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2012/13

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poverty free.

Foreword

I read an article recently about the implications scientific inventions would have on our lives in the next 20 years. I read it from my desk in London with a mixture of both wonder and bemusement, feeling that I must have been transported forward into some other century. Such is the speed of change in our lives.

Usually, I see change clearest when I visit our projects overseas. These are not hi-tech changes to do with scientific developments but the more tangible benefits of increased education opportunities, healthier families, increased agricultural production and fewer people living in extreme poverty.

However, in many places where we work there are still big challenges because of armed conflict, natural disaster or just the lack of opportunity which leave communities in severe need. Despite these obstacles, as an organisation we still want to aim high in all the places where we work.

The people who benefit from our projects are the ones who have taught me to hope for change. I am reminded of the conversations I have had with Lionel who aged 11 started primary school after living on the streets of Burundi for 3 years, or

Agnes who struggled to be trained as a teacher so that she can bring hope to girls wanting education in remote villages of South Sudan, or Ingarve who cares for orphans in her home in DR Congo. I wish I could better introduce these inspiring people to you; to our donors, supporters, volunteers and fundraisers. These beneficiaries are the advocates of positive change, and they are the ones who show the ability to overcome, despite the odds.

There are tremendous improvements happening around the world and I am always encouraged to hear about this positive change, such as the United Nations which announced that globally there are 12,000 fewer children dying today, than 20 years ago. That is 4.4 million fewer children dying under 5 years old every year – astounding, and those are not just statistics; they involve young families' lives around the world, and so are indicators of hope.



When I doubt and wonder whether the communities we help can really emerge free from poverty I am challenged by the words of the Italian artist, Michelangelo, from 500 years ago,

“The greatest danger for most of us is not that our aim is too high and we miss it, but that our aim is too low and we reach it.”

I hope that you enjoy reading and are inspired by our annual report. Together, with the wonderful people and projects that are featured, we can continue to be part of a change for good.

Jeremy Horner
Director

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About Us

Our Values

- emerge poverty free is **Compassionate**
- emerge poverty free is **Determined**
- emerge poverty free is **Effective**
- emerge poverty free is **Honest**
- emerge poverty free is **Approachable**

Our Beliefs

emerge poverty free is a highly effective international development agency that gives people in the developing world the tools, knowledge and support they need to fight poverty. We believe that poverty can be beaten in our lifetimes, if we work hard, work together and work effectively. We believe that nobody should have to live in poverty for a lifetime, and that everyone should reach their potential poverty free.

emerge poverty free works for the relief of people, who by reason of their social or economic conditions are in need of assistance to overcome poverty.

Our Objectives

emerge poverty free is a charity with a focus community development approach to enable communities to 'emerge poverty free'.

emerge poverty free funds development programmes to make a greater and measurable impact.

emerge poverty free will stabilise its income to support our work. This will be achieved through a cost effective, measurable and sustainable fundraising programme.

emerge poverty free will strengthen its governance and internal review process to ensure efficient oversight of the charity that continues to withstand public scrutiny.

emerge poverty free will establish a clear market position and raise awareness of emerge poverty free emphasising the uniqueness of the charity's offering in poverty eradication.



"Our vision is a world free from absolute poverty"

Our Team

It only takes a small start to change a lot. Even with just seven hardworking staff – plus the help of many volunteers – we have touched the lives of over 136,000 people in the past year.

Staff

Jeremy Horner
Director

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Individual Giving Manager

Francesca D Purcell
Fundraising & Communications Manager

Louise Olofsson
Trust, Foundation & Events Fundraiser

Roni Hylton
Fundraising & Events Assistant

John Decruz-Young
Finance Manager

Vera Spicer
Business & Financial Coordinator

Trustees

The emerge poverty free Board of Trustees is responsible for the direction, development and overall governance of the organisation.

Margaret Edwards
Chair of Trustees

Dr Harry Covert
Vice Chair of Trustees

Candy Bowles

Stephen Phillips

Nicholas Milton

Volunteers

One of the best ways that you can support emerge poverty free is to help directly and volunteer. Your time is one of the most valuable gifts you can give.

