



Friends of Colombia for Social Aid

**UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
31 DECEMBER 2017**

Registered Charity Number 274778

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The Trustees present their report and independently examined financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2017.

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name: Friends of Colombia for Social Aid

Charity Registration Number 274778

Registered address: 1 Clockhouse Court
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Patron The Baroness Hooper CMG

Honorary President Paola Napoli

Trustees

Laura Laurence	President and Chair of Board of Trustees
Maria Parada-Rajmankina	Treasurer
Mr Andres Monsalve	
Mrs Amanda Ardila	
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Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

Friends of Colombia for Social Aid (FOCSA) is constituted as a charitable Trust. The Trust was established in 1977 under a Trust Deed (as amended) which established the objects and powers of the charitable Trust.

Mission

Our mission is to help to improve the lives of the most disadvantaged children in Colombia. We fulfill our mission by donating medical, educational and other vital equipment to hospitals and specialist institutions that treat these children and improve the quality of their lives.

Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

Nigel Lusson and Louise Russ both retired from the Board of Trustees on June 27th 2017.

Laura Laurence was appointed to the Board of Trustees on June 27th 2017, and Maria Parada-Rajmankina was appointed to the Board of Trustees on 5th December 2017. All other members of the Board of Trustees have served throughout the year.

Organisational Structure

The Board of Trustees meets on a quarterly basis and is responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. A scheme of delegation is in place and the day to day responsibility for the charitable activities lies with an Executive Committee of volunteers. The President of the charity sits on both the Board of Trustees and the Executive Committee.

Objectives and Activities

In planning our objectives each year we have regard to the Charities Commission general guidance on public benefit.

Principal Funding Sources

Our main sources of Funding are the profits from organising Fundraising Events, unrestricted donations, and restricted donations /grants for specific projects.

Investment Policy

Aside from retaining a prudent amount in reserves each year most of the charity's funds are to be spent on the charitable objects in the short term so there are few funds available for long term investment. Having considered possible options the Trustees decided to place surplus funds into a call deposit account with the COIF Charities Deposit Fund.

Reserve Policy

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The Trustees have examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the organisation. As the charity is run entirely by volunteers, and owns no property, the risks to the long term financial sustainability of the charity are small. It has established a policy whereby the minimum level of unrestricted reserves should be approximately equivalent to the cost of organising the charity's most expensive fundraising event.

Trustees are confident that at this level they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity. The charity did not hold its most expensive fundraising event, the Spring Fiesta, during 2017, but the cost of the previous Spring Fiesta, held in 2016, was £35,019. The present level of unrestricted reserves available to the charity of £88,541 therefore falls comfortably above the target level.

Responsibilities of the Trustees

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of incoming resources and application of resources. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice);
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP FRS102- effective 1 January 2015)

Approved by the Trustees on 26 June 2018 and signed on its behalf by:


Laura Laurence
(President and Chair)


Maria Parada-Rajmankina
(Treasurer)

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF FRIENDS OF COLOMBIA FOR SOCIAL AID - YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2017 which are set out on pages 6 to 12.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act"). The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Act 2011 and that an independent examination is needed.

it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and the seeking of explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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:

- (a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act, or
- (b) the accounts did not accord with the accounting records, or
- (c) the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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COLOMBIA FOR SOCIAL AID - YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

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Date: 11th October, 2018

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCORPORATING THE INCOME AND
EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT - YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

		Unrestricted Funds 2017 £	Restricted Funds 2017 £	Total Funds 2017 £	<i>Total Funds 2016 £</i>
	Note				
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Income from:					
Raising Funds	2	18,898	19,900	38,798	<i>94,205</i>
Donations	3	4,795	12,361	17,156	<i>3,282</i>
Investment Income	4	100	-	100	<i>180</i>
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		23,793	32,261	56,054	<i>97,667</i>
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	5	15,919	1,350	17,269	<i>39,152</i>
Charitable activities	6	12,124	20,125	32,249	<i>52,622</i>
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		28,043	21,475	49,518	<i>91,774</i>
NET INCOME/ (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR		(4,250)	10,786	6,536	<i>5,893</i>
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		92,791	5,017	97,808	<i>91,915</i>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		88,541	15,803	104,344	<i>97,808</i>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

