

**SOUTH AFRICAN GUIDE - DOGS
ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND**

[Non-Profit Organisation Registration Number 000-758 NPO]

**ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
31 MARCH 2024**



■ REGISTERED ACCOUNTANTS
& AUDITORS ■

South African Guide-Dogs Association for the Blind

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

for the year ended 31 March 2024

A Welcome Recovery

When reviewing the Association's financial performance in March 2021, we were faced with a loss of some R 10 million - occasioned in the most part by Covid-19 and a hard lockdown over much of that Financial Year - the Board set a target of returning to financial stability by the end of Financial Year 2024.

We had been building up reserves over a number of years and so were able to draw down on them from April 2021 until March 2024. This year we achieved our target and were able to record a surplus of some R 2.6 million. Whilst some of this extra income was due to returns on our investments, our fundraising efforts were also rewarded with better than budgeted income. It is a tribute to our Marketing and Fundraising Teams that this was achieved.

Having achieved our return to a balanced budget, it should also be noted that the crowded NPO/PBO sector is facing increasing challenges, as a reflection of South Africa's depressed economy. Our individual donors just don't have as much disposable income as previously.

This year marks our 71 anniversary, having been founded in 1953 by Gladys Evans when she returned from England with her first Guide Dog. Over time, training of Autism Support- and Service- Dogs have also been added. In 1974 a College to train practitioners to provide organisation and mobility skills to the visibly impaired was started, hence this component of our Organisation – the Orientation and Mobility College - celebrates its 50th anniversary this year.

We are blessed with committed, dedicated and industrious staff. In this regard I would like to record my deepest appreciation to each GDA employee. A big thank you to Vernon Tutton, our Executive Director, for his leadership and guidance.

In conclusion, thank you to my colleagues on the Board for your support and forbearance.

Nigel Unwin

Chairman

August 2024

South African Guide-Dogs Association for the Blind

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT for the year ended 31 March 2024

Dear Board Members, Stakeholders, and Team Members

I am honoured to present the Executive Director's report for our Annual General Meeting. As we reflect on the achievements and challenges of the past year, I am filled with gratitude for the dedication and leadership of our outgoing Chairman and vice Chairman, who played a pivotal role in turning our organization around over recent years. We owe them gratitude for their efforts and strategic guidance that have shaped our organisation's trajectory.

I would also like to extend my heartfelt thanks to our puppy raisers, dedicated staff, loyal donors and customers who have been unwavering in their support of our mission. Your hard work, passion and commitment have been the driving force behind our success and I am deeply grateful for all that you do.

Despite facing tough financial times, I am proud to report that we have achieved our best year in many years. This remarkable achievement is a testament to the resilience, creativity and teamwork of our entire organization. Together we have overcome challenges, seized opportunities and continued to deliver exceptional services to those we support.

During the year we graduated 41 dogs; while the Orientation and Mobility support team assisted 248 visually impaired persons through training in the use of the long cane and giving them skills to assist in their daily living. In the same period 1031 health care professionals, public, caregivers and students attended awareness workshops presented by our team.

As we navigate the road ahead I am confident that we have the strength, dedication and vision to overcome any obstacles that come our way. Together we will continue to make a meaningful impact on the lives of those we serve and uphold our commitment to excellence.

In closing, I want to express my deepest appreciation to each and every one of you for your contributions, dedication and unwavering support. It is through your collective efforts that we have achieved success and made a difference in the lives of others.

Thank you for your continued trust and partnership.

Sincerely,

Vernon Tutton

Executive Director

August 2024

South African Guide-Dogs Association for the Blind

HONOURARY TREASURER'S REPORT for the year ended 31 March 2024

I am pleased to present the Honorary Treasurer's Report for the association for the year ended 31 March 2024. This report outlines the financial performance of our association during the year, with a specific focus on the impact of the economic environment on our operations and financial health.

In South Africa our employees and donors continued to be impacted by rising living costs and higher interest rate environment, resulting in pressure on disposable income. As was done in prior years, the association proactively adapted our strategies to ensure our financial sustainability and continued our impactful work.

The association managed to maintain its commitment to enhance the lives of visually and physically impaired individuals, and children with autism. For the first time in five years the association had a net surplus for the year of R2.6 million (2023: net deficit R3.6 million).

Examining the Association's results for the year ended March 2024, the main features were: -

- Directly controlled income increased by 6% to R24.6 million- this was largely due to increased income from trusts and direct donations received.
- Expenses also grew by 6% to R43.9 million reflecting inflationary growth, the impact of load shedding and ageing assets.
- Net deficit from main business increased by R1.0 million to R19.3 million.
- Legacy income increases by 56% to R18.9 million (2023: 59% to R12.1 million). The significant increase in receipts from this sector, reduced our net deficit from main business. Unfortunately, this component of our income is unpredictable.
- There was a net surplus from operations of R2.1m an improvement of R6.1 million from a net deficit of R 3.9 million in the previous year.

Capital expenditure of R3.1m took place during the year under review.

Financial assets increased from R81.8 million to R95.8 million due to improved returns.

In conclusion I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all our donors and loyal supporters for their critical support in furthering our cause.

