



Knowledge Facilitators International

2020 Accounts and annual report

1st January – 31st December 2020

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Constituted: Charitable Incorporated Organisation no. 1179201

Governing Document: Foundational constitution, adopted 14th July 2018

Major achievements

Ran a covid relief fundraising campaign	April 2020
Poultry project became self-sustaining	July 2020
Completion of new school buildings	September 2020
Period Poverty fundraising	October 2020
Sangaalo house building fundraising	November 2020

Review of objectives

THE OBJECTIVES OF THE CIO ARE:

THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION,

THE PREVENTION AND RELIEF OF POVERTY

AND THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN UGANDA

IN PARTICULAR BY ASSISTING THE CHARITABLE WORK OF THE UGANDAN COMMUNITY BASED ORGANISATION KNOWN AS KNOWLEDGE FACILITATORS' CLUB, UGANDA [now known as KNOFU].

Advancement of education

The New dawn school continues to grow, and we continue to subsidise the school operations and provide financial support for the construction of school buildings.

Prevention and relief of poverty

We helped KNOFU to implement a number of different programs to help with the prevention and relief of poverty.

Firstly, when Covid hit, Uganda entered into some sort of lockdown. Schools were asked to close, and shops closed. Many people lost incomes. We raised just over £1000 to provide food for 50 families in Lwemuna village

Secondly, once New dawn school reopened in September, we raised just over £1000 to provide sanitary pads for KNOFU to distribute to school students as part of our period poverty campaign. This enables female students to attend school, where previously they would miss school for a few days each month.

Thirdly, we have been supporting construction of a new house for one particularly vulnerable family of the Lwemuna community

Separately, we have shipped toys to benefit children, and clothing to help the poorest in the Lwemuna community.

Advancement of the Christian faith

We continue to utilise our links with the local church and Elgon mission team to provide a Christian program for the school students.

How our activities deliver public benefit:

We have had a number of programs this year where a number of individual beneficiaries from Lwemuna community are selected. The selection of beneficiaries has been done by KNOFU, who work and mostly live in Lwemuna village, and are well aware of the local needs. In particular, the family benefiting from a new house was carefully selected through assessment of needs.

We continue to monitor our programs, to ensure they remain accessible to all, and to do what we can to ensure that KNOFU treats people according to their needs.

Financial review 2020

Summary accounts:

Opening balance: £1707.03

Total income: £16 709.50

Total expenditure: £17 270.84

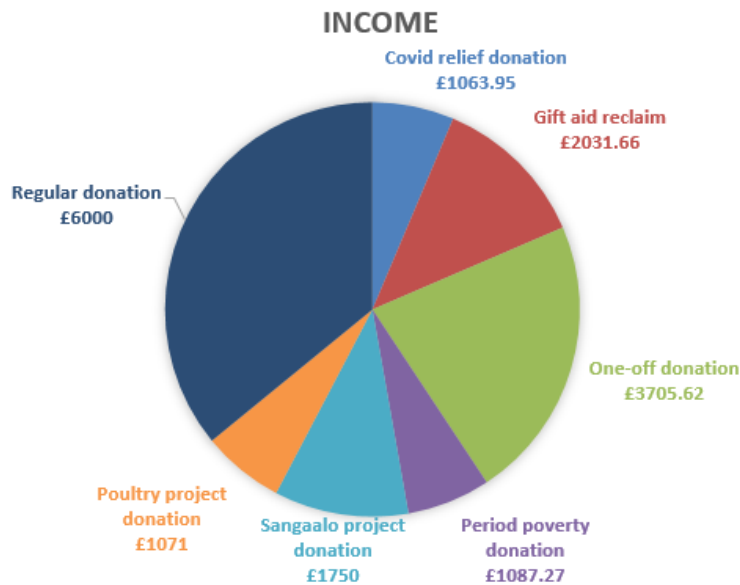
Closing balance: £1145.69

Bank account: Co-operative community account. In December 2020, we directly transferred the Natwest business account to Co-operative community account, under the Business Banking Switch scheme. We expect to receive a single payment at some point in 2021 as the incentive for this account transfer.