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BALANCE SHEET – YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER 274778

	Note	2017 £	2016 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	7	18,613	16,549
Cash at bank	8	86,161	82,536
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		104,774	99,085
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	9	430	1,277
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NET ASSETS		<u>104,344</u>	<u>97,808</u>
 FUNDS			
Restricted		15,803	5,017
Unrestricted		<u>88,541</u>	<u>92,791</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	10	<u>104,344</u>	<u>97,808</u>

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

General information and basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historic cost in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP FRS 102), effective 1 January 2015, and the 2011 Charities Act and applicable UK Accounting Standards and. The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below.

The charity meets the definition of public benefit under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

Incoming Resources

Recognition of incoming resources

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- the Trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Incoming resources with related expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA.

Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are included in the SoFA once they have been received.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts.

Investment Income

This is included in the accounts when received.

Expenditure and Liabilities

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

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Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due and prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Creditors

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are recognised at their settlement amount.

Irrecoverable VAT

All resources expended are classified under activity headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Irrecoverable VAT on expenses is charged against the category of resources expended for which it was incurred.

Fund accounting

- Unrestricted Funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.
- Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

2. RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2017 £	<i>Total Funds 2016 £</i>
Spring Fiesta	-	-	-	82,092
Christmas Concert	3,723	-	3,723	8,073
Opera in the Garden	14,570	12,305	26,875	-
Running Events	605	7,595	8,200	3,754
Other Events	-	-	-	286
	<u>18,898</u>	<u>19,900</u>	<u>38,798</u>	<u>94,205</u>

The income from raising funds for 2017 was £38,798 (2016 £94,205) of which £18,898 (2016 £68,383) was unrestricted and £19,900 (2016 £25,822) was restricted.

3. DONATIONS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2017 £	<i>Total Funds 2016 £</i>
MOCOA Appeal	-	10,075	10,075	-
Kilimanjaro Challenge	-	2,286	2,286	-
Other Donations	4,795	-	4,795	3,282
	<u>4,795</u>	<u>12,361</u>	<u>17,156</u>	<u>3,282</u>

Income from donations for 2017 was £17,256 (2016: £3,282) of which £12,361 (2016: £3,282) was unrestricted and £4,795 (2016 £0) was restricted.

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2017 £	<i>Total Funds 2016 £</i>
Bank Interest Receivable	100	-	100	180

The income from investments for 2017 and 2016 was all unrestricted.

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5. COST OF RAISING FUNDS

	2017 £	2016 £
Spring Fiesta	-	35,019
Christmas Concert	1,354	4,133
Opera in the Garden	14,565	-
Running Events	1,350	-
	<u>17,269</u>	<u>39,152</u>

The expenditure on raising funds for 2017 was £17,269 (2016: £39,152) of which £15,919 (2016: £39,152) was unrestricted and £1,350 (2016 £0) was restricted.

6. COST OF GENERATING CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2017 £	2016 £
Medical Equipment	30,287	51,152
Newsletter	436	250
Office Expenses	1,526	1,220
	<u>32,249</u>	<u>52,622</u>

Expenditure on charitable activities was £32,249 (2016: £52,622) of which £12,124 was unrestricted (2016: £29,030) and £20,125 was restricted (2016: £23,592).

No Trustees received any remuneration during the year (2016: NIL).

No Trustees were reimbursed for any out of pocket expenses during the year (2016: NIL).

There have been no related party transactions during the year (2016: none).