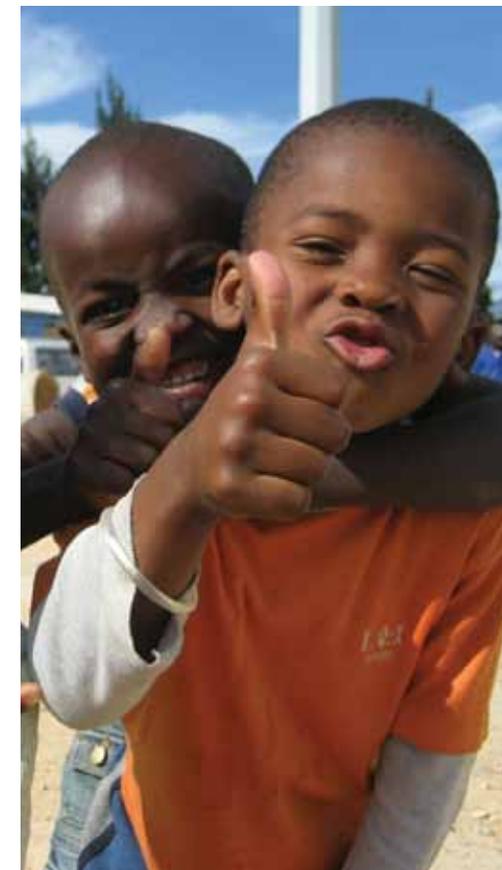
Volunteers provide essential support to emerge poverty free, be that helping out in our office, running fundraising events or speaking at your local school. We welcome you to join us in whatever way you can. For more information on how to get involved, contact us at info@emergepovertyfree.org

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Our Approach



"The most effective way to become poverty free is to have knowledge and skills"

emerge poverty free empowers people to fight poverty themselves.

This is achieved through:

- **Education:** The most effective way to become poverty free is to have knowledge and skills. emerge poverty free supports primary education, secondary education, and vocational training.
- **Cooperation:** From sewing cooperatives for war widows in DR Congo to water and sanitation committees in remote Ugandan villages, the long term impact of a project is greater where people work together. emerge poverty free establishes cooperatives and initiatives that encourage local solutions.
- **Sustainability:** emerge poverty free works with locally led organisations and community groups so that they can fight poverty long after our support has moved on.

- **Volunteers:** The fight against poverty is not remote, it is right here and all of us can take sides. emerge poverty free helps volunteers to become advocates for change; to campaign, to fundraise, to be champions.
- **Relief:** Because of poverty many people are vulnerable to disaster in the countries and places emerge poverty free works. emerge poverty free provides relief from the hardship caused by poverty, natural disasters and conflicts.

emerge poverty free provides aid in two specific ways:

- **Gifts-In-Kind** (donated commodities) in support of overseas projects and emergencies.
- **Overseas Projects** Working directly with community based organisations, who lead in the design of our projects.

Our Work

During 2012/13, emerge poverty free provided support to projects in 10 countries in Africa, Asia, Central America and the Caribbean. Countries where we have projects include:

- Burma
- Burundi
- Dominican Republic
- DR Congo
- Guatemala
- Haiti
- Kenya
- South Africa
- South Sudan
- Uganda

During the year, emerge poverty free shipped 4 containers of humanitarian supplies and donated commodities to various local partners.

The overseas projects and gifts-in-kind programme provided a positive outcome to over 136,000 people.

	Africa	Caribbean Basin	Central America	Asia	Total
Countries	6	2	1	1	10
Partners	11	2	2	1	16
Projects	31	5	4	1	41
Containers	2	2	0	0	4
Beneficiaries	94,302	39,346	1,356	1,021	136,025

Project Timeline



Beginning (above timeline) and completion (below timeline) of emerge poverty frees' projects over the last 10 years.

