



Annual Review 2017-2018

**Giving disabled children
a brighter future**

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A message from our Chairman

I have been the Chair of KIDS for nearly two years now.

In this time I have seen both the rise in demand for our help and the corresponding growth in what we as a charity have needed to deliver.

As I am sure that you, as a supporter, will know that cuts in funding have continued to bite this year and all areas of social care have been impacted, sadly children's services have not been immune from this reduction in available funding.

Our families are telling us that times are hard, there is less money, less support and less respite from their caring responsibilities. More disabled people than non-disabled are living in poverty or are materially deprived. Social security reforms have had a particularly disproportionate, cumulative impact on rights to independent living and an adequate standard of living for disabled people.

This is why the services that the highly skilled team at KIDS delivers are so important. We continue to be there, we are expanding the help we can give, and adapting how we offer support to match what is needed by our families in these challenging and changing times.

I hope that this report will give you a flavour of what we have achieved this year, and what this means to the many thousands of disabled children and their families that we are supporting right across England.

Finally, I would like to thank the staff and volunteers at KIDS. Without you we could not offer such a high quality and impactful service to children who often have nowhere else to turn.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stephen Unwin'. The signature is fluid and cursive, written on a white background.

Stephen Unwin
Chair

A message from our Chief Executive

I'd like to start my foreword this year with a message I received from a parent whose child we are supporting.

"They work tirelessly to encourage children to be the best that they can be! They enabled my son to begin his journey to communicate where others have failed. They unlocked his voice."

These words sum up for me what KIDS is about. We want every disabled child to be the very best that they can be. All children, with any disability, at all stages of their lives, from young babies through to young disabled people who help us to shape their own support services.

We know that the financial climate is tough, and that we have to work hard and creatively. In this report you will see some examples of how we have responded to rising demand for our services this year.

Just one example is the KIDS Smile Centre in Hampshire. We began working with the charity Support Education and Respite Care for Children (Smile) back in October 2017. It was evident that we had

similar values, provided similar services and wanted to come together to provide a more cost effective and vibrant service which is now open to disabled young people in the south of England. This new way of working and collaboration with like-minded partners will be key to our sector being able to meet the increasing needs of disabled children and young people across the country.

Having started with a message from a parent, I'd like to leave you with another one, which echoes the hope I have for a positive future for all disabled children and young people.

"I feel that the support and understanding that KIDS provided myself and my son was amazing. As a parent this gave me hope for the future at a very difficult time."

Caroline

Caroline Stevens
Chief Executive



KIDS' year in numbers

KIDS supported

15,000

children with disabilities last year

KIDS provided over

85,000 hours

of Short Breaks

Our families have told us:

91%

are happy with the services they receive

Over

2,500

families received advice and support through our Mediation service

2,388

families were supported through our Independent Support service

92%

tell us that we are both knowledgeable and professional

94%

find us to be both friendly and caring

KIDS provided direct support to over

1,600 young people

aged 16 - 25

87%

find it easy to talk to one of our staff when they need us

"I love KIDS' whole concept, I have used a number of their resources and feel like I'm able to feedback on a number of things.

KIDS home learning service is excellent, they know my daughter as an individual and have been able to cater for her needs, strengths and loves.

At playgroups they take care of my whole family, always exploring new ways to interact with all the children and provide the latest information to parents.

Behind closed doors they have provided vital contacts for my daughter to be able to secure an Education and Health Care Plan - they have helped me to complete all types of forms."

92%

of our families trust us to act in their child's best interest

93%

would recommend KIDS to their friends and families

Introducing this year's themes

KIDS is a dynamic charity that provides direct care and support to over 15,000 disabled children and their families across England each year. We support children with all disabilities and conditions up to the age of 25, providing vital continuity of support as they become young adults.

We want disabled children and their families to thrive, not just survive.

This has been a hard year for our families. To address this, we have expanded the number of children and families that we are supporting whilst maintaining outstanding satisfaction rates for those who use our services.

We continue to lead the field in our work to help children and young people with disabilities access the educational support that they need. The transition to the new Education and Health Care Plans (replacing the old “Statements”) has meant additional work, support and advice has been needed to ensure that every disabled child is accessing the very best combination of support.