Overall financial position: We continue our policy of not going into debt. Turnover is lower than 2019, due to the ending of payment of the poultry project mid-year, and the exceptional gift from E5 church in 2019. Expenditure is also reduced, particularly due to reduced expenditure on the school buildings, where the new classroom block is now complete. We anticipate income and expenditure will be higher in 2021, as we submit funding applications to finance more classroom construction. The long-term position of being able to subsidise the school, appears to remain viable.

Income

Total income for 2020 is £16 709.50



This is made up of a combination of donations, which can be regular, one-off, or for a restricted purpose. Regular donations are up by around 10% on 2019.

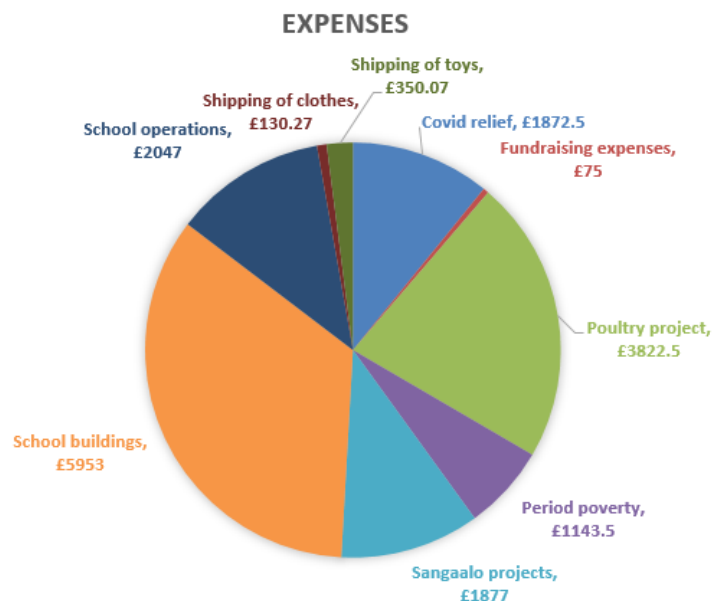
Previously, specific fundraising events have been marked separately from one-off donations, but these have now been combined for the 2020 accounts. One-off donations have increased around 10% on 2019.

There have been four restricted income streams in 2020: Covid relief, Period Poverty, the Sangaalo project, and the final donation for the poultry project. The first two of these are one-off projects, and will only be repeated if needed. The Sangaalo project raised sufficient funds to start construction of a new house. The poultry project is finally at an income generating stage, and not likely to require further funds.

Overall, despite many separate streams of income being higher than 2019, overall income is lower; this was primarily due to substantial donation from E5 church in 2019. Although we would like to continue working with E5 church in future, it has proven harder to work with large UK grassroots organisations due to covid restrictions. While we were not expecting to work with E5 church in 2020, we hope that we can resume the fundraising relationship soon

Expenses

Total expenses for 2020 are £17 270.84



Once again, the largest expense was for subsidising construction of school buildings, and a new block of three classes is now complete, bringing the total count of classrooms to six. We expect that classroom expenditure will continue in 2021, when we intend to help fund the commencement of construction of another classroom block, featuring one classroom, and other rooms for community use.

For Covid relief and the Poultry project, we made a significant additional contribution from general funds on top of the restricted fundraising. The Poultry project is now self-sustaining, and requires no further income.

We decided to take some draw on general funds for Covid relief, on top of the restricted funds. It has helped provide food to the poorest in Lwemuna village when markets were shut, and they had nowhere to sell their projects.

Although the poultry project was a significant expense, significantly larger than expected, and has taken a substantial amount from general funds, it has finally reached profitability for KNOFU. Therefore, we do not expect to make further substantial expenditure on this.

