £500 removed some financial burden from Ixchel and her partner.

THE CHILDREN FROM THE ORPHANAGE

THANK YOU

Regular donations continue to support the children in the orphanage. These donations go toward food, clothes and educational materials.

The Sponsor-a-Child is included within the payment to the orphanage. Total donations were £130.

APPEAL FOR YEIBERT

You donated £256 toward a life-saving operation for a 4-year-old who contracted meningitis. Unfortunately, the operation was unsuccessful and the child passed away. This was a difficult outcome to tell all who contributed, but solace should be sought in the knowledge that your donation gave the child the opportunity of life, because he would not have been able to have the operation without your donation.

ACCOUNTS

Donations 1/9/2024 to 30/11/2025	
Opening Balance 1/9/2024	£135
Donations in	£1886.73
Donations out	£1261.43
Closing Balance 30/11/2025	**£625.30**

Cooperative Bank: Sort Code: 08-92-99 Account Number: 67337350

Although outside of the accounting period, a donation of £510 was made to the orphanage on 22/12/2025

RESTRICTED AND UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

Restricted donations: are those given in the form of grants or appeals made for a specific reason.

Unrestricted donations.: are made to the charity and can be used for any of our charitable purposes.

We run appeals for those in need and take referrals from our sister organisation in Venezuela. However, those donations are not restricted because we made clear to our donors that any funds received once the appeal has closed and money sent to the recipient, will be used for the next or an on-going appeal. It is expensive to make small international payments.

Reserves: at present we do not have a policy on reserves because we hold no assets or operational costs. We do not need any contingency plans. However, as the need arises we will devise and implement a Reserves Policy.

OUR FOCUS FOR THE YEAR AHEAD

Our focus will be to continue to help with the referrals from Venezuela. Recently, there has been an earthquake in Venezuela, which has made conditions dire for many people.

We aim to try and grow our membership.

We will be aiming to have appeals for UK causes. In particular, Christmas appeals for children.



Trustees

Andrew Kennedy – Chair
Magdalena Santiago – Secretary
Hilary Kennedy – Treasurer

Registered office: oak tree cottage, Auchterarder, ph3 1dr

Type of governing document: Constitution - Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Many of our donors choose not to be members. However, we do keep them updated on the outcomes of the appeals and send a copy of the trustees' report.

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	M. Santiago	H. Kennedy
Full name(s)	M Santiago	Hilary Kennedy
Position (e.g. Chair)	Secretary	Treasurer
Date	**13/10/2026**	**13/10/2026**