We are proud that our excellence in education has been recognised.

Our training standards for mediators supporting children with special educational needs are now the blueprint for national training and standards launched by the Department for Education in June 2018.

In a tough economic climate for our families and our sector, we are also looking for opportunities where we can work with similar-minded organisations to increase our impact and we continue to share our expertise with both the Government and the wider disability sector. One such example is the KIDS Smile Centre in Hampshire, which is now a centre of excellence for disabled children locally, you can read about our success later in this report.

Finally our staff continue to be our most important asset. They have unrivalled knowledge and experience in helping disabled children and young people to overcome challenges and live happier lives.

Our support continues to be offered to the whole family and as you will read, our goal remains to enable disabled children to achieve their potential and ensure that families are fully supported.

“The material deprivation rate for families with children in income poverty and that contained a disabled member, was 59% compared with 36% where no one in the family was disabled.”

Charlie and his family

“Charlie, like many children with additional needs, suffers from extreme anxiety and this impacts hugely on all aspects of his life, making eating and sleeping difficult and exacerbating his existing conditions (ADHD, OCD and Tourettes). All medical professionals agree that the most effective way of positively impacting on these issues is through physical activity. This sounds like a simple solution, but finding sports clubs for a teenager with autism who struggles socially and needs far more supervision and support than a regular teenager is incredibly difficult. The second issue, once an activity had been found, is then encouraging a child with anxiety to attend and get involved. Before KIDS, Charlie didn't have anywhere he could go and take part in these kinds of activities. As a result he was lonely, regularly displayed frustration and challenging behaviour, and was often on edge and anxious. Life was extremely difficult, both for Charlie and for our family.

Then we found KIDS and everything changed. Charlie started attending the after school club and activity days and was finally able to use up some of his energy and have fun with other young people. The staff at KIDS took the time to get to know Charlie – they are experienced at working with children with complex needs and it shows. They have built a relationship with Charlie, which has kept his anxiety levels in check and ensured any potential challenges can be quickly identified and managed effectively.

They have supported him to regularly take part in activities like archery, football and abseiling, which he has absolutely loved. By having a one-to-one keyworker, Charlie has been supported by KIDS to engage in so many activities of his choosing, encouraging him to try new things and keeping him safe while he does so. These are things he has never had the chance to do before.

Since coming to KIDS, the difference it has made to Charlie has been phenomenal. He is calmer, happier and more sociable. He has a much better sleep routine due to using up some of his excess energy and he is generally less on edge, which in turn has helped to improve his behaviour both at home and at school. He has fewer melt downs and more happy moments. He has made friends who don't judge him for being different. It has had a positive impact on all areas of his life.

The impact on our family life has been significant too. Caring for a disabled child can be relentless, unpredictable, challenging and for long periods of time may hover somewhere between unrewarding and soul-destroying.

KIDS has not only helped us by making Charlie happier and in turn improving our family dynamic at home, but they also offer us respite when Charlie is with them. During those times we can rest or give our other children some undivided attention which they really benefit from.”

Charlie's mum



**image not associated with the case study*

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Challenging year for families

As resources become scarcer, and funding for specialist services for disabled people dwindles, disabled people are finding it more and more difficult to access support. Our families live in challenging times.



Food and heating

33% of families with disabled children are going without heating, and 31% are going without food.

(NPC, Invest in young lives report, 2016)



Life expectancy

The life expectancy of people with a learning disability is lower than in the general population by up to 20 years (Rethink Mental Illness, 2013). This varies according to the severity of the learning disability. While there is evidence that people with a mild learning disability have a life expectancy approaching that of the national average, mortality rates among people with moderate to severe learning disabilities are three times greater than in the general population.

(Equality and Human Rights Commission, Being disabled in Britain 2017)



School attainment rates

“Disabled pupils in England, Wales and Scotland have much lower attainment rates at school than non-disabled pupils and are significantly more likely to be permanently or temporarily excluded.”