Agriculture Development ::

emerge poverty free has identified four main themes in which our international development work sits within. The first of these is agricultural development.

Severe hunger and poverty affects nearly 1 billion people worldwide. A large majority of this group is made up of farmers whose food and income comes solely from their one to two acres of land which they farm on. emerge poverty free has partnered with organisations in Burundi, Kenya, South Sudan, and Uganda to help the local farming families preserve their land and produce more food whilst also increasing their income.



Project Solar Grow Kenya

emerge poverty free funds The International Pentecostal Holiness Church (IPHC) Huruma Children's Home situated near the town of Eldoret, an area deeply affected by HIV/AIDS and massive unemployment. Our aim is to help the Children's Home on the road to sustainability. In order to achieve this, we have recently shipped the Solar Grow 1 container to IPHC for agricultural extension.

The SG1 (SolarGrow) is a complete mobile germination and seedling plant factory specifically designed to aid the fight against world hunger. Arriving on site as a 40ft shipping container, the unit unpacks within two hours and starts producing large quantities of seedlings that can be distributed to local farmers. SG1 is designed to fight conditions like drought, desertification, and poor soil. It also shortens the growing times and hugely increases yield per acre.



Empowering Women

emerge poverty free believes that working towards gender equality and women's empowerment in developing countries is a key pathway to achieving sustainable development.

emerge poverty free has partnered with organisations in Uganda, DR Congo, and Burundi to start projects which empower women to work and develop skills that will help them find their way out of poverty.

Through our work, we know that women will have a real voice within their communities. Whose opinions and decisions will be taken into account when it comes to the future of their families and their communities.

Some of the women have already established their own businesses on the local market

Project Kinama Women's Training Burundi

emerge poverty free works with local partner Restoration of Hope (RoH) in Burundi to provide sewing and business training to 40 women who, upon graduation, will receive a sewing machine which will enable them to earn a living.

During their time at the Training Centre, the women can build up a client base and learn business skills. By providing a means for single mothers to take care of their family, the programme helps to prevent children from ending up on the streets.

The first group of 20 trainees graduated from practical training part of the programme in June 2012. The women are aged between 16-20 years and the majority have up to 15 siblings to support, while others have children of their own. Some of the women have already established their own businesses on the local market and some are working from home. The biggest impact the project is having on the trainees is in the respect they are shown by their families and the confidence that having an employable skill gives them.



Vulnerable Children

HIV/AIDS has been the cause of death for the parents of nearly 11.4 million children in sub-Saharan Africa.

Many of these orphans are left to live with extended families or in foster care and evidence shows that they are frequently subject to discrimination and are less likely to receive health, education and other services.

The situation is worse for orphans who have to live in child-headed households or on the streets.

Risk for exploitation and abuse, and therefore exposure to HIV is high due to the vulnerability of these children. emerge poverty free has partnered with organisations in many countries in sub-Saharan Africa including DR Congo, Uganda, South Sudan, South Africa, Kenya, and Burundi to implement programmes which will maximise positive outcomes for the lives of these vulnerable children.

Project Education in Lira Uganda

To build the skills of the community's young adults, emerge poverty free supports war orphans boarding at the Almond College, a secondary school in the town of Lira. We also co-support a vocational training college in Lira to provide quality skills training in trades such as bricklaying, engine mechanics, tailoring and secretarial work.

In past years, we have supported many orphans and provided grants for the improvement of dormitories and classrooms in the school, in addition to supplying school materials such as desks and textbooks. This provides a life-changing opportunity to learn and grow in a safe and encouraging environment for the children who have suffered terrible trauma and loss. We continue to provide equipment for teaching metal and woodwork, plumbing and electronics along with general teaching aids. Donated items enrich students' learning, while classes at the vocational training college give young people in northern Uganda a chance to learn new skills. We believe that training local people to fill needs in the workforce will help boost the local economy.



About 11.4 million children in sub-Saharan Africa have lost one or both parents due to HIV/AIDS

Water And Sanitation ❖

All life on Earth is dependent on water, yet nearly 800 million people lack access to clean water and about 2.5 billion people lack access to sanitation facilities.

