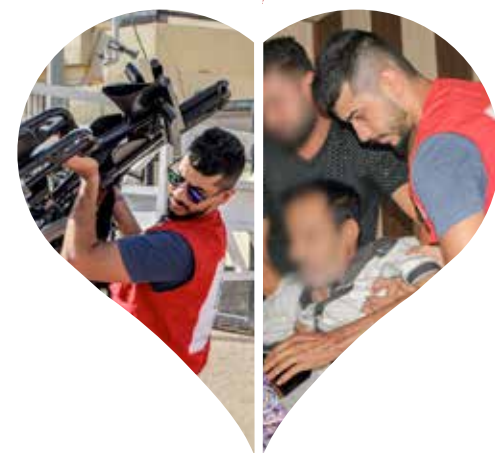
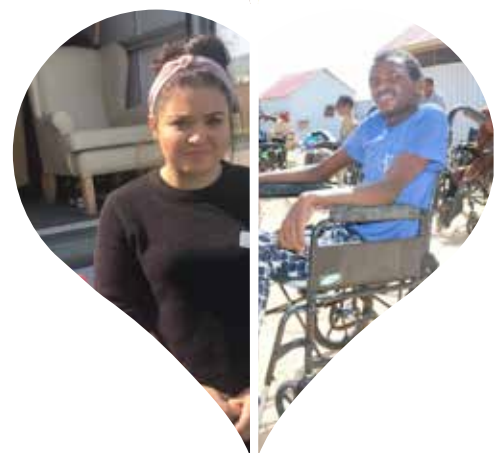


# Trustees' Annual Report 2018/2019



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## Charity Trustees

**Patsy Wood** – General Secretary  
**Khalid Raza** – Chairperson  
**Mohammed Haroon** – Treasurer

## Objectives and activities

Since 2015, our organisation Wheels to Heal has recycled over 4500 wheelchairs and 1500 other types of mobility aids such as zimmer frames, commodes and walking sticks for reuse overseas. This also includes some high value items, such as electric wheelchairs, specialised baths and hoists. We are committed to remaining a 100% donation and volunteer led project.

Research has found that in developing countries only 10% of disabled people possess a wheelchair. This means that millions of disabled people in third-world countries face unnecessary barriers to fulfilling their life potential.

Many simply can't afford a new wheelchair which can cost anywhere between £300-£500.

Our charity has continued to build and expand upon the foundation we have established over the past few years. We have improved the physical, emotional and often the economic well-being of thousands of people who face barriers to mobility due to impoverished situations, social stigma, access and conflict.

We have achieved this by:

- **Developing an incredibly small but successful supply of recycled wheelchairs and upcycling these to send them overseas.**
- **During 2018 we initiated and developed a quarterly uplift service throughout the Central Belt of Scotland and have now extended this to cover mainland Scotland from the Borders to the Highlands. Over 66% of the 600 care homes contacted responded favourably and 1500 aids were collected.**
- **Through substantive effort from our core volunteers we raised over £25,000 pounds through Just Giving and were honoured to be invited as finalists to their Annual event in London in October 2018.**

**This substantially increased the exposure of our work and connected us to other organisations who may partner or support us in the future.**

- **We have attended the Glasgow Mela festival increasing our reach to a wider local audience**
- **Helping to dispel myths about the disabled and reducing the stigma these individuals face in many of the recipient countries.**
- **Reducing the amount of waste and landfill in the UK through recycling and reusing the mobility aids overseas and benefitting people who have no access to this type of life changing equipment**
- **Enabling those who cannot afford or have no access to mobility aids in many countries which are either developing their economy or facing conflict or civil unrest**

Our ethos is humanitarian and our goal is to recycle mobility aids which can be reused by people in areas without access to the same support system that exists in the UK for the disabled.

*Tariq, an 11 year old Syrian refugee living in Waidi Zain in Lebanon since 2017 receiving a wheelchair donated by our volunteers visiting the country in April 2019.*



## Structure, governance and management

### Type of governing document

Our organisation is a Single Tier Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

As part of our initiation process we developed and agreed an Operational Plan to outline our core objectives and aims and we have and will continue to maintain adherence to that structure.

Where appropriate we will adapt our governing documents adhering to the guidance outlined within our Constitutional Guidelines.