(Equality and Human Rights Commission, Being disabled in Britain 2017)



UK report on Special Educational Needs and disabilities

A report by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation recommends that policy-makers focus on Special Educational Needs and Disabilities as a priority, that better training for school staff is provided and that targeted funding is available for children at risk of exclusion. Evidence suggests disabled children are more likely than those without to experience poverty, have an unfulfilling education and go on to be poor as adults.

(JRF, Special Educational Needs and their links to poverty, 2016)



Education, employment and training

Across Britain in 2015/16, disabled young people aged 16-18 were at least twice as likely as their non-disabled peers to not be in education, employment or training.

(Equality and Human Rights Commission, Being disabled in Britain, 2017)

KIDS is working to redress the balance.



Our services help disabled children and young people to access the support they need. With an emphasis on both education and independence, we ensure that every disabled child we support has the opportunity to fulfil their own unique potential.

“KIDS gives my son the opportunity to access Short Breaks services in an environment that is appropriate for him with staff that are very caring and knowledgeable. They know Sam and how to get the best from him.”

“KIDS Early Years Short Breaks service enables me to spend time with my other son but most importantly it gives Malachy that feeling of independence in a controlled and safe environment amongst children similar to himself. It makes him feel less isolated and less “different” which I think he would have felt if he had gone to a mainstream nursery; I am pretty sure we would not have got the support and help we have received from KIDS.

Just to see him physically pull me up the driveway to get into nursery and the smile his gives me when I pick him up is priceless.”

“KIDS Camden Special Parents Forum has helped me feel more connected to the community and to other parents. I feel less isolated as I did not have access to a parent’s group when my daughter was smaller. It has been a great help to know other parents who share the same concerns as myself and to be able to discuss issues.”

“KIDS Nursery, the staff and their continuous support and all the disability provision provided to my son has made an invaluable difference to not only my son, but us as a family unit. The staff that work at KIDS are all friendly, approachable, non-judgmental and sympathetic to all and I really feel privileged to have been able to send both of my children here.”

“The school transitioning service is absolutely amazing! An outstanding service that really supports a child in such a daunting period. The parent partnership is a lifesaver. Things really get changed in schools with this service. I will always be thankful.”

Accessing education and the right support in school

Over the last four years we have been commissioned by the Council for Disabled Children to provide government-funded Independent Support for parents, children and young people.

We set out to help disabled children, young people and their families transition from “Statements” to the new Educational and Health Care Plans. During the last 12 months we have worked with 2,388 families across 19 local authority areas.

The transition to a new Plan can be both daunting and complex, but is also an opportunity to ensure that children have the very best support – not just in terms of education, but also around health, social care and each child’s specific goals for their future.

Getting this process right is vital for families. With the right Plan they can access the very best support for their child. We have provided a team of specialist Independent Support workers who work alongside families, helping them to navigate this new system and ensure that each child has the best chances in life.

“In 2016, 2.8% of pupils had a statement of Special Educational Needs or Education, Health and Care plan and 991,980 pupils received SEN support – this is equal to 11.6% of the total pupil population.”

Department for Education

“KIDS Independent Support service is invaluable as a source of help and advice for the EHCP process and is delivered in a professional and friendly way. In my experience, my Independent Support worker has been both responsive and supportive, above and beyond anything I could have hoped for.”

Mediation - helping children and their families get the right support

In 2014/15 the overall proportion of children with SEN in England who achieved at least five A*-C GCSEs, including English and Maths, was 20%, compared with 64.2% for non-disabled children.

Children with disabilities usually require specialist support in school yet securing the correct support can be difficult for families as the levels of documentation, evidencing and dialogue required are high.

This is where our Mediation service comes in.

We help to resolve disagreements over the provision of support for children and young people with special education needs. This year we have seen a continued increase in demand for our services with a 30% rise in referrals.

Despite this increase in demand, satisfaction with our service remains very high at 97%. Mediation continues to be a very effective solution for resolving disputes. 85% of KIDS mediations reach agreement: families then do not have to lodge an appeal at tribunal which can be both time consuming and stressful.

