



Asecondchance (AC)
Choices to the marginalised

ASECONDCHANCE LIMITED

ANNUAL REPORT

1st April 2016 – 31st March 2017

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Company Registration Number:	6794506
Charity Registration Number:	1131446
Chairman of the Board of Directors:	Charles Maloba
Directors:	Charles Maloba Epha Crofts Colin Crofts Charles Echessa Margaret Bwakali
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CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

The year ending March 2017 focused on completion of activities initiated in the previous year and was full of challenges resulting from reduction in grants. However, with a grant from Big Lottery, the planned activities were carried with satisfaction. The in-kind contribution from Trustees and continued support from the Executive Director, who offers four voluntary service enabled Asecondchance to continue delivering its promises to marginalised families.

Income recorded for the year was £185,441 compared to £218,592 raised in the in the previously financial year. During this period, Asecondchance largely covered operations costs and dependent on the Trustees support to build the capacity of our partner organisations in Kenya. Voluntary support also contributed to the reduced operational costs for the year.

With support from Big Lottery, we continued to provide child and maternal health programme in Kenya and delivery of vocational training to participating mothers. The hope generated by Big Lottery funded project amongst women and girls out of school has demonstrated that the issues of health can be addressed through many other economic projects apart from direct health services. Vocational training for young women and poultry keeping have received a renewed interpretation by the community and accepted as an appropriate transformational strategy for poor families.

We continued to support our local partners to implement social protection programmes focusing on education, vocational training, health services maternal health and street children rehabilitation.

We are grateful for the grants we received from Big Lottery Fund and Trusts and Foundations which enabled us to fulfil our promises to marginalised communities in Kenya.

We are grateful for the voluntary contribution of our Trustees towards project planning and design, fundraising and monitoring of programmes which would not have been realised without staff on board. Voluntary support on management of Asecondchance administration has been appreciated highly.

Our resolution to start operations in Essex County was not implemented due to inadequate resources to cater for personnel and validation survey. We hope this will be implemented in the coming year.

We look forward to successful year as we continue with our mission towards marginalised families.



Charles Maloba (Chairman)

DIRECTORS' REPORT

The charity presents its annual report for the year ended 31st March 2017

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE & MANAMENT

- The executive committee comprises of five Directors who are Trustees of Asecondchance prepare a report, which is shared amongst them as they share responsibilities for the day-to-day management of the Charity.
- No new directors were recruited during the year.
- The directors have a broad range of backgrounds that contribute significantly to the work and programming of Asecondchance's work globally.

GOVERNING INSTRUMENT

The charity was established under a Memorandum of Association established in January 2009 and is registered as a charity as well. The objects and powers of the charity and company are governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up, members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £10

OBJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

Asecondchance aims to achieving lasting change in lives of children and their families living in poverty in developing countries, through processes that are participatory and inclusive of the marginalized groups and communities. AC has one strategic goal and five strategic objectives.

Strategic Goal

To improve the quality of life for marginalised women and children by promoting their right to survival, health and development.

Strategic Objectives

In order to focus on issues affecting women and girls, we reviewed our strategic objectives building on the lessons learned over years and our comparative advantage in terms of existing capacities amongst the trustees and volunteers.

Maternal and Child Health

- Improve the provision of maternal and child health services for marginalised women and girls in East Africa

Education and Safer Environments for Children

- Promote quality education, life skills and safe environment for children with special attention to vulnerable children and girls

Prevention of Violence against Women and Girls

- Reduce the prevalence and incidence of abuse and violence against women and girls in targeted communities

Economic Development and Sustainable livelihoods

- Promote the economic and social development of young women, especially teenage mothers and adolescents, leading to sustainable livelihoods

Institutional Capacity Development for AC and its Partners

- Strengthen the capabilities of AC and partners to facilitate the delivery of quality of women's and children's rights and development interventions across East Africa

ACHIEVEMENTS & PERFORMANCE

Asecondchance continued to support various programmes in Kenya and in line with its three-year strategic direction.

Social Protection

The Social Protection for women, girls and children is one of the projects that Asecondchance has supported over the years. The Project is implemented by our partner in Kakamega county of Kenya. The project aims to improve the lives of marginalised women girls and children through targeted support which includes vocational training provision of uniform and health services.

Achievements

During the year under review, some of the activities implemented by our partners under social protection included

- Vocational training to over young mothers, women and vulnerable former street children. As a consequent over 75 women improved their livelihoods;
- Uniforms and leaning materials to former street children and orphans;

- Psycho-social support to children rescued from streets;
- Education on gender based violence in schools and community;
- Sensitisation of adolescent girls on HIV/AIDs and its social economic impact on the infected and affected.



