BLACK ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN STEP OUT LTD FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31 MARCH 1999

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Charity Number 1038313

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1999

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OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS

The Members of the Committee

June Taitt

Judith Maude Jones Renuka Chadha Pauline Marcia Walker Kamla Budawani Gaynor Legall Imtiaz Sadig

Rakshanda Jabeen Shahzad

Sylvia Howe (Resigned - 19 February 1999)

Irene Andrew

Tejay De Kretser (Resigned - 19 February 1999)

Chitra Pant

Company Secretary

Pauline Walker

Principal Address

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Bankers and Other Financial

Advisors

The Cooperative Bank

37 Park Place Cathays Park

Cardiff

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1999

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 1999.

LEGAL STATUS

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and registered under the Companies Acts. Each member of the Management Committee has agreed to guarantee the company's debts for the amount of £1 each.

OBJECTIVES OF BAWSO

- 1. To provide shelter in suitable locations which will be accessible to all Black women seeking refuge.
- 2. To contact funding bodies in order to obtain capital and revenue monies to develop the project.
- 3. To provide multi-lingual information regarding the services provided by the project.
- 4. To provide advice and counselling for Black women in distress who come into contact with the project.
- 5. To set up an advice and information centre which will be accessible to all Black women.

AIMS OF BAWSO

- 1. To provide a place of safety and shelter for women from minority ethnic backgrounds in the South Glamorgan area who are victims or at risk of domestic violence.
- 2. To provide practical help and support according to their individual needs.
- 3. To create an environment where women feel empathy, can communicate and develop their self-esteem.
- 4. To inform and educate the community, the voluntary and statutory sector in South Glamorgan, of the rights and needs of the women and children from minority ethnic backgrounds.
- 5. To actively promote the right of every Black woman to freely participate in the project regardless of their age, race, religion, beliefs, sexual orientation, disability or sensory impairment, social or economic condition.

THE TRUSTEES

The Trustees who served the charity during the period were as follows:

June Taitt
Judith Maude Jones

Renuka Chadha

Pauline Marcia Walker

Kamla Budawani

Gaynor Legall

Imtiaz Sadiq

Rakshanda Jabeen Shahzad

Irene Andrew

Chitra Pant

(Appointed 9 Oct 98)

Sylvia Howe

(Retired 19 Feb 99)

Tejay de Kretser

(Retired 19 Feb 99)

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1999

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the year and of the surplus or deficiency for the year then ended.

In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to select suitable accounting policies, as described on page 8, and then apply them on a consistent basis, making judgements and estimates that are prudent and reasonable. The members of the committee must also prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

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

AUDITORS

A resolution to re-appoint Keane & Co as auditors for the ensuing year will be proposed at the annual general meeting in accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985

SMALL COMPANY PROVISIONS

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part VII of the Companies Act 1985.

Registered office:

109 St Mary Street Cardiff CF10 1DX Signed by order of the members of the committee

Pauline Walker Company secretary

Approved by the members of the committee on 22.9.19.95

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1999

BAWSO has pursued over the past year a policy of consolidation in all areas of service delivery and funding. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff and volunteers for all their hard work, in enabling us to achieve our business plan targets, despite staff changes, and a very busy year in relation to service delivery.

June Taitt Chair

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1999

We have audited the financial statements on pages 6 to 12 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 8.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE AND THE AUDITORS

As described on pages 2 to 3, the members of the committee (who also act as Trustees for the charitable activities of the company) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

BASIS OF OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

OPINION

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the charitable company's state of affairs as at 31 March 1999 and of its incoming resources and application of resources in the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1999

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 1999	Total Funds 1998
	Note	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCE	ES				
Donations		27,738	-	27,738	11,953
Grants receivable	2	149,070	18,229	167,299	162,635
Rental income		43,207	-	43,207	46,924
Interest receivable		1,199	-	1,199	721
Membership fees		278	-	278	2
Other income			-	-	211
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		221,492	18,229	239,721	222,446
					
RESOURCES EXPENDI	ED				
Direct charitable expenditure	3	154,729	22,940	177,669	151,196
Management and administration	4	58,026	1,500	59,526	54,218
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	5	212,755	24,440	237,195	205,414
					
NET INCOMING/OUTORESOURCES FOR THE		8,737	(6,211)	2,526	17,032
Balances brought forward		28,056	7,676	35,732	18,699
Balances carried forward		36,793	1,465	38,258	35,731

The charitable company has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.

All of the activities of the charitable company are classed as continuing.

BALANCE SHEET

31 MARCH 1999

	Note	1999		1998
		£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS				
Tangible assets	6		4,300	8,596
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors	7	9,373		12,079
Cash at bank and in hand	•	26,920		28,455
Cash at valle and in hand				
		36,293		40,534
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due				
within one year	8	(2,335)		(13,398)
NET CURRENT ASSETS			33,958	27,136
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABIL	ITIES		38,258	35,732
				
FUNDS				
Unrestricted			36,793	28,056
Restricted	9		1,465	7,676
			38,258	35,732

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part VII of the Companies Act 1985.