This global issue increases the risk of diseases and leads 2 million children to die every year from preventable diarrheal disease.

Reliable access to safe water is becoming a growing challenge due to climate change which is putting water resources under enormous pressure and fuelling much competition for resources.

Project Awei Uganda

In Awei, Uganda we are assisting in a range of ways to foster social transformation. Communities in this sub-District suffered greatly during the recent conflict and over 80% of households were displaced. Basic infrastructure such as schools, wells and toilets were destroyed and small businesses and trading ceased.

emerge poverty free is helping returning communities to re-establish themselves by assisting with agriculture and

While issues of water and sanitation are often looked at in isolation, they are directly tied to issues of food security, global health, and climate change. That is why emerge poverty free has implemented a sanitation programme in Uganda to help solve this global issue.

improved livelihoods for vulnerable groups and improved access to water and sanitation in the community and at primary schools.

To address the lack of water and adequate sanitation in primary schools emerge poverty free has recently built 5 new toilets for the pupils at Ongora Hill primary school and are looking to source funding for a water borehole in the same area. This is a rolling programme with further schools already identified.



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Gitega, Burundi

A Focus Community

We believe that in many places, more than one type of assistance is needed to help a community change in a way that is sustainable. By listening to local people, involving them early on in the decision making, we focus our resources and knowledge on a number of projects. In partnership with the local community we create positive change, that will last for many years after our support has moved on.

As part of its strategic goals, emerge poverty free is committed to developing work in 5 focus communities by 2017.

Gitega, Burundi is one such community. In 2011, emerge poverty free launched **Project Gitega Street Children** in which we are working together with our partner African Revival Ministries (ARM) to provide a safe home, food and education for the street children of Gitega through our 4



sub-projects. emerge poverty free currently sponsors the shelter, medical care, psycho-social work and school fees for 40 children. We were also able to construct the first purpose made house that is a home for 20 boys while the girls will be accommodated in a secure, rented property until funds are raised to do the same.

Project Health Centre

On the outskirts of Gitega, the health centre includes an HIV/AIDS clinic, a nutrition centre and a maternity ward. It assists hundreds of HIV/AIDS patients offering testing, distribution of medicines, home visits and counselling. emerge poverty free recently shipped a four wheel drive ambulance and pharmaceuticals which now enable the centre to offer high quality services to all in the community.

Project Mechanics Workshop

emerge poverty free works to help former street children reintegrate into society. In early 2012 emerge poverty free helped 8 young men form a legal cooperative and start a small business. With a few tools, their training, some supplies and a small shop they were delighted to serve their first customers – changing oil and brake discs, and serving cars.

Project Pig Breeding

emerge poverty free also funds the pig breeding programme helping vulnerable families to generate an income and improve livelihoods. The programme is helping 20 women who each receive training, veterinary support and a pregnant pig. With care and hard work, they have piglets to sell in the market and as a result, a regular income.

Project Restaurant Cooperative

The community has identified that forming a cooperative and running a small restaurant is the type of income generating activity, they believe would be beneficial. emerge poverty free funded the set up costs of one such restaurant and it is now up and running and the families involved are already earning an income which will send their children to school, buy medicines and feed the households.

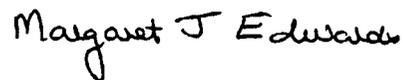


Consolidated Statement

The summary financial information shows the income raised for our activities, the cost of generating income, governing the charity, and the amounts spent on our charitable activities for the year ended 31st March 2013 – together with the previous year comparative figures.