Street children gathered by one of our partners for rehabilitation and involvement of the boys in sport as a process of rehabilitation and harnessing talent



Young mothers display certificates after successfully completing training in pastry.

Health Project

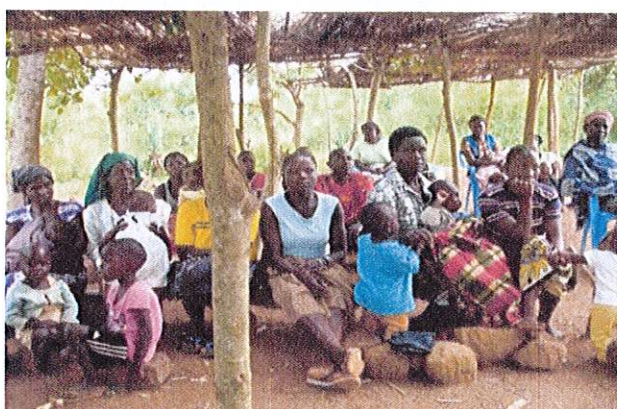
Big Lottery Funded Community Innovations for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health (CIMNCH) in Busia County of Kenya continued in its second year with remarkable success. The project focus on the following outcomes:

- i) Increased Knowledge and safer home hygiene and sanitation behaviour contributing to improved health amongst beneficiary communities through reduction in incidences of diarrhoea diseases among children under five years;
- ii) Children under five years, pregnant or lactating mothers have essential Nutrition Actions and adequate nutrition leading to improved nutritional Status;
- iii) Women and children under five years have greater access and utilization of maternal health services through strengthened referral system and linkages on the continuum of healthcare leading to improved maternal and child healthcare practices

Achievements

Based on the project focus, the following have been achieved:

- Percentage of women of reproductive age, pregnant mothers and care givers with appropriate hand and face washing behaviour is 75% i.e. 4,246 of the target;
- Percentage of women and care givers who can report at least two ways of preventing diarrheal disease have increase to 72.6% i.e. 5,249 of the project target;
- Percentage of children with incidences of diarrhoeal diseases has reduced from 68% to 24%;
- Number of children with increased birth weight from year on year to 1,515;
- Number of children with less incidences of diseases associated with poor nutrition has increased to 90%;
- Number of households benefiting from utilisation and uptake of health care services increased from 35% to 83%.



Last year, wondering what next



This year, vocational training



Before the project



After the project, kitchen gardening

Construction

We continued supporting the construction of a young people skills centre that will provide adequate facilities for vocational training, offices and health facilities for marginalised women, children, street children and teenage mothers.

Financial Review

The key financial statements to be read in conjunction with this financial review are statements of Financial Activities on page 11, the balance Sheet on page 12 and notes on pages 13 to 16.

Total incoming resources in cash were **£134,713**, a decrease of **18%** from the previous year. The philanthropic contribution from trustees was equally significant and was considered under technical and administrative support to the charity as the directors contributed their skills and time as sweat equity. This silent contribution by the trustees has significantly contributed to growth and development of Asecondchance. Voluntary service by the Executive Director creates the much-needed hours to manage operations, including adherence to statutory requirements and filing of returns thus minimising administrative costs.

	1st April 2016 opening balances £	Net movement during year £	Loss in market value of investments £	31st March 2017 Closing balances £
Unrestricted funds	304	0	0	304
Restricted funds	7,412	25,280	0	32,692
Total	7,716	25,280	0	32,996

The total foreign currency remitted directly to fund projects was **£84,185** representing **62%** of the total cash income received by 31st March 2017. The balance was spent on charitable activities by the UK office including field/support visits to partners and £20,000 is restricted for projects in the first quarter of

2016/17. In addition, contribution in kind estimated at **£48,728** was spent on charitable activities and to successfully manage organisational activities.

In summary, of the **£160,161** expenditure incurred in the year, **£154,717 (97%)** was on charitable activities.

Risk Review

The directors continue to keep risk register and have identified major risks to the charity. The most severe risk to Asecondchance has continues to depend on directors for management and voluntary services for operations. To mitigate these risks, Asecondchance embarked on an ambitious plan to prepare for institutional grants by collecting data, preparing concept notes and contributing to institutional capacity building of its partners.