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee on the 22 nd Sept. 1993 and are signed on their behalf by:

.. TRUSTEE

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R CHADHA NAME

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1999

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Cash flow statement

The members of the committee have taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 from including a cash flow statement in the financial statements on the grounds that the charitable company is small.

Donations

Donations and legacies are accounted for in the year of receipt, unless notification is received before the year end, and the income is received shortly after.

Grants

Grants are credited to the financial statements in the year in which they are receivable.

Where grants are received in respect of capital purchases, the grant is credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which the expenditure is incurred. The expenditure is also recognised in full in the same year.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Office equipment - 25% straight line Fixtures & fittings - 25% straight line

2. GRANTS RECEIVABLE

	1999	1998
	£	£
SHRG	73,890	66,546
SDS	32,260	31,500
Barring Foundation	-	2,000
Other grants	38,420	24,926
Capital grants	4,500	~
Children in Need	18,229	14,656
WCVA grant	-	23,007
	167,299	162,635

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1999

3. DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 1999	Total Funds 1998
	£	£	£	£
Provision of charitable se	rvices:			
Provision of refuge care	147,539	19,817	167,356	146,233
Support costs:				
Volunteer expenses	601	2,138	2,739	3,298
Emergency food	199	-	199	212
Children's expenses	1,141	985	2,126	1,208
Professional fees	767	-	767	245
Grant-funded capital expenditure	4,482	-	4,482	-
				
	154,729	22,940	177,669	151,196

Analysis of provision of charitable services:

	Staff costs	Grants paid	Depreciation & other costs	Total 1999	Total 1998
	£	£	£	£	£
Provision of refuge care	137,064	4,203	26,089	167,356	146,233

4. MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 1999	Total Funds 1998
	£	£	£	£
Salaries	40,337	-	40,337	33,205
Office costs	12,761	1,500	14,261	17,895
Audit fees	1,001	-	1,001	1,108
Legal and professional	119	-	119	
Costs of trustees' meetings	308		308	848
Other	3,500	-	3,500	1,162
	58,026	1,500	59,526	54,218

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YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1999

5. TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Staff costs	Depreciation	Grants paid and other costs	Total Funds 1999	Total Funds 1998
	£	£	£	£	£
Direct charitable expenditure	137,064	3,954	36,651	177,669	151,196
Management and administration	40,337	1,839	17,350	59,526	54,218
	177,401	5,793	54,001	237,195	205,414
The aggregate payro	ll costs were:				
				1999 £	1998 £
Wages and salaries Social security costs				177,401	150,317
20141 00041119 00010				177,401	150,317

Particulars of employees:

The average number of staff employed by the charity during the financial year amounted to:

	1999	1998
	No.	No.
Refuge staff	8	7
Administrative staff	2	2
	10	9
	1999	1998
	£	£
Other costs:		
Premises	26,948	27,869
Legal and professional	1,120	1,108
Other	25,933	20,416
	54,001	49,393

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1999

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

		Office equipment £	Refuge furniture £	Total £
	COST	*	2	£.
	At 1 April 1998	6,503	12,245	18,748
	Additions	403	1,094	1,497
	At 31 March 1999	6,906	13,339	20,245
	DEPRECIATION			
	At 1 April 1998	3,129	7,023	10,152
	Charge for the year	1,839	3,954	5,793
	At 31 March 1999	4,968	10,977	15,945
	NET BOOK VALUE			
	At 31 March 1999	1,938	2,362	4,300
	At 31 March 1998	3,374	5,222	8,596
7.	DEBTORS			
			1999 £	1998 £
	Prepayments		9,373	12,079
8.	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one y	ear		
			1999	1998
			£	£
	Bank loans and overdrafts		-	7,449
	Grants in advance		-	4,500
	Accruals		2,335	1,449
			2,335	13,398

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1999

9. RESTRICTED FUNDS

		Movement in resources:		
	Balance at 1 April 1998	Incoming	Outgoing	Balance at 31 March 1999
	£	£	£	£
WCVA	7,676	-	(7,676)	-
Children in need	•	18,229	(16,764)	1,465
	7,676	18,229	(24,440)	1,465

10. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN RESTRICTED AND UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	Tangible fixed assets	Other net assets	Total
	£	£	£
Children in need	-	1,465	1,465
		1.465	1.465
	-	1,465	1,465
Unrestricted funds	4,300	32,493	36,793
	4,300	33,958	38,258
			

11. COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

Each member of the Management Committee has undertaken to guarantee the Association's debts to the sum of £1 each.