Whilst families have always had the right to request mediation on education, health or social care provision, a recent SEND Tribunal National Trial began in April this year. This trial provides a single route of redress for social care and health issues as well as the tribunal's existing remit of education. We expect that we will see an increasing number of mediations as a result of this trial and have provided training and guidance accordingly for our Mediator panel and staff.

This has also been an interesting year for our Mediation team as we have been involved in two exciting projects:

- KIDS has been part of a working group (commissioned by the Department for Education) to support the development of quality standards and recognised training for SEND mediators. We were honoured to share our own quality standards and training which are now the blueprint for the national training and standards launched in June 2018.
- We are also delighted to be supporting a knowledge-exchange project on young people's participation in SEND dispute resolution. The project is funded jointly by the ESRC IAA Impact Fund and Garden Court Chambers Special Fund, with in-kind support from KIDS. The project is being carried out by Margaret Doyle, Senior Research Fellow at UKAJI, University of Essex, who is also on our panel of mediators. We are committing to providing every opportunity for children and young people to have their voice heard and participate in all decisions that affect them so we welcome this research and it feeds in to our wider young people's strategy.



Joseph's story

“My beautiful son Joseph, who is four years old, was diagnosed with autism in January 2016; he started at KIDS nursery the following month.

KIDS special needs nursery came highly recommended by one of our health professionals. At this time we were under immense pressure as a family and I felt as though I was at breaking point.

My husband had reduced his hours at work to support me and Joseph at home due to my mental health being severely affected with coping with Joseph's complex needs and challenging behaviour and also caring for his three older siblings. I tried to take Joseph to mother and toddler groups but he did not like them and would not play. I then knew we had problems and due to my nursery nursing background, I knew I could not send him to a mainstream nursery but we did not know at this stage that KIDS' special needs nursery even existed.

When we found out about KIDS we had hope, and viewed it straight away. It was our light in darkness and Joseph had an opportunity to have the same learning opportunities that other children have.

Gemma and her staff were very professional, knowledgeable, caring and understanding. We had a home visit, “all about me” forms for Joseph and a flexible settling in period where we were involved, welcomed and reassured. At this stage we did not know how much support, help, advice and reassurance would be given to us.

To our amazement Joseph settled straight away, he loved his new nursery and carers. We were so happy for him.

All his developmental needs are met as well as, his social and emotional needs. He has normal opportunities in a specialist environment to grow, develop, learn and to socialise where he feels comfortable and valued.

Joseph has excelled while being there and we are so grateful and thankful. He loves the beautiful, well equipped garden, the peaceful book corner looking at books, the weekly visit from the music therapy teacher and the wide range of activities and sensory toys. The nursery staff like to film and take lots of photos of Joseph, which is a lovely opportunity to see him in action and not miss those special moments.

Joseph's achievements and progress have been immense and wonderful, his behaviour at nursery has always been very good and balanced. Joseph regards his key worker April as a family member and has a lovely relationship with her, and I know the other members of staff are also very special to him. His confidence and understanding of the world has developed and grown greatly. He also enjoys attending the short breaks holiday play schemes, which he greatly benefits from and so do we as a large, busy family.

As parents the help and support we have received has been priceless. Any problems that we encountered were always addressed and supported in a professional and helpful manner. Our endless questions were always answered with patience and advice.



The help and support we have received with Joseph's Education and Health Care Plan has been first class, we have been thoroughly guided, supported and reassured. A training course was organised and freely given to us to help with the understanding of the procedure.

To sum up this service I would say it is invaluable, a greatly needed service that reaches out into the community to help so many children and families. If we had not had this service available I would dread to think what would become of Joseph, me and my family.

The support from KIDS has been life changing. It helped me regain my health, repair my family and build a good foundation for Joseph's life. It has also given him a good quality of life with good opportunities to grow and develop as a well-balanced and educated child enabling him to become a valuable member of society."

Joseph's mum

KIDS Smile Centre

This year KIDS began conversations with Support Education and Respite Care for Children (Smile) that led to Smile becoming a wholly owned subsidiary of KIDS in October 2017 and fully merging with KIDS in February 2018.

As two organisations with very similar values, we both worked to provide respite, care and short breaks services for children and young people with a range of disabilities and by coming together we have been able to ensure that the purpose-built high-tech KIDS Smile Centre has opened its doors to meet the needs of children with some very complex needs.