With such information together with reviewed policies, Asecondchance will approach institutional funders with proposals that include institutional development and personnel costs. In addition, funding trusts and foundations will be convinced to understand that their long-term strategy on contributing to Asecondchance will be realised when development of Asecondchance as a charity is considered.

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

Charity law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year.

In preparing, those financial statements the directors are required to:

- a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- b) make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- c) state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in financial statements; and
- d) Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the charity will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the *Companies Act 1985 to 2006*. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

Members of the Management Committee

Members of the management committee, who are directors for the purpose of company law and trustees for the purpose of charity law, who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 1.

In accordance with company law, as company's directors, we certify that:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31st March 2017 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting practice applicable to smaller entities;
- the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985 to 2006 and;
- the information given in the Trustees' Annual Report is consistent with the financial statements.

As directors of the company, we have taken all the steps that we ought to have taken to make ourselves aware of any relevant financial information that we need to in the year.

Independent Examiner

As a charity, Asecondchance was registered in January 2009. By 31st March 2016, the charity had a total turnover of **£218,592** for the year. For the current year, the turnover has reduced to **£185,441** resulting from decrease in donations from our development partners and contributions from Trustees.

The charity has therefore involved an Independent Examiner to look at the accounts.

Approved by the Trustees on 28/10 / 2017 and signed as authorised on their behalf by:



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Charles Maloba (Chairperson)

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

ACTIVITIES	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total Funds Mar-17	Total Funds Mar-16
		£	£	£	£
Income					
Incoming resources from generated funds	-	-	-	-	-
Donations in kind receivable	1	0	48,728	48,728	63,960
Other Trading Activities	-	-	-	0	0
Income from Investment	-	-	-	0	0
Resources from charitable activities				0	0
Big Lottery Fund			86,488	86,488	105,493
Other grants	2	-	50,225	50,225	49,139
Total Income		0	185,441	185,441	218,592
Expenses					
Cost of generating funds	3		2,996	2,996	3,511
Voluntary income			0	0	0
Expenditure on Charitable activities	4	-	157,165	157,165	211,634
Total Expenses		0	160,161	160,161	215,145
Net incoming/(outgoing) before other recognised losses		0	25,280	25,280	3,447
Loss on revaluation of investments		0	0	0	0
Net Movement in funds				0	0
Transfers		0	0	0	0
Reconciliation of funds				0	0
Total funds brought forward		304	7,412	7,716	4,269
Total funds carried forward		304	32,692	32,996	7,716

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year.

The attached notes form part of this statement.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 2017

	Year	2017		2016	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	5		1,714		1,085
Investments			0		0
Current Assets					
Debtors	6	225		0	
Cash at Bank and in hand		32,392	0	7,111	0
Creditors					
Amount falling due within one year	7	1,335	0	480	0
Net Current Assets			<u>31,282</u>		<u>6,631</u>
Total Assets			<u>32,996</u>		<u>7,716</u>
Funds					
Unrestricted			<u>304</u>		<u>304</u>
Restricted	8		<u>33,692</u>		<u>7,412</u>
			<u>32,996</u>		<u>7,716</u>

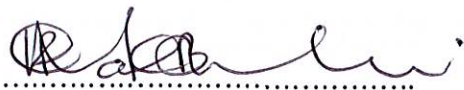
The directors are satisfied that for the year that ended on 31st March 2017 the charitable company was entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 and audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act. However, in acceptance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011, the accounts have been Examined by an Independent Examiner whose Report appears on Page 17.

The director(s) acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provision in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (Effective April 2008).

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for ensuring that the company keeps proper accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and if its profit and loss for the Financial Year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

Approved by Directors on 28/10/2017 and signed as authorised on their behalf by:



Charles Maloba (Chairman)

Company Registration number: 6794506

Notes on the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2017

Incorporated on 19th January 2009

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation:

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis of accounting in accordance with the Charities Act 2011, Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (SORP 2015), applicable accounting standards and the Companies Act 2006. The accounts have been prepared on an ongoing concern basis. The charity meets the definition of public benefit entity under FRS 102. No restatement was required in making the transition to FRS 102. The date of the transition was 1st January 2015.

Advantage has been taken of Section 396(5) of The Companies Act 2006 to allow the format of the financial statement to be adapted to reflect the special nature of the charity's operation and to comply with the requirements of the SORP.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No. 1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement.

The accounting policies adopted are set out below.

Gifts in Kind

Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount realised.

Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity.

Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in SOFA as incoming resources when receivable.

