

Trustees Annual Report 2022

Charity name: Casa Reom Trust

Registered charity number: 1113673

Charity address: 1a New Street,
Rugby,
Warwickshire,
CV22 7BE

Trustees: Dave MacLellan (Chairman)
Iain Slater (Treasurer)
Farai Mutsambiwa
Jane West

Structure, Governance and Management:

Governing document: Deed of Trust

How is the charity constituted? Declaration of Trust dated 23rd October 2005

Trustee selection method: By resolution of the trustees

Objectives and Activities:

Objects of the charity are:

To promote general charitable purposes for the benefit of the community of Beira, Mozambique and the surrounding area, and to provide relief from financial hardship and social and/or economic disadvantage and to advance the education of its residents of all ages; and in particular to provide opportunities for the aforementioned residents to participate fully in the life of their community in ways which address and alleviate social and economic disadvantage.

Summary of main activities in relation to these objects:

The present aims of the trust are:

- to raise funds to finance the completion of the new Youth With A Mission (YWAM) Casa Reom centre for street children in Inhamizua, Beira
- to ensure that the Casa Reom project has sufficient funds to cover the day-to-day running costs.

The trustees agree any development plans with the director of the Casa Reom centre, providing funds and receiving reports to monitor progress.

Some of the day-to-day running costs for the Casa Reom centre are provided by independent donations (not associated with the Casa Reom Trust) to YWAM UK. However, the trustees correspond with YWAM UK to ensure that sufficient funds are provided for running costs by sending Trust funds if necessary. Whilst donors can specify that they want to support regular running costs or the building project, normally funds which are donated to Casa Reom Trust will be allocated by the trustees to either the building project or running costs as is appropriate and required at the time.

Summary of main activities of the charity during 2022:

Continued Recovery

During 2022 the city of Beira continued to recover from the effects of COVID and Cyclone Idai. Both of these challenges are still having an impact on the local area despite the passing of time. Casa Reom continued to assist local families by donating food and clothing to the parents of school children at the start of the year.



Like many other young people in the area, the Casa Reom boys sought to make up for lost educational time with many having to repeat courses and exams cancelled the previous years. In Mozambique there are two critical exam stages: at the end of Grade 10 and Grade 12. The government aims to complete education to Grade 10 for all children, but achieving exam passes at Grade 12 gives young people better opportunities after leaving school.



During 2022 many of the boys studied for Grade 10 and Grade 12 exams with the support of Casa Reom staff. Two of the boys, Savimbe and Nelson, were able to complete their Grade 12 exams, opening up many possibilities for vocational training and further study.

Supporting Independence

The boys at Casa Reom are encouraged to complete a vocational training after finishing high school. During 2022, Benjamin, started a medical training course with plans to graduate in 2024.



Another boy, Jone, attended a vocational training course on catering when he was at Casa Reom and staff noticed a flair for cooking. Jone enjoyed his times on the kitchen rota at the centre and helped him find a work placement at a local restaurant after he finished school. During 2022 Jone began to work full time at the restaurant and one day may become a chef.

During the year, Jone also took the first step to living independently, moving into city centre accommodation found by the Casa Reom staff. By helping the boys to complete their education, attend vocational training and find jobs, Casa Reom seeks to help every boy live meaningful independent lives.

Escola Reom

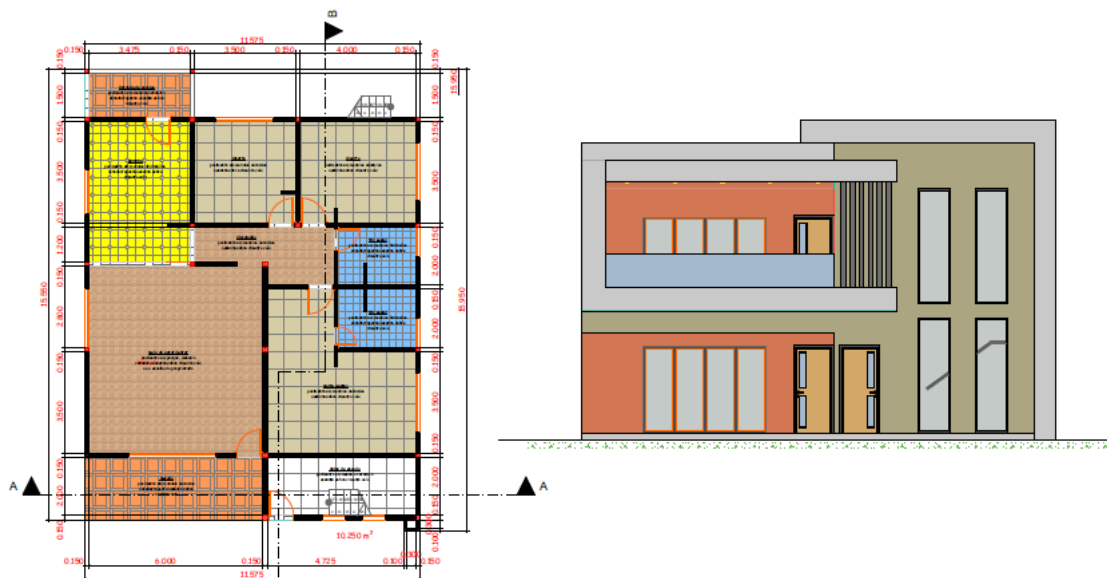
Escola Reom began another full year of classes in February 2022. There were 12 teaching staff delivering lessons to around 400 children in Grades 1 to 7. Throughout 2022 the class sizes, that had been reduced due to COVID restrictions, began to increase in size which allowed the school population to reach over 500 pupils at the six primary levels.



