

**EAST RENFREWSHIRE GOOD CAUSES
FUNDRAISING CHARITY
DIRECTORS REPORT AND FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS
For the year ended 30th September 2010**

Charity Number: SCO38233

EAST RENFREWSHIRE GOOD CAUSES FUNDRAISING CHARITY
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

**East Renfrewshire Good Causes Fundraising Charity is a
Charity registered in Scotland Number SCO38233**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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**EAST RENFREWSHIRE GOOD CAUSES FUNDRAISING CHARITY
REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS
For the year ended 30th September 2010**

The Board of Directors present their report and accounts for the year ended 30th September 2010.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The Charity is constituted as a company limited by guarantee, and is therefore governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Risk Management

The directors actively review the major risks faced by the Charity on a regular basis – financial, operational and business.

Organisational Structure

The day to day running of the Charity is undertaken by Russell Macmillan who is the unpaid Volunteer Co-ordinator. The Board of Directors oversee the operation through regular contact with the Co-ordinator.

Objectives & Activities

The objects of the Charity is the advancement of citizenship or community development as defined in S.7(3)(b) Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005.

In practice this means the Charity raises funds from individuals, businesses and groups so that it is able to give out grants to support good causes throughout East Renfrewshire.

Achievements and Performance

The following achievements were made possible by the support from "Friends of ER Good Causes".

- A lightweight collapsible portable wheelchair for use by an individual with Lupus and severe arthritis to enable greater independence and mobility outdoors.
- Grant to help a previous long stay hospital patient with mental health problems set up their own accommodation after being in a shared supported tenancy.
- Grant to renew some household goods for an adult with learning difficulties who requires 24/7 care support replacing unacceptable worn out items.
- Second hand furniture & carpeting for resident with multiple health issues including diabetic amputation of limb, to set up home after being homeless.
- Garden adaptations for 4 elderly ladies with learning/physical difficulties living in supported accommodation to allow safe access to back garden in wheelchairs.
- Transport costs for a pensioner attending 25 sessions of radiotherapy at the Beatson Cancer Centre, as the working family and kids lived too far away to help.
- Emergency removal costs for a late 40's adult with learning difficulties after the sudden deterioration in the their terminally ill mother's health - sole carer.
- Course material to enable a young single parent mother, recovering successfully using a methadone program, to attend college and gain training and qualification.
- Grant to support the training of an adult with Aspergers syndrome encouraging independent travel on public transport to access a further education college.

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- Replacement specialised footwear for an under 5 year old who is incontinent due to Downs Syndrome and related physical disability.
- Floor covering for a mid 50's adult with severe learning difficulties who is looked after by his brother and main carer on a full time basis.
- Safety equipment & volunteer training for a new community service mini bus to be used by disabled, elderly, etc for assisted shopping and recreation events.
- A grant towards a bathroom adaptation for a wheelchair dependant adult with secondary progressive multiple sclerosis enabling access for showering.
- Toys and clothing for a young child's birthday, who is living in a very deprived situation due to the substance misuse of the single parent.
- A computer for a severely agoraphobic teenager to enable them to participate in further education and prevent social isolation whilst recovering from the illness.
- A washing machine to help a mother with children, who are having to set up a new home after previously fleeing from domestic violence.
- Grant to allow a young boy, who suffers from Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy to take part in a recreation activity with his brother and family.
- A bed for a single parent who is suffering from mental health issues and living in poverty with children whilst recovering from substance misuse issues.
- A wardrobe and carpet to help set up home for a parent with children who had been homeless after fleeing from a 'domestic violence' situation.
- Funded a trial interactive music teaching & therapy session for a group of 8 adults with learning difficulties to evidence the benefits to other potential funders.
- Part funded a recreation placement for a non-verbal autistic teenager to help support his parents who also have another child with learning difficulties.
- Powered orthopaedic double bed for a medically retired ex army father and husband with a serious spinal disability to allow access out of bed without chronic pain.
- Transport costs to take very good quality donated second hand carpeting to a house where a young family had a toddler crawling about on bare floorboards.
- Fit paving slabs for a stable surface to enable a mid 70's person recovering from a knee replacement to safely use the back door thus preventing another fall.
- Power cards, emergency food for a single parent with a two year old child that are living in dire financial poverty and have no family support.
- Purchased some heavily discounted 'dead stock' and some basic carpeting/lino and off cuts to help establish a floor covering recycling scheme in East Renfrewshire.
- Provided new swimming costumes to 4 primary and preschool age kids from an underprivileged background to enable them to take part in free swimming lessons.
- Grant for a mid 40's adult with Downs Syndrome to personalise their own room within supported accommodation after the hospitalisation of their 80 year old mother/carers.

