# **Trustees Annual Report 2021**

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 23<sup>rd</sup> 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 dayto-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 2021:

#### Success Stories - Pedro & Monteiro

At the end of the day, the success of Casa Reom can be measured by considering its impact on the lives of the children and young people it seeks to help. In 2021, we saw the fruit of many years of investment in the lives of Pedro and Monteiro.



Pedro arrived at Casa Reom at the age of 7, when another orphanage he had been placed in closed down. He had never been to school so started Grade 1 at Escola Reom and did well in his education. Recognising his ability, Casa Reom sponsored Pedro to attend a residential school for a number of terms and then enrolled him onto a general medicine course after finishing high school. He applied himself to long hours of study while working on hospital wards and he even ended up with responsibility for a whole ward during Mozambique's Cyclone Idai in 2019. After graduating, Pedro won a place at the national Police college amidst tough competition and in 2021 started working at the national Police hospital. Pedro's next goal is to study to be a doctor.

Monteiro was born in small district of Manica province in the west of Mozambique, when his mother was living in a refugee camp and found himself cut off from the rest of his family following a breakdown in his parent's relationship. When his mother died in 2006. Monteiro ended up at Casa at the age of 10. Monteiro went to college and graduated as a P.E. teacher at the end of 2020. He was due to begin a teaching placement to complete his probationary teaching in 2021, but when school closed due to COVID lockdown he had the idea of falling back on his Casa Reom vocational training to to serve as a contract worker for the Mozambique railway. Monteiro is loving his time on the railways, and is able to save the money he earns towards a place of his own. But he still looks forward to becoming a full time P.E teacher in the future.



#### Escola Reom School – helping other schools

2021 was another difficult year for all schools in Beira, as they sought to catch up with the education missed during the COVID pandemic. The year was to begin with pupils sitting the end-of-year exams that could not take place the previous year because of COVID, when cyclone Eloise struck in January 2021. The 120 km/h winds caused widespread damage and the nearby government Secondary School once again lost most of its roof that had been replaced following cyclone Idai in 2019. The buildings at Casa Reom remained secure throughout the storm, a testament to the wisdom of our Build Back Better approach.



Thanks to quick thinking by Casa Reom's leader, Oliveira Mocuna, Escola Reom was able to offer its classrooms so that children from the Inhamizua Secondary School could sit their exams. This is just one example of the good level of partnership working between Casa Reom and the local community.

# Vocational Training - new computing facilities

A key emphasis of Casa Reom is on education and training to provide a good foundation and the skills required for young people's futures. The boys who live at Casa Reom start their education at Escola Reom they then go on to attend a variety of secondary schools and vocational training centres that match their interests and capabilities.

During 2021 a new computing suite was opened at Casa Reom, where a tutor assists the staff in teaching essential computing skills.



All of these vocational skills give the Casa Reom boys a positive advantage when applying for jobs and prepare them to support themselves when they eventually leave Casa Reom.

# **Building work**

During 2021 two new buildings were completed on the Inhamizua site.



The new sanitary block finally provides adequate facilities for Escola Reom pupils, removing the pressure off the shower and toilet block that is used for Casa Reom boys.



The new office block houses offices for Casa Reom administration staff, previously located 45 minutes away in the centre of Beira. The block also houses the new computing suite equipped with a new internet connection for the site. There is also a new office for the Escola Reom headmaster and a general-purpose meeting room used by both Casa Reom staff and Escola Reom teachers.

## **Looking Ahead:**

Work is underway on the foundations for 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 Trust continues to work with YWAM towards greater sustainability for the project and has agreed plans to complete all the buildings at Inhamizua. Once these buildings are complete, we will continue the process of winding up the Trust as Casa Reom moves to a fully sustainable model.

# **Further Information:**

Past copies of all of our Annual Reports can be found on the Casa Reom website (<a href="www.casa-reom.org.uk">www.casa-reom.org.uk</a>) 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 2021 totaled £36,087 and included:

- £22,160 unrestricted one-off and regular donations
- £9,559 from churches and other charities/trusts
- £2,244 tax refund on Gift Aid Donations
- £1,515 restricted donations
- £606 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:

#### 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 2021

#### 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: No.

Name: NICOLA TYSALL Address: 16 EVEREST RD. RUGBY. CV22 GEX

Date: 18 · 7 · 2022

Casa Reom Trust - Financial statement for the Year Ended 31st December 2021

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st December 2021	at 31st December 2	2021											
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