

LITTLE LIVES UK
CHILDREN'S CHARITY

Trustees Annual Report and Accounts

For the year ended 31 March 2019

Little Lives UK

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Our mission

To identify and reach out to disabled and disadvantaged children in London by offering care as well as fun, educational, and safe activities. This helps the youngsters to develop their skills and abilities and enables them to better participate in society.

Thanks to the generosity of donors, Little Lives UK helps fund the children's necessary developmental skills such as health and education. Consequently, children who are disabled, from disadvantaged backgrounds, or who have special needs or a long-term illness can participate fully in the world around them.

Our aims

London is a vibrant city that has many things to offer. Despite the numerous opportunities, the clock towers, and the "City," London is also the UK city most affected by child poverty. Many children in London and other major UK cities live below the poverty line.

At Little lives UK, we fight for disabled and disadvantaged children. They are our primary focus.

Our organisation's mission is: to identify and reach out to the restricted and underprivileged children in the London community. Then offer care, fun, educational and safe activities that help them to develop their skills and abilities and enable them to better participate in society.

Our objectives

To support disabled and disadvantaged children.

To help them get the necessary medical / psychological care they need.

To enable the full and active participation of such children in all aspects of life.

Contribute to ending child poverty.

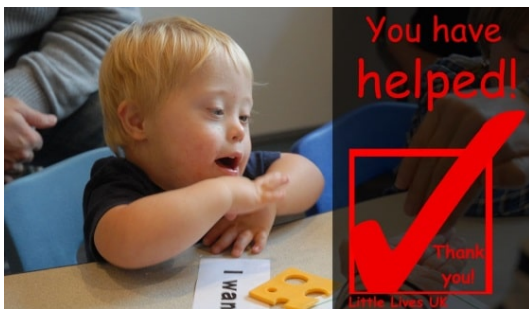
What we do

We help underprivileged children in many ways. We are passionate about providing support and opportunities to children who are disabled or disadvantaged.

How did we benefit the public?

Principal Activities

Makaton Training Course, May 2018



In May 2018, we raised money for Makaton training courses held at the Band Foundation. Makaton is a language programme designed to give individuals who cannot communicate efficiently by speaking a means of communication.

The Makaton language programme benefits individuals affected by autism, Down syndrome, and language impairments, including stroke patients.

The money raised helped to fund training programmes at the Band Foundation, with donations contributing to bettering lives of children and individuals suffering from language impairments. Thanks to Little Lives UK and our generous donors, individuals were taught language and literacy skills that will help them to lead healthy, functioning lives.

Ronald McDonald House: Home away from home, 2018



In 2018, we worked with the Ronald McDonald House, on the site of St George's Hospital. The house provides families of children who are long-term patients with a "home away from home," which enables them to be nearby for their children.

Little Lives UK donated toys and books to the home throughout the year to support their incredible ongoing work.

St Christopher's Diamond Fund, June 2018

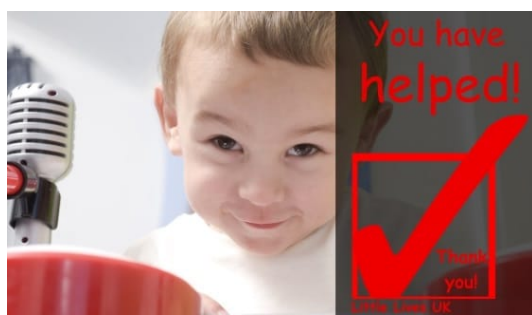


In June 2018, we supported the work of St Christopher's Fellowship, a registered charity providing care, accommodation and support to disadvantaged and homeless young people through their children's homes, supported housing schemes and fostering placements.

Many of their projects and services are based in London, but they also help young people in

Sandwell, Bedford and on the Isle of Man.

Royal Society for Blind Children, July, August 2018



In July and August 2018, we supported the Royal Society for Blind Children. The charity estimates there are 185 families with blind children in Wandsworth. Without support, too many of these children face a future of poverty and loneliness.