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- A quick reader that verbalises any printed word (TV listings, radio guide, daily paper bank statements) for a late 80's blind person with macular degeneration.
- A washing machine to a house where two young carers look after their single parent mother who suffers from serious mental health issues.
- White goods for a late 20's adult with cerebral palsy working part time, therefore not qualifying for a community care grant to independently set up home.
- A Moses basket and bedding to a recovering substance misuse single parent on a methadone programme for use with a new born baby.
- Help towards the cost of respite/recreation for a youngster with severe learning difficulties who requires round the clock supervision for their own safety.
- Flooring cost for a grandparent/kinship carer who looks after a grandchild with development delay problems due to the mother's heroin addiction whilst pregnant.
- Paid the cost of van hire to help facilitate a person to escape from a serious domestic violence situation without having to lose all their possessions.
- A cot for a baby who was still sleeping in a Moses basket which they had outgrown due to the poverty of the household situation with no working adult.
- A clothing grant for a primary school age child who lives with the grandparent to help support the kinship carer and prevent bullying at school.
- Domestic sensory equipment for a teenager with non verbal autism to try and calm her down when severely agitated & thus helps support the parents.
- A new cooker for a mid 30's disabled adult who had to move into a ground floor property due to decreasing mobility caused by the disability.
- A bed and fridge for a single parent with a primary school age child where the parent was successfully attending a methadone programme.
- A bed and clothing for a teenager who had to flee and move in to live with their grandmother/kinship carer, due to serious drug addiction of the single parent.
- A cooker and linoleum to help a young couple establish a home suitable for their new born baby after being allocated a bare floorboard empty property.
- A basic washing machine for a young single parent to try and support the home environment and prevent the baby having to be taken into care.
- A basic washing machine to a very young mother with a new born baby where concerns were expressed about potential neglect and an inability to cope.
- A second hand television and DVD player given to a single parent family where the 2 kids/young carers help support the parent during recovery from substance misuse.
- A book holding tray attachment for a wheelchair for use by a 5 year old child with spina bifida with no legs, thus needing hands free to propel wheelchair.
- A small grant to allow an 10 year old child to be included in a recreational event with his peers, after losing his dad to cancer some months prior to the event.

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- Transport costs for a single parent with 2 special needs children to travel to and from Yorkhill hospital whilst her child attended an extended inpatient assessment.
- A high/enclosing protective garden fence to enable a teenager with Aspergers to use their garden, without fear of anti social behaviour and help the single parent/carer.
- A garden gate for use by a schoolboy with Duchene Muscular Dystrophy ensuring his safety whilst using his wheelchair in the back garden.
- Recreation and mental stimulation equipment for use at the Age Concern Eastwood Dementia Project to encourage and help the centre's clients.
- A computer to assist with homework for a teenager with Aspergers Syndrome who is looked after by a grandparent/kinship carer due to drug addiction of parent.
- Grant towards replacing a vandalised windscreen, for the single parent carer of a child with cerebral palsy, after police and social work involvement.
- Provide a new single bed for a pensioner caring for her husband with motor neurone whose deteriorating condition required a hospital bed at home.
- A large donated, good condition, second hand floor rug for a single mother on a successful methadone programme who is co-operating with support staff.
- A clothing grant for a terminally ill pensioner (cancer) to provide smaller sized clothing thus allowing hospital discharge home for remaining weeks of life.
- Part fund the cost of adaptations to a mobility car for a mid teens wheelchair user to enable access to the car without the carer having to lift in and out.
- Provide a fridge/freezer to a 75 year old temporary homeless man to help establish a new tenancy after being flooded with no home insurance in place.
- Part fund a specialised trike to allow a ten year old child with Downs Syndrome to join the school class in doing the cycling proficiency training.
- To transport and fit good quality donated second hand carpeting to a very young family with a disabled dad, to prevent their toddler crawling on bare floor boards.
- Bikes for a father and teenage son with autism, allowing the son's excess energy to be used up and make it easier for the single parent father to care for him.
- White goods for a 40's adult with severe mental health/compulsive disorder to help them sustain and remain independent within their own accommodation.
- A computer for a mid 40's housebound full time wheelchair user to try and prevent severe social isolation and have contact with the outside world.
- Gas and electricity pre-payment cards for a pensioner who is a community volunteer in financial crisis and had no heating or electricity.
- A grant towards the cost of recreation equipment for a group of 10 adults with learning difficulties to enhance the group's activities.
- A computer to help a deaf teenager access homework via a computer memory stick instead of writing notes and lip reading simultaneously at school.