The information is taken from the full Annual Financial Statements and Trustees Report which were approved by the trustees on 12th July 2013. These have also been externally examined by the charity's auditors, Sayer Vincent, who gave an unqualified audit report. The full audited Annual Financial Statements & Trustees Report, which include the auditors' report, can be obtained from the charity or downloaded from the charity website www.emergepovertyfree.org/annual-reviews

Signed on behalf of the trustees



Ms Margaret Edwards
Chair

12th July 2013

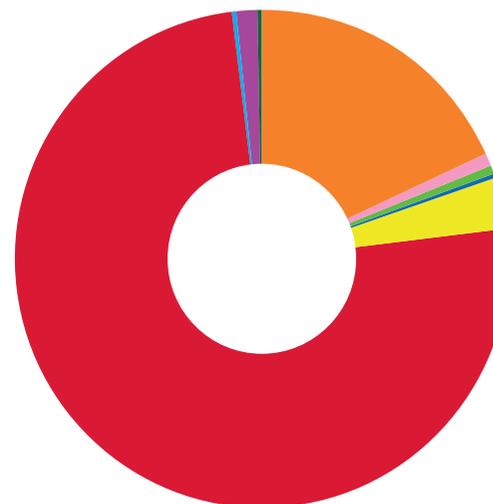


Financial Summary

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2013 Total £	2012 Total £
Incoming resources				
<i>Incoming resources from generated funds</i>				
Voluntary income				
- public donations and gifts	933,761	41,274	975,035	1,105,970
- corporate donations*	37,452	735	38,187	1,530
- foundations & trusts	10,728	14,700	25,428	51,930
- events	16,063	-	16,063	30,697
- legacies	177,006	-	177,006	329,000
- gifts in kind	244,603	3,759,683	4,004,286	5,902,625
- grants from other charities	-	18,170	18,170	36,371
Trading income	69,432	-	69,432	81,756
Investment income	487	-	487	441
<i>Other incoming resources</i>	8,112	-	8,112	16,843
Total incoming resources	1,497,644	3,834,562	5,332,206	7,557,163
Resources expended				
<i>Costs of generating funds</i>				
Costs of generating voluntary income	808,191	-	808,118	915,583
Costs of trading	24,447	-	24,447	29,984
<i>Charitable activities</i>				
Cash grants	467,912	94,895	562,807	643,600
Gifts in kind	333,321	3,759,683	4,093,004	6,003,258
<i>Governance costs</i>				
	116,780	-	116,780	99,040
Total resources expended	1,750,578	3,854,578	5,605,156	7,691,465
Net (outgoing)/incoming resources	(252,934)	(20,016)	(272,950)	(134,302)
Total funds brought forward at 1 April 2012	420,868	29,724	450,592	584,894
Total funds carried forward at 31 March 2013	167,934	9,708	177,642	450,592

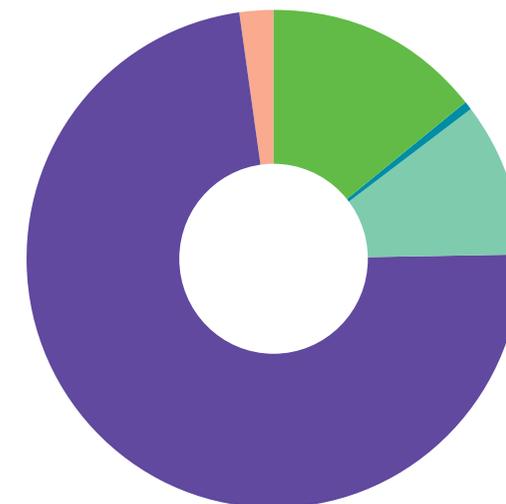
* Our partner, Boundless Horizons Ltd, donated a revolutionary piece of agricultural equipment called Solar Grow One, which we shipped to Kenya. This was valued at £35,000 and is included in the gifts in kind figure of £3,888,899 but shown in the SOFA under Corporate donations.

Income and expenditures 2012/2013 Income



- Public Donations and Gifts: **£975,035**
- Corporate donations*: **£38,187**
- Foundations & Trusts: **£25,428**
- Events: **£16,063**
- Legacies: **£177,006**
- Gifts in Kind: **£4,004,286**
- Grants from Other Related Charities: **£18,170**
- Trading Income: **£69,432**
- Investment Income: **£487**
- Other incoming resources: **£8,112**

2012/2013 Expenditure



- Costs of Generating Voluntary Income: **£808,118**
- Costs of Trading: **£24,447**
- Charitable Activities Cash Grants: **£562,807**
- Charitable Activities GIK: **£4,093,004**
- Governance Costs: **£116,780**

At emerge poverty free, our charitable activities are split into two types: Overseas Projects and Gifts-in-Kind.

