



ANNUAL REPORT 2019

Missions of Hope

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Missions of Hope is a charity established to help with poverty, hunger and homelessness, both directly and through supporting other organisations.

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Missions of Hope is a charity whose main aim is to tackle poverty, hunger and homelessness in the local community. We work primarily along the North Wales coast, although we support a very small number of projects elsewhere, and aspire to have an impact on a far wider (global) scale.

We work closely alongside other agencies – community groups and organisations, projects and charities who are making a difference in people's lives and essentially working towards our mission of:

Making a real difference in people's lives, and in the community you live.

Although our impact in terms of numbers and finance is relatively limited at this moment in time, we have great aspirations, and we have helped many organisations and projects in a practical way, with practical support, giving of our time and energy for their benefit. Although we cannot quantify this, we are taking steps to monitor the time given to others during 2018 onwards.

Our main areas of work are as follows:

HOPE Community Net

We aim to alleviate poverty by providing financial help and support for individuals with various issues, including the following:

- Benefit delays / sanctions
- Children
- Clothes
- Elderly
- Food and heating
- Fresh start
- Housing
- Ill Health
- People with disability
- Struggling with bills / debt
- Unemployment
- White goods and furniture.

HOPE Community Net provides a resource for people who have a need that falls into any of the above categories, and possibly others – the criteria is that they have a need that a person should reasonably expect to have fulfilled if they were not struggling financially, and that were not luxury

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items or aspirations. Many are referred by local food banks, debt advisors and other agencies who are working with those with the lowest incomes.

FoodShare

Whilst we have helped the local food banks both in Conwy and in Rhyl in a practical way, this year we also developed our FoodShare programme – providing surplus food collected from local supermarkets and other food outlets, at low cost, to those in need.

Towards the end of the year, the FoodShare programme had grown to provide a service in three centres, and was outgrowing our small organisation. We collaborated with a local church, who took on and developed the programme as a stand-alone programme, now known as FoodShare North Wales. This now provides food for over 100 families every week.

Fuel Bank

Throughout the year, we developed our FuelBank programme, providing numerous households with finance to top up their household gas / electric. Apart from the FoodShare, this constituted the bulk of our work throughout 2019.

DARE to Recover

Many people struggling with poverty, hunger and homelessness, have suffered with various addictive and compulsive habits. DARE to Recover is a walking group run by, and for, those in recovery and their supporters. Our aim is to take a group of people out into the Welsh hills and mountains at least once a month – giving them a purpose, a reason to remain in recovery, and encouraging them to build up new supportive relationships for the future.

The group is the longest running self-help recovery group in North Wales, being established for over ten years. The group has enjoyed the support of a local charitable organisation who has provided a minibus over the years, but we now must raise funding for the fuel costs at least. This will be an additional challenge for 2018.

Missions of Hope Income and Expenditure

As you will see, much of the income for Missions of Hope has come through our partnership with the charity ACTS435. Through their website, we can post requests for financial help, and donors give online in order to fulfil the requests.

The total income during 2019 was £10,375. Expenditure was £8,593, leaving a profit of £1,782 which is retained over until 2020.

We are pleased to report that our administration and other costs are minimal. Therefore, 94.3% of our expenditure was for charitable purposes.



Signed on behalf of the Directors and Trustees.

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PROFIT AND LOSS

January - December 2019

	TOTAL
Income	
Donations	70.51
Donations and legacies	85.61
ACTS435	9,250.00
HopeGiver	969.20
Total Donations and legacies	10,304.81
Total Income	£10,375.32
GROSS PROFIT	£10,375.32
Expenses	
Bank charges	69.00
Charitable Services Provided	100.00
FuelBank	5,128.00
Furniture	170.00
Hunger	31.00
Overseas Mission	50.00
Poverty	364.15
Service Delivery Costs	30.00
Van Fuel	298.88
White Goods	1,928.45
Total Charitable Services Provided	8,100.48
Insurances	312.90
Office/General Administrative Expenses	
Accounting Software	103.20
Total Office/General Administrative Expenses	103.20
Staff and Volunteers	3.52
Volunteer Costs	4.09
Total Expenses	£8,593.19
NET INCOME	£1,782.13

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