

**FAMILY SERVICE UNIT SCOTLAND
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)
KNOWN AS CIRCLE**

ABSTRACT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Achievements and performance

Between April 2012 and March 2013 Circle provided whole family support to 484 families consisting of 1,052 children, 652 parents and 156 kinship carers. In addition, through Circle's Haven project we also provided group work programmes to 162 children, 62 mothers and 40 fathers who were not accessing our family support services. In total Circle worked with 2,157 individuals.

This year Circle's Families Affected by Imprisonment (FABI) project has supported 157 families with 289 children affected by parental imprisonment; this included 76 kinship carers who are caring for grandchildren as a result of parental imprisonment. Our through care service for mothers leaving prison and their families has now been externally evaluated over a four year period and achievements highlighted in the January 2013 report include reducing re-offence rates by 81% for the mothers.

In April 2012 the Scottish Government awarded Circle £50,000 to cover the cost of a fulltime family support worker in Edinburgh and part time family support worker in Fife for the FABI team, this replaced funding from Lothian & Borders and Fife & Forth Valley CJAs which came to an end in March 2012. In October 2012 the Reducing Reoffending Change Fund awarded Circle £55,000 to be spent between November 2012 and March 2013. This covered the cost of two current posts and one new post and enabled us move into Tayside which is a new geographical area for us.

Circle's Harbour project has supported 78 families with 191 children affected by parental drug and alcohol use; this included 12 kinship carers who are caring for grandchildren as a result of parental drug and alcohol use. New three year funding from Comic Relief in October 2012 has enabled the project to further develop its work to include young people who use drugs and alcohol and their families.

Circle's Early Years Family Support project based in Edinburgh, West Lothian and North and South Lanarkshire and funded by Inspiring Scotland to work with families with very young children affected by parental drug and alcohol use has proved so successful that in September 2012 Inspiring Scotland agreed to fund an additional five family support workers and a half time project manager on top of the eight family support workers and full time project manager they were already funding. This enabled us to provide support to 184 families with 355 children this year

In October 2012 the City of Edinburgh Council commissioned Circle to provide a new Kinship Care Family Support project. Between October 2012 and March 2013 the project has supported 26 families made up of 36 kinship carers and 50 children. The families have comprised grandparents, aunts and uncles, neighbours and family friends of the children for whom they are caring. The children have invariably been placed due to their parents' substance use. Through our other family support projects Circle has supported an additional 120 kinship carers this year.

Between April 2012 and March 2013 Circle's Practice Learning project provided 29 placements to social work students from Edinburgh University, Stirling University, Glasgow School of Social Work, University of the West of Scotland and the Open University. We also provided an art therapy placement to a student from Queen Margaret's University.

In April 2012 Edinburgh Drug and Alcohol Partnership (EADP) provided funds of £4,530 to Circle's Harbour project to enable families to have a holiday. Twelve families had a five day caravan holiday during the first week of the Easter Holidays and in spite of the weather being unseasonably cold, the families had a great time at Haggerston Castle and Berwick Holiday Village. In total 53 people benefitted (22 adults and 31 children).

In May 2012 9 children from Circle Lanarkshire Project and 9 children from Circle's Haven project in Edinburgh went on a five day holiday to a beautiful house in Ardvullin, just south of Fort William, owned by Hopscotch. Activities included a ride in the cable cars up 2,150 feet on the north face of Aonach Mor, a boat trip to Seal Island, horse riding, fun and games on the beach and wonderful memories for everyone involved.

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Over the summer of 2012 Circle's Dads' group and their children had a very busy programme including a fantastic Dads & Kids Fun Day at the Haven project which a total of 70 parents and children attended. There were weekly activities including canoeing, rock climbing, gorge walking, cycling, swimming and an overnight bothy trip to the Borders. This was funded through the Neighbourhood Partnership Fund.

The Scripture Union were able to offer 43 children from Circle's FABI project the opportunity to attend week activity breaks throughout Scotland in July 2012. Graeme from the FABI team has made close links with the Scripture Union which has greatly benefitted many of the children and offered them opportunities which otherwise they may not have had. It is fair to say that the drop-offs and pickups had to be arranged with military precision and since they took place at the weekend many of the staff had to work on a Saturday to accommodate the children. It is a credit to the staff that they happily gave up their time to ensure the children had a lovely time.

Maura Daly, Circle's Operational Manager completed her MBA in August 2012 and at her graduation ceremony she was awarded the Student of the Year prize.

Circle held an event at Edinburgh University on 21 November 2012 hosted by Knowledge Exchange. This was to launch our report titled 'Listening to Fathers - men's experience of child protection in Central Scotland'. Norma Baldwin, a Circle Trustee, chaired the event, Mark Smith from Edinburgh University gave an excellent presentation and three dads spoke very candidly about their experiences. The event was very well attended and received a lot of media coverage.

The Herald printed an excellent two page spread on FABI's partnership with the Scripture Union - a mother spoke of her experience of the support she and her children received from Circle and what the children got out of going on the holiday organised by the Scripture Union.

Margaret McCulloch MSP visited Circle's office in Hamilton on 10 December to find out about our work, she was able to meet with a number of service users and was visibly overwhelmed by their stories.