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- Help with removal costs for a mid 40's adult with serious mental and physical health issues to relocate to a ground floor property.
- A lightweight wheelchair for the 'Eastwood Dementia Project' to help frail elderly service users access the centre more easily.
- Cleaning and sanitising a flat for the return from emergency respite of a pensioner with mental health issues resulting in severe personal neglect.
- Touch screen computer for an early teens pupil at Isobel Mair School to allow a pupil with learning difficulties to operate it independently.
- A small grant to allow an under privileged teenager to access a volunteering opportunity that would enhance future employment prospects.
- A computer for an adult with a life limiting diagnosis to enable communication in the event of speech becoming increasingly difficult.
- Fridge/freezer for a late 40's adult, with a serious head injury to allow a better quality of life within supported independent living accommodation.
- A portable flat screen monitor to attach to the 'Geddes Glider' allowing to demonstrate the product to visually impaired individuals.
- Contribution towards the cost of adapting a wet room shower and toileting facility for a late 40's Multiple Sclerosis full time wheelchair user.
- A specialised mouth only operated computer control/mouse to allow an early 60's MS patient to use their computer despite having no use of arms or legs.
- A contribution towards the cost for a mid 20's adult with learning difficulties to set up and live independently within her own flat.
- Part fund a specialised pair of glasses for a young person to enhance the ability of them to integrate and learn within mainstream school environment.
- A 'Geddes Glider' reading machine for an early 80's blind person (macular degeneration) allowing them to maximise the little remaining vision that they have.
- A 'Geddes Glider' reading machine as a demonstration unit for East Renfrewshire Good Causes to help identify potential beneficiaries – only suitable for some people.
- Specialised trike for use by disabled children that was donated to East Renfrewshire Good Causes which was then gifted to the Isobel Mair School.
- Help towards the removal costs for an early 80's vulnerable pensioner with no family, to move into sheltered housing.
- A computer for a 15 year old school pupil with learning difficulties to try and reduce the problem of becoming socially isolated from their peer group.
- A purpose built trike for a teenager with severe head injuries allowing them to safely get some enjoyment and exercise.
- A washing machine to a widower (previously with alcohol dependency issues, but has remained sober for 2+ years) caring for his 2 school age children.
- A £5k Residential Sensory Room for 2 young adults with severe non verbal autism to calm them down when agitated without the need for medication.

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- Transport, Course Fee's and Equipment to allow a teenage carer to complete the final part of their 'Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme'.
- Help with the costs involved for 2 parents, to accompany their child to go and receive ongoing medical treatment at Great Ormond Street Hospital in London.
- A talking 'quick reader' machine for a blind (Macular Degeneration) early 80's carer allowing wife to remain independent and care for husband.
- Hand held magnifier/camera/light allowing a late 80's widow (Macular Degeneration) to read menus, labels on prescribed tablets, etc and maximise remaining vision.
- Transport costs for a mid 50's Multiple Sclerosis full time wheelchair user to go to 'Leuchie House' for a week's respite.
- Pay for additional specialised glasses for a primary school age child to enhance their ability to learn and improve their social integration, confidence, etc.
- Two beds bought from the Salvation Army for a mother and 2 kids setting up home after fleeing from domestic violence.
- A desktop 'Smart View Synergy' cctv/camera/magnifier allowing a late 80's visually impaired (Macular Degeneration) lady to read again after a period of two years.
- A hand held camera/magnifier/light enabling the background of writing to be changed to suit individual needs as a demonstration unit for East Renfrewshire Good Causes
- Marketing Fee to help relocate a couple from a house to a level access flat due to deterioration in mobility of MS sufferer and make it easier for full time carer/husband.
- Provided a hand held combined magnifier/camera/light to a widow with sight loss due to Macular Degeneration, enabling her to read labels etc whilst shopping.
- A machine that talks any printed word, allowing blind people to listen to personal mail, bank statements etc – for East Renfrewshire Good Causes to identify people who could benefit.
- A contribution towards funeral costs for a widow with 3 pre-school age children to bury their husband/father after dying through cancer.

Financial Review

Principal Funding Source

The principal source of funding for the charity is regular monthly and single donations.

Transactions and Financial Position

The statement of financial activities shows income for the year of £32,761 (2009 - £22,430) and reserves standing at £7,089 (2009 - £6,153) in total.

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Reserves

The general reserves are in surplus but the Charity is committed to supporting future good causes. The directors would like to maintain general reserves at an adequate level.

Plans for Future Periods

The directors intend to continue to seek ways to maximise donations and to support as many good causes as funds allow.

Directors

During the financial year the board of directors was made up as follows:

D. Duncan W. Dick
Yvonne D. Macmillan
Alastair I. Macqueen
Keith D.B. Roberts

Independent Examiner

S.L. Aiton of Messrs. Aiton & Co. CA is proposed for reappointment as Independent Examiner for the ensuing year.

Small Company Rules

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the Board on 22nd February 2011.