DIRECTORS AND OTHER RELATED PARTIES

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The charity acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. Details of how the charity has achieved this are provided in the Trustees' report. The Trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

1. Donations in Kind:

Donations were received from Trustees in form of offer of expertise services to both Asecondchance and partner organisation in Kenya as shown below:

Category	Description	Amount (£)
Trustees direct support to partners	Trustees voluntary time to assist partner organisations in training, monitoring and evaluation and networking. One trustee paid for air ticket and accommodation during staff training and strategic planning.	5,608
Voluntary service	Voluntary offer of 4 days per week part time offer to Asecondchance estimated at £53,560 pro-rata enabling Asecondchance adhere to statutory requirements, management of partners, funders and reporting and management of operations. Offered voluntary service with only allowance for 10 months and part time salary for (1 hour per week) for two months.	43,120
Total		48,728

2. Other grants:

Source	Amount (£)
Mercury Phoenix	5,000
HDH Wills 1965 Charitable Trust	250
St Mary Charity	500
Eleanor Rathbone	1,000
Marr Munning Trust	10,000
Souter Charitable Trust	2,000
CB & H Taylor Charitable Trust	500
Toy Trust	4,495
Fresh Leaf Charitable Foundation	6,480
Allan & Nesta	20,000
Total	50,225

3. Cost of generating funds.

Cost of generating funds particularly fundraising was met by voluntary donations of time and expertise thus minimal expenditure. However, £2,996 was spent mainly on stationery, communication and postage costs.

4. Charitable activities

Activity	Restricted £	Unrestricted £	Total £
Governance	2,448	0	2,448
Remittances to partners	84,000	0	84,000
Personnel costs	10,491	0	10,491
Travel	3,380	0	3,380
Office utilities	308	0	308
Office Equipment	799	0	799
Office rent	4754	0	4,754
Legal/ statutory fees	2,073	0	2,073
Bank charges	185	0	185
Donations to charitable activities	48,728	0	48,728
Total	157,166	0	157,166

5. No assets were purchased. We maintained a depreciation rate of 25% on the previous year's office equipment.
6. Over payment on HMRC (NI deposited in advance to avoid default)
7. Amount was falling for Independent Examination and salary (£480 for Independent Examination and £855 for March salary)
8. Unrestricted balance. Amount held as unrestricted, £304 is held as free funds for Asecondchance.
9. **Net incoming resources for the year: £25,280**

This was stated after actual expenses were considered.

10. Schedule of fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
		£	£	£
Equipment				
Cost	01-Apr-16	0	1,085	1,085
Additions		0	800	800
Cost at	31-Mar-17	0	1,885	1,885
Depreciation Charge	Charge 01-Apr-16	0	171	171
Depreciation at	31-Mar-17	0	171	171
Net Book Value	31-Mar-17	0	1,714	1,714
Net Book Value	31-Mar-16	0	1,085	1,085

Supported by:



Guernsey Overseas Aid Commission (GOAC)

Strathspey Charitable Trust

Marr Munning Trust

Souter Charitable Trust

CB & H Taylor Charitable Trust

Gilchrist Education Trust

Fresh Leaf Charitable Foundation

St Mary's Charity

Phoenix Mercury Trust

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Report to the trustees/members of ASecondChance on the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2017 set out on pages 2 to 16.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As described on page 9 and 12, the Charity's trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The trustees are satisfied that the audit requirement of Section 144(1) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply, and that there is no requirement in the governing document or constitution of the Charity for the conducting of an audit. As a consequence, the trustees have elected that the financial statements be subject to independent examination

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit, and is eligible for independent examination, 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 statement

I conducted my examination in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners for England & Wales in relation to the conducting of an independent examination, referred to above. An independent examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and of the accounting systems employed by the Charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning such matters. The purpose of the examination is to establish as far as possible that there have been no breaches of the Charities legislation and that the financial statements comply with the SORP, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements

The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and information supplied by the trustees in the course of the examination is not subjected to audit tests or enquiries, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements, and in particular, I express no opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view of the affairs of the charity, and my report is limited to the matters set out in the statement below.

I planned and performed my examination so as to satisfy myself that the objectives of the independent examination are achieved and before finalising the report I obtain written assurances from the trustees of all material matters.

Independent examiner's statement

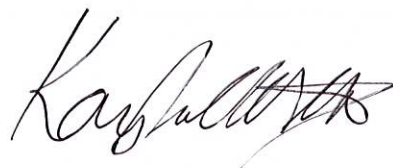
In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention that

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the trustees requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities have 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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Date: 8th November 2017.