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7. DEBTORS

	2017	2016
	£	£
Prepayments	18,408	16,110
Other debtors	205	439
	<u>18,613</u>	<u>16,549</u>

8. CASH AT BANK

	2017	2016
	£	£
BBVA Current Account	10,041	7,155
HSBC Treasurer's Account	24,647	24,009
HSBC Savings Account	10,044	10,040
COIF Deposit Account	41,429	41,332
	<u>86,161</u>	<u>82,536</u>

9. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2017	2016
	£	£
Other Creditors	430	1,277
	<u>430</u>	<u>1,277</u>

10. RESTRICTED FUND ACCOUNTING

	2017	2017	2017	2017	2016
	B/F 1 Jan	Income	Expense	C/F 31 Dec	
	£	£	£	£	£
Special Appeal 2016	5,017	-	(3,787)	1,230	5,017
Opera in the Garden	-	12,305	(5,771)	6,534	-
Mocoa Appeal	-	10,075	(7,445)	2,630	-
Royal Parks Run	-	7,595	(4,472)	3,123	-
Kilimanjaro Challenge	-	2,286	-	2,286	-
	<u>5,017</u>	<u>32,261</u>	<u>(21,475)</u>	<u>15,803</u>	<u>5,017</u>

**The following page does not form part of the statutory financial statements
which are the subject of the independent examiner's report on page 4.**

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - YEAR ENDED
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	2017	2016
	£	£
REVENUE (LESS ASSOCIATED EXPENSES)		
Spring Fiesta (other than Appeal)	-	21,251
Special Appeal	-	25,822
Christmas Concert	2,369	3,940
Opera	12,309	-
FOCSA Challenge	605	3,754
Other Social Events	-	286
Royal Parks Run	6,245	-
MOCOA Appeal	10,075	-
Kilimanjaro Challenge	2,287	-
Other Donations	4,795	3,282
Bank Interest	100	180
TOTAL REVENUE	38,785	58,515
EXPENDITURE		
Equipment for Hospitals	30,287	51,152
Newsletter	436	250
Promotional Materials	476	496
Other	115	-
Bank Charges	70	143
Internet Charges	498	216
Insurance	367	365
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	32,249	52,622
NET REVENUE/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR	<u>6,536</u>	<u>5,893</u>
EQUIPMENT DONATIONS 2017		
Comunidad de las Hijas de Maria		
Auxiliadora, Guachené, Cauca	1,154	
Hogar de Nazareth, Bogotá	2,658	
Jardin de la Niña Maria, Bogotá	1,044	
Fundacion Julio Mario Santodomingo, Baru	3,610	
Fundacion Amadehu, Ibagué	228	
Instituto Roosevelt, Bogotá	2,195	
Comunidad Hijas de Santa Maria, Catatumbo	4,228	
Hospital Federico Lleras, Ibagué	3,982	
Hogar Santa Rita, Bogotá	116	
ESE Puesto de Salud, Cartagena, Corozal	959	
ESE Hospital José Maria Hernandez, Mocoa	7,445	
ICAL, Bogotá and Chia	2,668	
TOTAL EQUIPMENT DONATIONS	<u>30,287</u>	

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The economic environment during this year, the strengthening of the UK economy and the depreciation of the Colombian peso versus the British pound continues to be favourable for us for the purchase of our equipment in Colombian pesos. The strong UK economy and the optimism of many generous donors has helped us raise funds and continue our fundraising efforts everywhere, knocking on doors we never had and contacting new donors for donations.

FOCSA continues to recover the sales tax (IVA or VAT) of 16% levied on purchases in Colombia from the institutions to which we donate medical equipment. This enables FOCSA to purchase additional equipment for other institutions and hospitals. This procedure has been reviewed by legal experts in Colombia to make sure that we are complying with the legislation on charitable donations, and the procedure is explained to all the institutions in Colombia that request our help.

Interaction of FOCSA in the Latin American community

Besides the traditional ways of fundraising that have been explored so far by the charity, we also managed to create awareness among the local Colombian community by participating in events organized by the British and Colombian Chamber of Commerce, BCCC, ALAF and the Anglo Colombian Society, ACS, the Colombian Embassy and Colombian Consulate in London. We managed to interact with potential new donors, volunteers or simply people that would like to learn about the work of FOCSA.