The £5m centre comprises purpose-built accommodation providing respite care and short breaks for children and young people in Hampshire, enabling KIDS to expand and broaden the services we offer and reach more families over time.

The centre has state of the art equipment and facilities including en-suite bedrooms, a games room and specially planted gardens to encourage sensory stimulation.

The additional space at the KIDS Smile Centre, including the brilliant outdoor area, has really benefited the children who stay with us overnight. Some of them are visibly calmer and their behaviour has improved. The feedback received from children and parents alike has been wonderful – they love the sensory room, the homely bedrooms and the big open garden.



We continue to receive an increasing number of referrals to our projects now the KIDS Smile Centre is up and running and we have a busy programme of activities planned to support children and families. Plans to use the KIDS Smile Centre as a hub from which to grow our regional service offering are also in development, with a number of initiatives for strategic development being explored by our team.



Relationships and Sexuality

“People with a learning disability have a right to develop loving relationships and must be free to express their sexual identity. Adults and young people with a learning disability also have the right to have consensual sex.”

“Many people with a learning disability say that relationships are important to them. Yet, only 3% of people with a learning disability live as a couple, compared to 70% of the general adult population.” (MENCAP)

KIDS Relationships and Sexuality project supports young disabled people aged between 13 and 25 to explore issues, gain knowledge and confidence, develop healthy relationships and combat discrimination.

As with all KIDS projects involving young people, this project is led by young people. They determine the shape of each group session and the form of support that is appropriate to their needs. Topics covered in sessions have centred on healthy relationships, bullying (including cyber bullying), confidence and self-esteem, abuse, health and sexuality issues and consent.

Our staff provide skilled guidance, both through group work and supporting young people on a one to one basis. We have also formed a group of Young Facilitators: a group of young people with disabilities who have in-depth experience of our relationships and sexuality work and are now supporting their peers on these important issues.

Fundraising

Our fundraising team is continuing to increase our levels of voluntary income.

It's vital that we continue to expand our fundraising to enable us to have greater freedom in increasing our services in response to the direct needs of the children and families we support. Our income currently comes from three main strands: trusts, companies and individuals who support us via both events and personal gifts.

Income from trusts and foundations has grown over the past year, enabling us to maintain vital services, pilot new projects and invest in our infrastructure.

We are grateful to the Sandra Charitable Trust for funding a Change Manager post to ensure the smooth implementation of new systems and processes across KIDS, and to the Simplyhealth Foundation for funding new group sessions in the South of England that have improved disabled children and young people's health and wellbeing.

We are grateful to the many individuals who chose to support KIDS this year, be it through organising a fundraising event, giving a regular donation or leaving a gift in their will. Their support has enabled us to remain flexible and responsive, allocating funds where they are most needed to help families.

Our events this year included a new 1980s themed party and a Murder Mystery evening, alongside many sporting events. We raised over £80,000 from the 2018 Virgin London Marathon thanks to our team of 41 dedicated runners. The event was the hottest on record so we are extremely grateful for such an incredible effort on our behalf.

Many of our new corporate partners provided an amazing range of support. White & Case donated over £53,000, helping us fund a new centre in Camden. Their staff not only took part in several fundraising challenges, but also ran skill sharing groups with our children, held office quizzes and provided pro bono support. Selfish Mother donated £33,000 from sales of their #GoodTees clothing ranges and Greystar beat their target of raising £20,017 in 2017, focusing the money on supporting our Hayward Playground in Islington.

We also had our longstanding partners continue to support us. Paperchase donated another £7,211 from their Christmas card sales and carrier bag charge, taking their support over 10 years close to £185,000. Glencore are one of our longest partnerships and they donated another £30,000 in 2017 taking their support since 1999 to over £400,000. Finally, Disney have continued their 15 year association with us, fundraising for our programmes, volunteering staff time, donating products, and inviting families to enjoy rare and special experiences, such as exclusive cinema screenings of Coco and A Wrinkle in Time.