Currently, nine out of 10 blind children will not have a long-term job when they grow up, and most will never have someone to share their life.

With the right support however, everything can change for these children. This starts with RSBC's Family Workers. Vicky, RSBC's local Family Worker for South London, offers a listening ear and a comforting hand from the moment parents are told their child is blind. Moreover, for as long as a family needs their advice, RSBC is on hand to help support their blind child's learning and development at home, in school, and through community activities.

Balham Children's Home, September 2018



In September 2018, we raised money for a new children's home opening in Balham. The money raised was spent on items the children needed to start life in their new home.

Every donation helped, and we were able to improve these children's lives, offering them a happier and brighter future.

Giving kids access to fitness, October, November 2018



In October and November 2018, we supported a boxing club based in Tooting, London. TM Boxing has been running affordable group sessions for children for nearly ten years. The club runs three courses a week, and no child is ever turned away.

Over the past decade, they have worked with many children who have special needs, developing their social skills, and building their self-esteem and confidence. Some of the group's members were at risk of exclusion from school or have had difficulties at home, but

through the work at TM Boxing, a large number of these children have gained skills and rebuilt relationships at both school and home. The money we raised was spent on new equipment for the group; helping to improve their classes and deliver more high-quality training, development, and to nurture their students.

Lambeth Academy - gift drive, December 2018



In December 2018, we worked with the pupils of Lambeth Academy, who organised a gift drive for children in their local area who are less fortunate. We were grateful to Wandsworth Council Social Services who took the collection of gifts to distribute to families within Wandsworth.

We believe that we made a real difference to our community at Christmas.

Nathan's relaxation and tranquility, January 2019



Our first campaign of 2019 was for a nine-year-old boy, Nathan. Nathan has Nystagmus and high degree myopia, which severely affects his sight. His condition impacts enormously on both Nathan and his mum, both at home and at school.

Little Lives UK had previously worked with the Royal Society for Blind Children, and we were happy to continue our support. Nathan suffers from global development delay and is very much stressed. One of the only things that helps Nathan to calm down is watching cartoons. He also enjoys singing along to music videos. Nathan was using his mum's phone but needed his own device. Little Lives UK were pleased to be able to provide a new iPad, and additionally a storage unit for his bedroom. Little Lives UK delivered the items to his mother at the beginning of February.

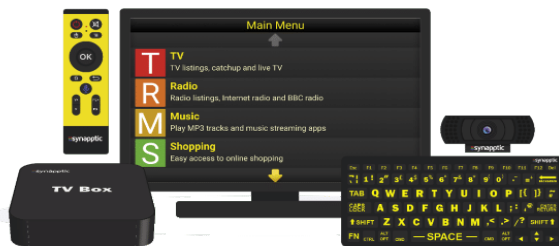
Wandsworth Contact Centre, February, March 2019



On Friday April 5, we had the pleasure of presenting the Wandsworth Contact Centre with the toys and equipment that we were able to provide due to the support and generosity of the London community. The contact centre provides much-needed support for children and their families to be able to develop and sustain positive relationships.

The staff told us that it was more challenging to engage the older children who attended. The centre now has a PlayStation 4, an air hockey table and a tennis table, to mention just a few of the items provided.

Synaptic TV Box for Tyrese, March 2019



We were also able to assist an individual this month, through our ongoing work with the RNIB. When we heard about the young man and his situation, we were reminded of how passionate we are about the work we do. The young man (15) suffered a cardiac arrest, and his sight was affected severely. He now lives his life with minimal vision. The episode had happened recently, and both the young

man and his family are adjusting to a devastating diagnosis that affects the entire family unit. We were able to provide a TV and internet device that would allow him to do some of the things that he used to do and will enable him to interact with friends and family.