Charitable Volunteering

One of the greatest strengths of FOCSA is the team of volunteers and people interested in helping us achieve our demanding targets. The great majority of members of FOCSA have been with the charity for many years and have often involved their friends and family. This is why we owe our gratitude to all this wonderful group of volunteers for their dedication, efforts and valuable time given to FOCSA.

Nevertheless, it is our constant duty to try to reach out for new donors, volunteers, and Trustees with new or even different skills and ideas. New people can help us build the future of the charity and increase our database of supporters, or even be the source of donors and projects to help in Colombia. FOCSA's recipe for success is the teamwork, energy and dedication that characterizes our people.

Social Media and FOCSA website

We have used the website primarily to show potential donors and the general public what we do, allow people to contact us requesting equipment donations and to attract new supporters and sponsors for all our fundraising. The Social Mass Media is also an effective and powerful marketing tool that we have used to market our activities.

FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES 2017

BCCC Feria de Servicios 2017

FOCSA was invited by the British and Colombian Chamber of Commerce (BCCC) to be part of their "Feria de Servicios para Colombianos y Latinoamericanos en el Exterior", on the 10th June 2017 at the Kensington Town Hall. It was an extraordinary opportunity to meet members of the Colombian and Latin-American community in London and to be able to tell all the attendees about our work. FOCSA participated as one of the charities invited and we sold the FOCSA wrist bands which helps us raise funds and connect with people and gave them our Newsletter to show our work. We raised £105 selling FOCSA wrist bands.

FOCSA Challenge 2017

The FOCSA Walk took place on the 9th July at Wimbledon Park. This is one of our most enjoyable fundraising events where families and friends walked wearing coloured laces and

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then gather to have a picnic. It was a very enjoyable day where we enjoyed a summary day in such a beautiful park.

Opera in the Garden 2017

Carmen by Bizet was the Opera that was staged and hosted by Mark and Laura Laurence in their House in Wimbledon, it was phenomenal success, a good example of a very easy and profitable strategy for our volunteers to host events at their private residences to raise funds for the charity. The opera took place in the evening on the 9th September. We gave to all of our 120 guest a list all the projects we had in the pipeline and they were be able to choose their preferred project and make a donation and raised £12,309 for the different projects chosen.

Royal Parks Foundation Half-Marathon 2017 The stunning Royal Parks Half Marathon took place on the 8th October 2017 with 10 enthusiastic runners supporting FOCSA. We are very grateful to all the participants for having taking this challenge to raise over £6,245 in aid of the Instituto Roosevelt, an orthopaedic children's hospital in Bogota and the Hospital Federico Lleras for their Human milk bank unit. We were pleasantly surprised with the response for this event and have 15 runners for 2018!

Christmas and Carols Concert 2017

The 2017 "Carols and Villancicos" Christmas Concert was held on the 1st December. We selected a Group of performers for this traditional Christmas Carols and Villancicos concert and invite all our friends and supporters to join us at this traditional, and charismatic Christmas event and managed to raise £2,369.

FOCSA Spring Fiesta 2018

On May 19th Friends of Colombia for Social Aid hosted his traditional Latin Fiesta at the Savoy Hotel, again another very successful event in which all the community gather together to support the Charity.

This time FOCSA has selected a project that will help to give hope for a bright and healthy future to thousands of children and their families. The Fundación Cardioinfantil-Instituto de Cardiología (FCI-IC) is a not- for-profit organisation established 43 years ago, which offers high quality medical attention to children and adults with very complex cardiovascular illnesses. The FCI-IC is a Centre of Excellence for Cardiovascular Medicine, Paediatrics, Transplants and Neuroscience.

Their mission is to treat all children, regardless of their parents' income or social status, who require specialised medical interventions that are not always available in other health institutions in Colombia. Approximately 70% of the children treated come from lower income back- grounds. The total amount raised was £65,000 which is wonderful news for the charity.

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OTHER FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES

Granola for Charity

Adriana Garcia Warren, decided to use her cooking skills to help charitable institutions like FOCSA with their fundraising efforts. She came with the wonderful idea to produce Organic Granola at home, in her spare time to sell to friends and donated part of the proceeds to FOCSA. We received £306 from Adriana from her Granola sales, what a wonderful idea!