KIDS regional fundraising teams have also had a busy year, with highlights including:

- KIDS West Midlands received £4,530 to fund a new changing room at our Orchard Centre.
- KIDS Lincolnshire received over £2,800 from Lincoln Colonia Round Table to support local services which include our weekly afterschool club.
- Big Lottery funding for the next three years of £150,000 for KIDS Yorkshire and the Humber. This grant will enable the region to develop a Young Person's Participation group, supporting disabled young people to have an influence on decision makers and shape their own services.
- A generous grant of £35,000 from Royal Navy and Royal Marines Charity to KIDS South to enable us to continue our work supporting naval families.
- Irene Lawrie, a dedicated volunteer for KIDS South East who has raised over £100,000 during the last 10 years via collection tins in Hampshire. We were delighted to see Irene win a Community Achievement award last year in recognition of a decade of outstanding volunteer work.

We also work hard to reach out to people via social media and online communications. This year our reach has grown with:

 **9,000 Facebook likes**

 **16,900 Twitter followers**

 **17,979 Youtube views**

“I am taking on the London Marathon for KIDS because it’s a fantastic charity that gives disabled children a chance to take part in and enjoy activities they otherwise wouldn’t be able to do. With my career in sport and education, I think this type of work is invaluable.”



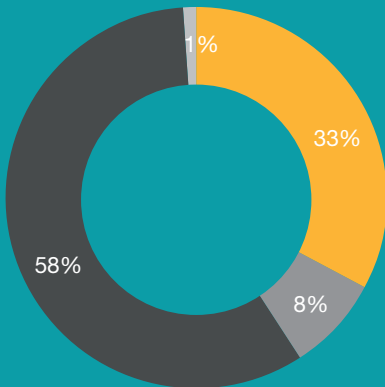
**For every
pound spent on
fundraising £2.84
is raised**

Analysis of the year

KIDS' income for the year ending 31 March 2018 was £10.5m plus the assets transferred from Smile of £5.2m which gives a total of £15.7m. Excluding the transfer of Smile assets income remained the same as the previous year. Expenditure increased by 4% compared to last year which enabled us to only deliver a small surplus for the year of £44,659. The transfer of Smile assets contained primarily the KIDS Smile Centre.

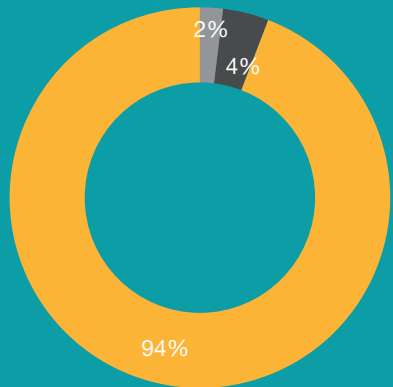
KIDS is in a healthy financial position with strong cash and reserve balances, however we remain cautious with income not anticipated to increase over the next financial year. KIDS will continue to look to diversify our income, seeking funding from other sources and increasing the level of voluntary income as income from statutory sources is expected to fall.

Total Income
£15,724,757



- Donations and legacies
- Other Trading Activities
- Other - including £5.2 million Smile Centre assets
- Charitable Activities

Total Expenditure
£10,734,349



- Costs of generating voluntary income
- Costs of activities for generating funds
- Charitable Activities

Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities

(including consolidated income and expenditure account) for year ending 31 March 2018

	2018			2017
	Unrestricted Funds (£)	Restricted Funds (£)	Total Funds (£)	Total Funds (£)
Income:				
Donations and legacies	438,495	744,265	1,182,760	1,030,604
Charitable Activities	9,129,716	0	9,129,716	9,251,249
Other Trading Activities	177,510	7,466	184,976	156,301
Investments	695	0	695	1,082
Other	46,321	0	46,321	29,478
Acquisition of Smile Assets	5,155,289	25,000	5,180,289	0
Total income	14,948,026	776,731	15,724,757	10,468,714
Expenditure:				
Raising Funds	655,001	0	655,001	560,031
Charitable Activities	9,567,344	512,004	10,079,348	9,747,958
Total Expenditure	10,222,345	512,004	10,734,349	10,307,989
Net Income / (Expenditure)	4,725,681	264,727	4,990,408	160,725
Gains Losses on Disposal of Fixed Assets	234,540	0	234,540	0
Transfers	7,146	(7,146)	0	0
Net Movement in Funds	4,967,367	257,581	5,224,948	160,725
Reconciliation of Funds:				
Total Fund brought forward	2,537,341	222,943	2,760,284	2,599,559
Total funds carried forward	7,504,708	480,524	7,985,232	2,760,284