Structure, Management, and Governance

Trustee board

Mr Yauheni Sysoyeu
Mrs Krisztina Kovacs
Mrs Szonja Budai

Directors

Ms Krisztina Schafer
Mr Frantisek Helmeczy
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Principal Office

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Charity number

1171884

Bankers

Barclays Bank, 14-16 Mitcham Rd, London, SW17 9NA

Independent Examiner's report

We report on the accounts of the trust for the year ended 31 March 2019

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that the audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the charities act 2011 and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit and is eligible for Independent examination as per Charities Act 2011 it is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the charity's Act;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5) (b) of the Charities Act, and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

This report is in respect of an examination carried out under section 145 of the charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the directions given by the Charity Commissioner under section 145(5)(b). An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity trustees and a comparison of the accounts presented with those accounts. It also includes a review of the accounts and making such enquiries as are necessary for the purpose of this report. The procedure undertaken does not constitute an audit.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention. Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- 1) Based on my examination, no matter has come to my attention, which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act, comply with the accounting requirements of the charities Act. No matter has come to my attention in connection with my examination to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounting systems.
- 2) To which my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Statement of financial activities

For the year ended 31 March 2019

Income and expenditure account	2019	2018
	£	£
Voluntary Income		
Donations	10,481	1,107
Activities for Generating Funds		
Investment Income		
Total Income	10,481	1,107
Incoming resources from charitable activities		
Charity shop sales	281,031	65,035
Other income	7,355	1,107
Total Income	298,867	66,142
Resources expended		
Cost of generating funds		
Staff costs	114,981	10,880
Publicity	1,669	
Campaigns	17,128	
Total Income	133,778	10,880
Charitable activities		
Charity shop	97,340	27,787
Donations	4,045	1,358
Total Income	101,385	29,145

Governance cost

Professional fees	22,872	21,392
Bank charges	5,570	
Total Income	28,442	21,392

Total Resources Expended	263,605	61,417
Net incoming / (Outgoing) Resources	35,262	4,725
Total funds carried forward	35,262	4,725

Balance sheet

For the year ended 31 March 2019

	Note	2019	2018
		£	£
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	5	0	0
Current assets			
Sundry debtors and prepayments	6	0	0
Cash at bank and in hand		35,367	8,203
		35,367	8,203
Current liabilities			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	7	105	3,478
		105	3,478

Net current assets	35,362	4,725
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Total assets less current liabilities	35,362	4,725
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Funds

Unrestricted funds	35,262	4,725
Restricted funds		
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Total funds	35,262	4,725
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Legal and administrative information

Risk assessment policy

The trustees will create and review the risk management policy that covers all aspects of running the charity. It should set out the processes that the charity will use to identify the risks and how it will manage them.

The managers will take on the responsibility of assessing hazards in the charity shop and draft a document for the necessary action to take. This document will then be clearly displayed on the wall in the shop. Our managers will introduce that in the induction of all new staff and train the present team and volunteers who are working in the shop. This policy will include the protection of customers who walk into the charity shop to browse and make their purchases.

The assessment will be based on the following:

- What are the hazards?
- Who might be harmed, and how?
- What are you already doing?
- What further action is necessary?
- Action by whom?
- Action by when?

Reserves policy

Reserves are part of the unrestricted funds that are freely available in an emergency to fulfil the aims of the charity. Restricted funds cannot be used for reserves. Trustees have to be aware of the purpose of the restricted funds for the charity.

Why do we need a reserves policy?

A reserves policy explains to existing funders, prospective funders, and donors why this charity is holding the reserves. A reasonable reserves policy will indicate that the finances are properly managed and will provide an indicator for future funding needs and its flexibility.

The charity's SORP requires a statement of the reserves policy in the trustee's annual report.

Our finances and finance policy

At present, our primary source of income is from the charity shop. We have a fundraiser trying to raise funds from outside companies. The trustees review the finances regularly and monitor the investments by setting up the cash flow and the budget for the charity. The variances are analysed and are reported to the trustees to make sure that the finances are under control. The trustees receive these reports from the manager at the trustee's quarterly meetings. Further, the trustees will periodically review the internal financial controls and the spending policy outside England and Wales.