The run up to Christmas was extremely busy; a lot of organisations such as Radio Forth, the Samaritans and a number of local churches were very generous with food and presents which meant Christmas was a happier and less worrying time for the children and families Circle works with. Circle staff were still delivering bags of food and presents on Christmas Eve.

Circle had a very good staff development day in December which reviewed our work in 2012, focussed on outcomes for our internal project evaluations for 2012/13 and enabled Circle to develop project action plans for 2013/14. It ended with an excellent Christmas lunch.

In January 2013 at the Board and Management Away Day, the Management Team presented Circle's Strategic Plan for 2013 to 2016, The Organisational Action Plan for 2013 to 2014 and all the Project Action Plans for 2013 to 2014 to the Board. It was also agreed to set up an Advisor Panel of experts in the various fields of our work, Circle now has a panel membership of six who bring a wealth of skills, knowledge and experience to the organisation.

Circle held an excellent Early Intervention seminar in West Lothian on 13 February to showcase Circle's Early Years' service. It was very well attended and a member of the audience was so inspired that she decided to raise sufficient funding to enable Circle to employ two workers to provide a similar service in East and Mid Lothian. To date she has raised £130,000 and we are just about to recruit to these posts.

In March 2013 Joanne McBrearty, one of Circle's family support workers in Lanarkshire, was awarded a distinction in her Certificate (HE) Drug and Alcohol Studies.

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SUMMARISED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STATEMENT of FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES for the year ended 31 March 2013

	Un- Restricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2013	Total 2012
	£	£	£	£
Incoming resources				
<i>Incoming resources from generated funds</i>				
Voluntary income – donations and grants	25,319	20,000	45,319	57,564
Investment income – bank interest	10,882	-	10,882	9,455
<i>Incoming resources from charitable activities</i>				
	-	1,554,906	1,554,906	1,299,532
Total incoming resources	36,201	1,574,906	1,611,107	1,366,551
Resources expended				
<i>Cost of generating voluntary income</i>				
	890	-	890	543
<i>Charitable activities</i>				
	-	1,768,421	1,768,421	1,559,880
<i>Governance costs</i>				
	5,434	-	5,434	4,930
Total resources expended	6,324	1,768,421	1,774,745	1,565,353
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources and net movement of funds	29,877	(193,515)	(163,638)	(198,802)
Reserves brought forward	347,811	392,524	740,335	939,137
Reserves carried forward	377,688	199,009	576,697	740,335
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The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

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BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 March 2013

	£	2013 £	£	2012 £
Fixed assets				
Tangible assets		23,473		35,733
Current assets				
Debtors	50,045		89,910	
Cash at bank and in hand	640,229		781,496	
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	690,274		871,406	
Creditors: amounts due within one year	137,050		166,804	
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Net current assets		553,224		704,602
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Net assets		576,697		740,335
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Reserves				
Unrestricted funds		377,688		347,811
Restricted funds		199,009		392,524
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		576,697		740,335
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FINANCIAL SUMMARY

The summarised financial statements have been extracted from the full financial statements which were approved on 29 July 2013 and do not constitute the charity's statutory financial statements. The statutory financial statements have been audited and the auditors' opinion was unqualified. The statutory financial statements have also been submitted to the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator.

The summarised financial statements include additional information extracted from the Director's Report, but not the full text of that report. For further information, the full annual financial statements, the auditors' report on these financial statements, and the Directors' Report should be consulted. Copies of the audited financial statements can be obtained by writing to Circle.

Approved by the Directors and signed on their behalf by:-

..........Caroline Lamb, Director

..........Barry Rose, Director

.....29/7/..... 2013

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' STATEMENT TO THE
DIRECTORS AND MEMBERS OF FAMILY SERVICE UNIT SCOTLAND
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We have examined the summarised financial statements of Family Service Unit Scotland (known as Circle) for the year ended 31 March 2013.

Respective responsibilities of the Directors and auditors

The Directors are responsible for preparing the summarised financial statements in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law. Our responsibility is to report to you our opinion on the consistency of the summarised financial statements with the full annual financial statements and the Directors' Report, and its compliance with the relevant requirements of section 427 of the Companies Act 2006 and the regulations made thereunder.

We also read the other information contained in the Abstract of the Financial Statements and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the summarised financial statements. The other information comprised the Achievements and Performance report.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our work in accordance with Bulletin 2008/3 "The auditors' statement on the summary financial statement" issued by the Auditing Practices Board for use in the United Kingdom. Our report on the charitable company's full annual financial statements describes the basis of our opinion on those financial statements and on the Directors' Report.

Opinion

In our opinion the summarised financial statements are consistent with the full annual financial statements and the Directors' report of Family Service Unit Scotland (known as Circle) for the year ended 31 March 2013, and it complies with the applicable requirements of section 427 of the Companies Act 2006, and the regulations made thereunder.

We have not considered the effects of any events between the date on which we sign our report on the full financial statements, 1 August 2013, and the date of this statement.

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20 August 2013

DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

The auditor has issued unqualified reports on the full annual financial statements and on the consistency of the Directors' Report with those financial statements. Their report on the full annual financial statements contained no statement under sections 498(2)(a), 498(2)(b) or 498(3) of the Companies Act 2006.