The new office block started to realise its full potential with Casa Reom staff and Escola Reom teachers getting together for their monthly planning meeting in the new school office. In addition to this, Casa Reom staff meet every week for prayer, study and planning.

Final Building Project

Work continued on the new Staff Accommodation Block at Casa Reom. This is the final building planned for the site. The Staff Accommodation Block has been designed in a flexible manner to house several families or a team of single workers. Currently staff accommodation is available in the smaller rooms of the boys dormitory, so the new block will free up more room for the boys sleeping in age groups.



The Big Give

To raise funds for the Staff Accommodation Block, Casa Reom Trust partnered with The Big Give and succeeded in raising almost £10,000 in a special Christmas Appeal at the end of the year.



By joining this national appeal, Casa Reom Trust was backed by pledges from 15 key supporters which created a matching fund for the main appeal. We were delighted by the response throughout December in helping us reach our target.

Looking Ahead

The Big Give appeal showed us what is possible with short, effective fundraising campaigns. An action plan for fundraising, set up in 2022, is now underway. This includes the launch of Casa Reom Trust on all the main online fundraising platforms, as well as some targeted fundraising approaches.

Additionally, in preparation for the completion of the new Staff Accommodation block, plans are also underway to recruit more staff members and make use of the full potential of the new building when it is available.

Further Information:

Past copies of all of our Annual Reports can be found on the Casa Reom website (www.casa-reom.org.uk) along with newsletters and further updates on the project.

Financial Review:

Brief statement of the charity policy on reserves:

The trustees do not aim to keep particular reserves but ensure that commitments to provide funds do not exceed trust assets.

The fund is not in deficit.

Principal funding sources:

Funds are collected through different mechanisms:

- fundraising events
- individual donations, both one off and by standing order
- donations from churches
- applications for grants from other charitable trusts

Fundraising events are organised by individuals or groups, including trustees of Casa Reom Trust. The Casa Reom Trust may be willing with prior agreement to pay for fundraising expenses, but the events remain the responsibility of the organisers.

The accounts are included below on page 7. The restricted funds are itemised and include money given by individual donors specifically for running costs and money raised for specific projects and purposes such as Nelio's Recovery Appeal.

Receipts in 2022 totaled £48,163 and included:

- £21,444 unrestricted one-off and regular donations
- £10,050 from churches and other charities/trusts
- £2,083 tax refund on Gift Aid Donations
- £13,573 restricted donations
- £954 from appeals and fundraising platforms

To all our donors, supporters, friends and volunteers – Thank you for your ongoing support!

Declaration:

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:



Signature:

Full name: David Kenneth MacLellan

Position: Chair

Date: 2 October 2023

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Casa Reom Trust
I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Casa Reom Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31st December 2022

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Signed: 

Name: NICOLA TYSALL

Address: 16 EVEREST RD. RUABY. CV22 6EX. UK

Date: 26.6.2023

Casa Reom Trust - Financial statement for the Year Ended 31st December 2022

Receipts and payment account:

	2022		2021		2022		2021	
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Unrestricted	Restricted	Unrestricted	Restricted	Unrestricted	Restricted
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts								
Standing Order/ Regular Donations	19,882	24	19,965	20,744	84	20,828		
One-off Donations	1,562	4,480	6,042	1,416	0	1,416		
Fundraising Events	0	5,078	5,078	0	0	0		
Donations from Other Charities / Trusts	10,050	1,350	11,400	9,559	0	9,559		
GAYL / Paypal / Amazon / Cards	147	0	147	485	0	485		
Appeals Platform	807	1,569	2,376	121	1,416	1,537		
Bank Interest	0	0	0	1	0	1		
Tax Refund on Gift Aid Donations	2,083	1,073	3,156	2,244	15	2,259		
Total receipts	34,531	13,573	48,163	34,572	1,515	36,087		
Payments								
Running Costs (through YWAM UK)			33,844	26	33,870	31,192		
Appeals			0	2,240	2,240	0		
Fundraising Expenses			0	0	0	165		
Building Project			0	19,205	19,205	0		
Total payments			33,844	21,471	55,315	31,357		

Receipts exceed payments by:	2,833
Cash, and bank deposits 1st Jan 2022	18,707
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	<u>11,555</u>

2022 Restricted Receipts:

Running Costs	£ 26
Building Work	11,738
Christmas Appeal 2021	1,809
	<u>13,573</u>

2022 Restricted Payments:

Running Costs	£ 24
Building Work	19,205
Christmas Appeal 2021	1,809
	<u>21,038</u>

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st December 2022

Assets	£
Bank current account	11,555
Bank deposit account (closed)	0
Cash in hand	0
Total cash	<u>11,555</u>
Restricted cash	7,574
Designated cash	0
Unrestricted cash	3,981