Overseas Projects beneficiaries are people who benefit from projects funded by emerge poverty free. This year, beneficiaries included teachers in South Sudan who received training to develop new skills, students at Ongora Hill primary school in Uganda who received 5 new toilets, and orphans in Bunia who can now take part in a carpentry workshop.

Our **Gifts-in-Kind (GIK)** programme allows us to help people in ways that funding alone cannot. When emerge poverty free first began, we were a disaster relief organisation who donated commodities to help suffering countries recover after their emergency situations. As we have grown, we have learned that our ability to provide GIK can also be used to help these communities sustain a life free from poverty. With the shipments of humanitarian supplies and donated goods from corporate or charity sponsors, communities receive valuable resources that were previously unavailable.

Highlights from 2012/13 GIK

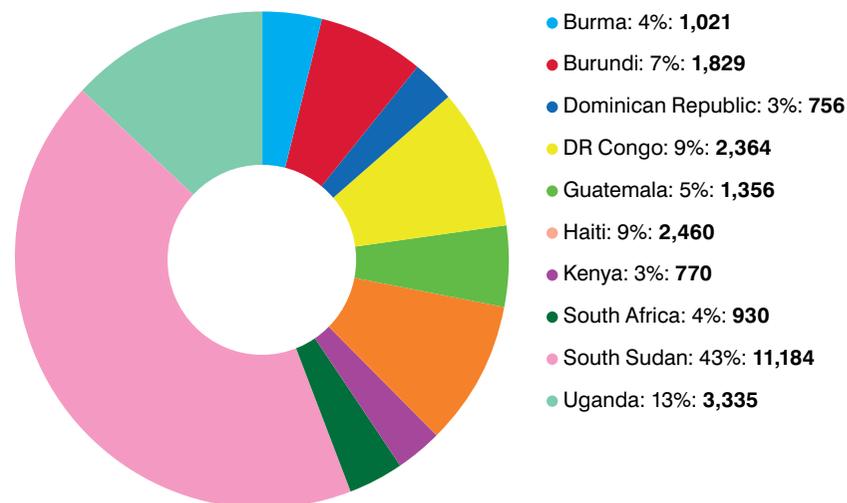
In July of 2012, emerge poverty free shipped the Solar Grow 1 (SG1) container to **Kenya** for agricultural extension. The SG1 seedling production system included polytunnels, irrigation systems, a weather station, and many more components to benefit orphans and families from its productions.

14 sewing machines, 6 medicine boxes, and a fully equipped gym to be used as an income generator for schools in the future, were shipped to **Haiti** in August 2012. The sewing machines were to benefit a women's cooperative project training 56 women in 1 year and the medicine boxes were designed to provide sufficient aid for 1,000 clients.

Hospital and healthcare equipment were also shipped to **Haiti** in May 2012. This included equipment and furniture for patients rooms, examination rooms, maternity suites, physical therapy rooms, medical supply suites, anaesthesia, radiology suites, and critical special care suites.

Emergency pharmaceuticals were distributed to refugee camps in **Somaliland**, ensuring refugees, asylum seekers and internally displaced people have access to basic health care.

Overseas Projects Beneficiaries by Country



Beneficiaries by Country

	Kenya	Somaliland	Haiti	Total
Number of containers	1	1	2	4
Financial value of GIK	35,000	3,759,683	244,603	4,039,287
Number of Beneficiaries	2,460	71,430	36,130	110,020

Thank you

We would like to thank our supporters, past and present, for their commitment to our work. We would like to give special thanks to the following individuals and organisations who have given significant support to **emerge poverty free**.

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