FOCSA Kilimanjaro Trekking Challenge

Karry Sanchez Gonzalez decided to climb Mount Kilimanjaro in August 2017 together with 4 of her colleagues at work and approached us since they wanted to raise funds for one of our projects. After having completed this impressive and enduring challenge, they raised £2,287 on this fundraising campaign for the Fundación Protección de la Joven Amparo de Niñas in Bogotá. Well done Karry, very impressive!

FUTURE EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY

Royal Parks Foundation Half-Marathon - October 2018

On the 14 of October, 2018, 15 enthusiastic runners will run the Royal Parks Half Marathon on behalf of the children of Colombia. With the money we raise on this day, we will help Proyecto Union to buy an electroencephalograph that will help to diagnose high neurological risk in premature children.

Proyecto Union is a non-profit organisation in Bogota, which provides care in health, food and housing for children, adolescents and their families. Proyecto Union attends 70 children with severe disabilities. They also host children undergoing cancer treatment and high complexity illnesses.

Christmas and Carols Concert - December 2018

Friends of Colombia for Social Aid FOCSA, invites to our unique celebration of Christmas, a musical evening that features not only fantastic new interpretations of some well-loved music classics, but also traditional British Carols and Colombian Villancicos. We are selecting the project that will benefit from this fundraising.

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CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES - EQUIPMENT DONATIONS

EQUIPMENT DONATIONS TO HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS IN 2017 AND EARLY 2018

Institution	Aims	Equipment Needed	Cost
Comunidad de las Hijas de María Auxiliadora, Misión Maria Peregrina Guachené, Cauca	Day care centre for 250 children between 3 and 17 years old, living in the conflict area.	One freezer to keep essential food due to extreme weather conditions	£1,154
Hogar Nazareth de Misioneras de Cristo Maestro, Bogotá	Give accommodation during lengthy treatments to children with terminal illnesses such as HIV or cancer and their accompanying mothers	Examination bed, oxygen, pulse oximeter, senses diagnostic set, paediatric Tensiometer, 12 beds with bedside tables, wheelchair.	£2,658
Jardin de la Niña Maria, Bogotá	Foundation that provides approx. 60 vulnerable young girls with accommodation, study and psychological help.	A Whirlpool washing machine and dryer for the girls' personal care	£1,044
Clínica Julio Mario Santo Domingo, Barú	Provide basic dental care and medical assistance to 824 children in 3 vulnerable communities.	2 dental units, 2 fetal dopplers, 2 mechanical baby scales	£3,610
Fundación Amadehu, Ibagué	Temporary home for 12 nursing mothers, and mothers of ill and premature children who are under treatment in the nearest Hospital Federico Lleras Acosta.	Tableware, Kitchenware, 1 printer HP J4660	£228
Instituto Roosevelt, Bogotá	This equipment was originally donated to the Hospital San Rafael in Leticia and later transferred to the neonatal unit of this hospital where it will be fully utilised.	Neonatal Paediatric ventilator	£2,195

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Comunidad Hijas de Santa Maria de la Providencia, Municipio Playa de Belén, Catatumbo	This community of nuns runs a group of 35 schools located in one of the poorest and most violent places due to the armed conflict and hard weather conditions, children cannot often attend the school.	700 waterproof warm jackets	£4,428
Hospital Federico Lleras Acosta, Ibagué	Human milk bank that received an extractor in 2012 that got obsolete because of its extensive use: 36.000 extractions.	Human milk extractor and water purifier.	£3,982
ESE Puesto de Salud Cartagena de Indias, Corozal	Health Centre that treats 2,200 children monthly in the nearby area.	Portable Dental unit	£959
ESE Hospital José María Hernández de Mocoa -FOCSA Special Appeal	After the severe flooding that affected the city on the 31 March 2017, we launched this appeal to help this hospital, which was in desperate need of an incubator in order to treat premature babies and assist other local communities.	Transport incubator	£7,445
ICAL Instituto Colombiano de Audición y Lenguaje, Bogotá y Chía	ICAL looks after the hearing needs of around 850 children monthly. This Audiometer is for early detection of hearing difficulties, because the one they had was obsolete.	Inventis Basic Audiometer	£2,590
Fundación Tiempo de Juego, Cazucá, Bogotá	Foundation that aims to give vulnerable children and youngsters the possibility to make use of the free time to play football in order to avoid antisocial behaviour.	160 complete football uniforms to practice soccer in several vulnerable communities	£1,005