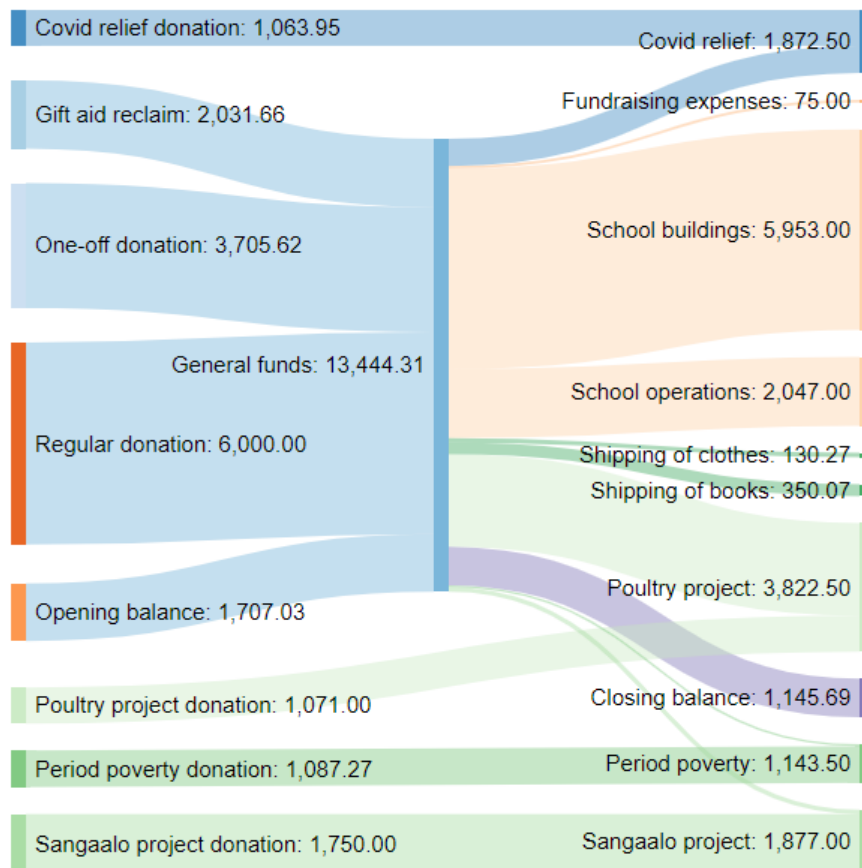
For Period poverty and Sangaalo projects, expenses were rounded up the amount sent in Ugandan shillings, making a very minor contribution from general funds.

We sent clothes and toys to KNOFU for distribution, causing minor expenses from shipping.

UK expenses were fundraising expenses and shipping, costing a total of £535.34. All other expenses were made in Uganda, meaning that 97% of expenditure was in Uganda.

Transfer of funds to Uganda normally occurs via the formal banking system. However, closure of bank branches during the early days of covid lockdown meant the mobile money transfers were necessary. This only applied to the covid relief expenditure.

A Sankey diagram of income and expenses in 2020 follows. Unrestricted funds, marked as opening balance plus unrestricted income balances with unrestricted expenditure plus closing balance. We have no restricted funds being carried over from 2019 or into 2021.



Long term project expense review

We have had two multi year projects causing significant expense so far – The poultry project, and School buildings

The poultry project is now mature, and KNOFU should be able to maintain it as a source of revenue without any input from KNOFI. Since mid-2018, poultry project has had a total restricted income of £6971, and total expenses of £11 531.50. It was originally intended to not use restricted funds on this, but unforeseen additional expense of £4560.50 from general funds has been necessary to do so to get the project to profitability.

Although the New dawn school buildings are not finished in the long-term, the two new classroom buildings mean that this is a good time to review overall classroom building expenditure. Since mid-2018, KNOFI have given £20 533 for school buildings construction, namely the two new classroom blocks. The long-term aim for the school will be for construction of one further block of three rooms, which will have usage shared between the school and with the other KNOFU projects. In 2021, KNOFI anticipate applying for other sources of funds for this construction.