*30 Wheelchairs delivered in Somalia to disabled people in need of mobility via One Life Global Welfare*

## Trustee recruitment and appointment

Our trustees are a core, dedicated trio of individuals who are passionate about:

- advocating and practicing equality for all
- improving access to mobility as part of basic human rights
- targeting and helping those who are disabled overseas where they
  - are particularly impacted by conflict
  - or where the local environments impact access to these aids.

We encourage our volunteers to join our Board and have a diversity in both Trustees and our volunteer support network.

## Key Calendar Events which Supported Wheels to Heal

- Disco Inferno – October 2018 - in Blackburn, West Lothian
- Just Giving Event – 20th November 2018 – London
- Ramadan 2019 – May/June 2019 – Various Central Belt
- Glasgow Mela Festival – 16th June 2019 – Glasgow

## Achievements and performance

During 2018 and 2019 our team of volunteers and supporters across the spectrum have enabled us to not only achieve our initial target but surpass our own expectations. The target was 3 containers.

- Palestine – container left Glasgow on 11th October 2018
- Yemen – container left Glasgow on 12th September 2018
- Lebanon – container left Glasgow on 27th February 2019
- Somalia – container left Glasgow on 28th June 2019



Having successfully obtained Gift Aid we are proud to state we have a 125% donation policy. As a volunteer driven organisation, we are one of the few charities in the market able to do so.

*Atif Amanath Ali, one of a handful of recipients of a wheelchair in the area of Chak No: 87, Mirpur - District Nankana Sahib in Pakistan. Local Glasgow based Nexus Travel and Cargo shipped two dozen chairs in goodwill on Wheels to Heals behalf.*

## Yemen

container loading Glasgow  
12/09/2018



## Lebanon

container loading Glasgow  
27/02/2019



## Palestine

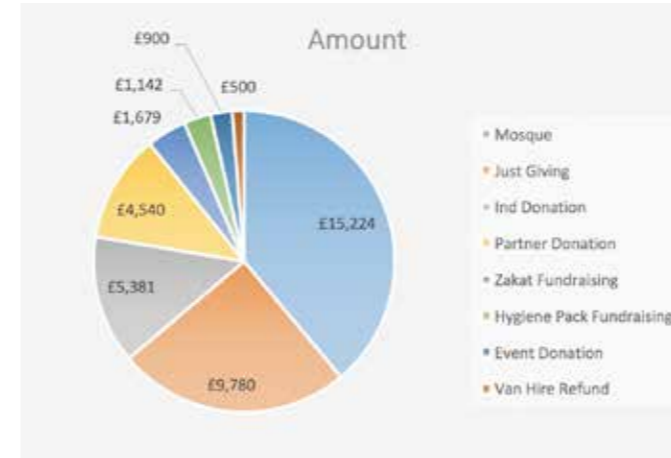
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11/10/2018



## Somalia

container loading Glasgow  
28/06/2019

## Financial review



CREDIT TYPE	Amount	DEBIT TYPE	Amount
Mosque	£15,224	Wheelchair Payment	£10,362
Just Giving	£9,780	Logistics - Overseas	£7,636
Ind Donation	£5,381	Zakat Donation Overseas	£984
Partner Donation	£4,540	Van Hire Deposit	£570
Zakat Fundraising	£1,679	Marketing	£234
Hygiene Pack Fundraising	£1,142	Expenses	£185
Event Donation	£900	Utility Bills	£75
Van Hire Refund	£500	Logistics - Domestic	£61
	<b>£39,146</b>		<b>£20,107</b>

Our financial analysis demonstrates the different sectors which support our organisation. This will enable us to target and strengthen our campaign strategy in 2020. We benefit from the support of organisations ranging from mosques and partner charities through to the generosity of individuals who directly donate or respond to the campaigns we drive and deliver. The most active period for donations is during Ramadan.

In addition, this analysis helps to reflect where our charity's money is spent. The bulk of our costs are related to the securing and delivery of the products. The majority of administrative and marketing services are provided by the trustees themselves to further minimise our direct costs. Considerable labour costs are eliminated through promoting a volunteer driven charity model.

## The Curricular Economy



Our small charity has big ambitions in aligning ourselves to addressing the climate crisis challenges in any way we can through;

- actively reducing waste by rescuing mobility aids destined for the scrapyards
- through recycling these goods rather than turning them into waste
- reducing carbon emissions related to waste management of these mobility aids
- re-using these mobility aids to the benefit of the disabled overseas
- repairing and upcycling mobility aids rather than destroying them
- re-gifting these precious treasures instead of treating them like junk
- through these actions we are actively supporting the circular economy

## Donated facilities and services

As above we have the use of an area within a building, free of charge other than utility bill sharing, for a location within Tradeston in Glasgow. Occasionally we benefit from businesses providing access to vans which help lower our transportation costs. All physical work is carried out voluntarily and similarly with administrative duties,

## Future plans

Due to the success of our Care Home Quarterly Uplift initiative and the fact that over one million items are potentially discarded across the UK that could benefit those who are disabled overseas, we are going to actively pursue funding applications to obtain project workers to facilitate expanding this across the UK.