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Fundación Nacional Batuta, Bogotá	This Foundation aims to improve and enrich, through music, the quality of life of approx. 39,000 vulnerable children and young people who have experienced the atrocities of the armed conflict, as well as, youngsters with complex and special needs.	Musical instruments for 600 children with learning difficulties, some of these adapted to the requirements of specific children.	£5,892
Fundación Protección de la Joven Amparo de Niñas, Bogotá	Home and school for 120 vulnerable girls, victims of sex and drugs abuse.	Complete dental Unit and small odontology and medical equipment	£5,314

Total	£42,498
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EQUIPMENT DONATIONS AUTHORISED AND IN PROGRESS 2018

Institution	Aims	Equipment Needed	Cost
Instituto Roosevelt, Bogotá	Orthopaedic and Rehabilitation Children Hospital, in need of replacing obsolete equipment. Attends approx. 48,000 children pa	Electro-scalpel for surgery and anatomical dissection	Approx. £6,900
The Fundación Cardioinfantil-Instituto de Cardiología (FCI-IC), Bogotá - Special Appeal 2018	Medical equipment for the Paediatric Intensive Care Unit (ICU) to help very high-risk children with complex cardiovascular and pulmonary illnesses and treats approx. 700 children pa.	Two mechanical ventilators	Approx. £45,000

Total	£51,900
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CHARITY ADMINISTRATION

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Governing Document specifies that the Trustees are elected at the AGM to form the

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Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees was confirmed at our AGM 2016 as follows; Amanda Ardila, MA; Clemencia Cardozo, MA; Andres Monsalve RIBA; Louise Russ, MA (Treasurer); Martha Strange and Clemencia Corradine.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank them all for their advice and commitment.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

As per the requirements of the FOCSA Governing Document, the FOCSA Executive Committee was appointed by the Board of Trustees following our AGM 2017. The members of the FOCSA's Executive Committee were agreed and approved as follows:

President:	Laura Laurence
Vice president:	Andrés Monsalve
Treasurer:	Maria Parada
Head of Events:	Xihomara Zentner
Head of Projects:	Margarita González
Head of Fundraising:	Clemencia Corradine
Head of Administration:	Lucila Clarkson

To all the volunteer members of the FOCSA Executive Committee and Sub-committees in London, we would like to thank for all the great work that they have carried out over the last year.

FOCSA BOGOTA

The FOCSA Bogotá Committee continues to carry out visits to ascertain the needs of the health institutions which ask for our help, and follow up the donations that have been made, organising periodic visits and asking for statistics of the use of the equipment, ensuring good use is being made of our donations. They also coordinate the payment and delivery of the equipment. Members of the London Committee and Trustees also visited some of the projects during their trips to Colombia.

To all the volunteer members of the FOCSA Bogotá Committee, we would like to thank for all the great work that they have carried out over the last year.

CONCLUSION

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our friends, donors and sponsors, our Patron Baroness Gloria Hooper, our Honorary President Paola Napoli, HE Nestor Osorio, Colombian Ambassador and all the staff at the Colombian Embassy, Juanita Londoño, Colombian Consul, the Trustees, members of FOCSA Bogotá, FOCSA Executive Committee and Sub-committee members, and volunteers for going the extra mile to help us in our efforts to raise funds and deliver our promises. We look forward to counting with your support in the future.

I am pleased to submit this Report to the 42nd Annual General Meeting 2017. We have made a big difference to the most disadvantaged children in Colombia.

Laura Laurence
President
On Behalf of the Board of Trustees.