Keith D.B. Roberts
Director

**EAST RENFREWSHIRE GOOD CAUSES FUNDRAISING CHARITY
INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT
TO THE DIRECTORS OF EAST RENFREWSHIRE GOOD CAUSES
FUNDRAISING CHARITY**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30th September 2010 which are set out on pages 10 to 13.

Respective responsibilities of directors and examiner

The charity's directors are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity directors consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (a) to (c) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. 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 seeks explanations from the directors concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention –

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44(1) (1) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 8 of the 2006 Accounts Regulationshave not been met, or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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22nd February 2011

EAST RENFREWSHIRE GOOD CAUSES FUNDRAISING CHARITY
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
For the year ended 30th September 2010

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2010</u> £	<u>2009</u> <u>Total</u> £
INCOMING RESOURCES			
Incoming resources from generated funds:			
Voluntary Income	2	<u>32761</u>	<u>22430</u>
Total Income		<u>32761</u>	<u>22430</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Charitable Expenditure	3	31711	20898
Governance Costs	6	<u>114</u>	<u>53</u>
Total Resources Expended		<u>31825</u>	<u>20951</u>
Net Incoming Resources		936	1479
Funds at 30th September 2009		<u>6153</u>	<u>4674</u>
Funds at 30 September 2010		<u>7089</u>	<u>6153</u>

EAST RENFREWSHIRE GOOD CAUSES FUNDRAISING CHARITY
BALANCE SHEET
As at 30th September 2010

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2010</u> £	<u>2009</u> £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	8	2239	1164
Cash at bank and in hand		4850	4989
Net assets		<u>7089</u>	<u>6153</u>
Funds			
General Reserves		<u>7089</u>	<u>6153</u>

The directors consider that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to have an audit under the provisions of Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006. Members have not required the Company under Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006 to obtain an audit for the year ended 30th September 2010. The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006, and for preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at 30th September 2010 and of its surplus for the year then ended in accordance with the requirements of Section 396, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Act relating to the accounts so far as applicable to the company.

The financial statements on pages 10 to 13 which have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to small companies were approved by the board on 22nd February 2011 and signed on its behalf.

D. Duncan W. Dick
 Director

EAST RENFREWSHIRE GOOD CAUSES FUNDRAISING CHARITY
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting Convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006, the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008) and Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities issued in March 2005.

Income

Voluntary income is received by way of donations and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when received.

Grants Making Policy

The Charity seeks to support causes which are not covered by the statutory sector. Approaches are made by frontline professionals such as doctors, social workers and carers and applications can be made by individual members of the community.

The Board then considers each case on its own merits and can award grants of up to £500 in most cases. Where grants are in excess of the Charity's resources partner organisations maybe sought to support a larger grant on a case by case basis.

Resources Expended

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of any VAT which cannot be recovered.

Expenditure which is directly attributable to specific activities has been included in these cost categories.

Expenditure on Governance

Governance costs of the charity relate to the costs of running the charity such as accounting and other statutory requirements.

2. DONATIONS

The directors records their appreciation of donations received during the financial period as follows:

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>Lump Sum Donations</u>	<u>17390</u>	<u>12137</u>
<u>Just Giving Donations</u>	<u>2579</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>Regular Donations</u>	<u>8877</u>	<u>7854</u>
<u>Gift Aid</u>	<u>3915</u>	<u>2439</u>
Total	<u>32761</u>	<u>22430</u>

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3. CHARITABLE EXPENSES	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Payments to beneficiaries (note 4)	31391	20714
Post, stationery, printing & general expenses	110	184
Membership 'Just Giving'	<u>210</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>31711</u>	<u>20898</u>
4. PAYMENTS TO BENEFICIARIES		
The Charity supported 164 (2009 – 69) beneficiaries through its payments of £31,391 (2009 - £20,714).		
A detailed breakdown of these achievements are shown in the Director's Report on pages 2 to 7 of these accounts.		
5. DIRECTORS REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES		
The members of the Board as trustees and directors of the charitable company received no remuneration nor expenses from the charity.		
6. GOVERNANCE COSTS	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Information Commissioner Fee	35	-
Fundraising Standards Board Membership	50	30
Independent Examiner Fee	<u>29</u>	<u>23</u>
	<u>114</u>	<u>53</u>
7. TAXATION		
The company has been approved by HM Revenue & Customs as having charitable status and is exempt from taxation.		
8. DEBTORS	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Gift Aid Debtor	<u>2239</u>	<u>1164</u>
9. COMMITMENTS		
<u>Grants</u>		
The Board have authorised certain grants which are subject to acceptance by the recipient. The total amount authorised but not accrued as expenditure at 30 th September 2010 was £- (2009 - £-).		
10. COMPANY INFORMATION		
East Renfrewshire Good Causes Fundraising Charity is a company limited by guarantee and with no share capital.		