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

Balance Sheet

	Group 2018 (£)	Group 2017 (£)
Fixed assets:		
Tangible assets	6,044,391	1,775,884
Total Fixed assets	6,044,391	1,775,884
Current assets:		
Debtors	1,685,841	1,412,049
Cash at bank and in hand	1,309,946	913,162
Total Current assets	2,995,787	2,325,211
Liabilities:		
	£	
Creditors falling due within one year	(918,835)	(765,247)
Net Current assets	2,076,952	1,559,964
Total assets less current liabilities	8,121,343	3,335,848
Creditors: falling due after more than one year	(136,111)	(575,564)
Net assets	7,985,232	2,760,284
The funds of the charity:		
Restricted income funds	480,524	222,943
Property Reserve	5,019,300	0
Unrestricted income funds	2,485,408	2,537,341
Total funds carried forward	7,985,232	2,760,284

The consolidated financial statements of KIDS, registration number 1346252

Reserves

Statement of Funds at 31 March 2018

Restricted Funds	£480,524
Designated Funds	£337,473
Capital Reserve Fund	£147,943
Property Reserve	£5,019,300
General Fund	£1,999,992
Total Unrestricted Funds	£7,504,708

Total Funds	£7,985,232
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Unrestricted funds includes a property reserve which is due to the valuation of the KIDS Smile Centre when Smile merged with KIDS. This is not a cash balance that we have in the bank but the current value of the property. Designated funds will be used to fund investment in the fundraising capacity and continue to improve our infrastructure, as well as a building maintenance fund. As part of the development of the Corporate Strategy for 2016-20, the Trustees developed a reserves policy that reflects the business needs. This is an agile policy and with internal/external changes to the charity the monetary level may change from year to year but the principles within the policy will remain the same.

Full details of KIDS' reserves policy can be found in our Accounts.



Gifts and grants received

The list below provides details of all voluntary donations over £5,000 or above received during the past two financial years by the charity.

29th May 1961 Charitable Trust

ACT Foundation

A D Charitable Trust

Anonymous

Anonymous

Arsenal Foundation

Bailey Thomas Fund

Battersea Power Station Foundation

BBC Children in Need

Blagrove Trust

BNP Paribas

CHK Charities

Clover Trust

Clothworkers Foundation

Cranswick Foods

Credit Suisse

DM Thomas Foundation

Elizabeth & Prince Zaiger Charitable Trust

Eveson Charitable Trust

Expat Foundation

Garfield Weston Foundation

Glebe Charitable Trust

Glencore

Goldman Sachs

Groundwork UK

Hertfordshire Community Foundation

Hull and East Riding Trust

Irwin Mitchell

John Ellerman Foundation

Leathersellers Company

Masonic Charitable Foundation

Nexen Petroleum

Office Agents Society

Operation Happy Child

Peter Harrison Foundation

Postcode Community Trust

Royal Navy and Royal Marines Charity

S&W Investment Service

Sandra Charitable Trust

Santander

Selfish Mother

Simplyhealth Foundation

Sir James Reckitt Charity

St Andrew Holborn Charities

Swire Charitable Trust

The Albert Hunt Trust

The Band Trust

The Childwick Trust

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Your support makes our work with disabled children and young people possible. Here is how you can get involved in the coming year:



Make a donation: Your donation is absolutely invaluable to us as it enables us to continue providing vital services and support to disabled children, and to reach more families in need. You can support KIDS through a one off or monthly online donation. Alternatively you can set up payroll giving or donate by post.



Take part: From holding a bake sale or pub quiz to taking part in a marathon, there are lots of fun ways to fundraise for KIDS. Get involved and contact our events team on: events@kids.org.uk



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