We are looking into the potential to host a grassroots event to showcase the work we have undertaken and the success this has had in transforming lives abroad as part of a large fundraising exercise.

## Additional information

We have expanded our volunteer base from 22 to 36.

Our social media profile has grown. Our Facebook followers have doubled in numbers from 216 to 453. In June 2019 alone our Facebook posts reached 2631 people.

We have benefited from the generosity of businesses who extend goodwill to us and discounted rates for promotional material, vehicle hire and food and drink for volunteers.

We have formed relationships with a number of overseas partners to help deliver the mobility aids. Agencies overseas that liaise with us to support our projects include:

- Bangladesh: Sylhat Aid
- Lebanon: ANERA (American Near East Refugee Association), Assalama Charitable Society for Wounded and Disabled
- Pakistan: Milestone Society for the Special Persons



*Over 500 mobility aids were shipped to and distributed in Yemen, a country facing what is described as the world's biggest humanitarian crisis.*

- Palestine: Gaza Ministry of Health
- Somalia: Disability Aid Foundation
- Yemen: Yemen Family Care Association
- Global: World Health Organisation, United Nations High Commission for Refugees

## Wheels to Heal Accounts High Level Summary

Item Description	Income	Expenditure	Balance
Donations from June 2018 to June 2019	£39,146		
Expenses from June 2018 to June 2019		£20,107	
<b>SUB-TOTALS</b>	<b>£39,146</b>	<b>£20,107</b>	<b>£19,038</b>

Our detailed accounts have been supplied for full transparency. The table above summarises our total donation and outlays during this reporting period.

## June 2018 through June 2019 Wheels to Heal Accounts

Period	Item Description	Income	Expenditure	Balance
June 18 - Jun 19	Event Donation	£900		
June 18 - Jun 19	Hygiene Pack Fundraising	£1,142		
June 18 - Jun 19	Ind Donation	£5,381		
June 18 - Jun 19	Just Giving	£9,780		
June 18 - Jun 19	Mosques	£15,224		
June 18 - Jun 19	Partner Donation	£4,540		
June 18 - Jun 19	Van Hire Refund	£500		
June 18 - Jun 19	Zakat Fundraising	£1,679		
June 18 - Jun 19	Expenses		£185	
June 18 - Jun 19	Logistics - Domestic		£61	
June 18 - Jun 19	Logistics - Overseas		£7,636	
June 18 - Jun 19	Marketing		£234	
June 18 - Jun 19	Utility Bills		£75	
June 18 - Jun 19	Van Hire Deposit		£570	
June 18 - Jun 19	Wheelchair Payment		£10,362	
June 18 - Jun 19	Zakat Donation Overseas		£984	
	<b>SUBTOTALS</b>	<b>£39,146</b>	<b>£20,107</b>	<b>£19,038</b>
28/06/2019	Accrued Expenses for K Raza incurred to end of June 2019		£289	
28/06/2019	Accrued Expenses for M Akhbar incurred to end of June 2019		£270	
28/06/2019	Accrued Expenses for P Wood incurred to end of June 2019		£128	

This is a further breakdown of the areas which constitute the total income and expenditure from June 2018 to June 2019.

*Abdul Raza*  
Chairperson



## Charity's policy on reserves

As an organisation our objective is to raise funding, collect, store, recycle and send unused and unwanted mobility aids from the UK and deliver these to those in desperate need overseas. Until we expand, we have no requirements for financial reserves as we use all donations to uplift mobility aids, load containers and deliver these to as many locations abroad as we can fund.

We have been fortunate to have had a storage location donated to us and our only outlay is to cover utility bills.

Part of our expansion plan is to look into obtaining external funding support for a project worker with the aim of extending our capability across the UK which will require storage locations and vehicle support at which time our approach to reserves will be amended to reflect items such as depreciation and maintenance.

Until that time we continue to use all donations, including Gift Aid to support the acquisition and delivery of aids to the end recipient.

## Details of any deficit

None at this time



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