Dawn Earp

Treasurer

August 2024

SOUTH AFRICAN GUIDE-DOGS ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND

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OFFICE BEARERS

Executive Director	Vernon Wooding Tutton
Honorary Chairman	Nigel William Unwin
Honorary Vice Chairman	Alastair Duncan Stalker
Honorary Treasurer	Dawn Earp
Honorary Board Member	Jeremy Guy Opperman
Honorary Board Member	Lanya Dawn Stanek
Honorary Board Member	Vasu Naidoo
Honorary Board Member	Eunivicia Matlhogonolo Mogapi
Honorary Board Member	Hiten Keshave

NATURE OF ASSOCIATION

To enhance the mobility and independence of people who have visual, physical and developmental needs.

AUDITORS

Axiom Registered Accountants & Auditors

BANKERS

First National Bank Limited
Nedbank Limited

FUND MANAGERS

Nedbank Private Wealth
Ninety One
Abax Investments

NON-PROFIT ORGANISATION #

000-758 NPO

REGISTERED ADDRESS

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**STATEMENT OF THE BOARD OF THE ASSOCIATION'S RESPONSIBILITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

The Board of the Association is responsible for the preparation, integrity and fair presentation of the annual financial statements of South African Guide-Dogs Association for the Blind. The annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024, presented on pages 3 to 15, have been prepared in accordance with the Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting as contained in the International financial reporting standards (IFRS) and include amounts based on judgements and estimates made by management.

The Board of the Association consider that in preparing the annual financial statements, it has used the most appropriate policies, consistently applied and supported by reasonable prudent judgements and estimates, and that the Conceptual Framework has been applied. The annual financial statements fairly present the results of operations for the year and the financial position of the Association at year end in accordance with the above framework.

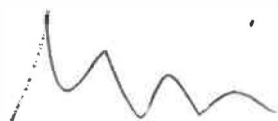
The Board of the Association has a responsibility for ensuring that accounting records are kept. The accounting records should disclose with reasonable accuracy, the financial position and results of the Association to enable the Board of the Association to ensure that the annual financial statements comply with relevant legislation.

The Association operates in an established control environment, which is documented and regularly reviewed. This incorporates risk management and internal control procedures which are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets are safeguarded and the risks facing the operations are being controlled. Nothing has come to the attention of the Board of the Association to indicate that any material breakdown in the functioning of these controls, procedures and systems has occurred during the year under review.

The Board of the Association has reviewed the Association's budget and cash flow forecast for the financial year to 31 March 2025. On the basis of this review and in light of the current financial position, the Board of the Association is satisfied that the Association has access to adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and is a going concern. It has continued to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual financial statements. These annual financial statements support the viability of the Association.

The annual financial statements have been audited by the independent auditor, Axiom Registered Accountants & Auditors, who were given unrestricted access to all financial records and related data, including minutes of all meetings of management, Board of the Association and Committees of the Board. The modified audit report of Axiom Registered Accountants & Auditors is presented on page 4 and 5.

The annual financial statements were approved by the Board of the Association on the 30th of August 2024 and are signed on its behalf by :-



N.W. Unwin
Chairman



V.W. Tutton
Executive Director

**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SOUTH AFRICAN GUIDE-DOGS ASSOCIATION
FOR THE BLIND FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

The Board presents its report and the financial statements for the year then ended.

1 NATURE OF BUSINESS

To enhance the mobility and independence of people who have visual, physical and developmental needs.

2 FINANCIAL RESULTS

The results of operations as well as the financial position for the year ended are detailed in the attached financial statements.

3 CAPITAL

The Association does not have share capital. In the event of the winding up of the Association, the balance of funds available would be transferred to another organisation with similar objectives.

4 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

There was no change in the nature of the property, plant and equipment of the Association or in the policy regarding their use.

5 EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO THE YEAR END

No other material fact or circumstance has occurred since the accounting date and the date of this report.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN GUIDE-DOGS ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND

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Qualified Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the South African Guide-Dogs Association for the Blind set out on pages 6 to 15, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 March 2024, and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, except for the possible effect of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion section of our report, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the South African Guide-Dogs Association for the Blind as at 31 March 2024, and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with basis of accounting referred to in note 1.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

The South African Guide-Dogs Association for the Blind, in common with other charitable organizations, receives certain income from public donations and functions, the recognition of which, due to its nature, is not susceptible to verification by generally accepted auditing procedures. Therefore, our examination relating to such income was limited to the amount thereof recorded in the financial records.

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the association in accordance with sections 290 and 291 of the Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors' Code of Professional Conduct for Registered Auditors (Revised January 2018) (IRBA Code (Revised January 2018)), parts 1 and 3 of the Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors' Code of Professional Conduct for Registered Auditors (Revised November 2018) (IRBA Code (Revised November 2018)) and other independence requirements applicable to performing audits of financial statements in South Africa. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IRBA Code (Revised January 2018), the IRBA Code (Revised November 2018) and in accordance with other ethical requirements applicable to performing audits in South Africa. Section 290 and 291 of the IRBA Code (Revised January 2018) are consistent with sections 290 and 291 of the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants. Parts 1 and 3 of the IRBA Code (Revised November 2018) are consistent with parts 1 and 3 of the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards.) We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Basis of Accounting

Without qualifying our opinion, we draw attention to the basis of accounting contained in the financial statements. The basis of accounting therein is not intended to, and does not, comply with all the requirements of International Financial Reporting Standards.

Other Information

The Association's Board is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Board Responsibility report and Report of the Board as required by the South African Guide-Dogs Association for the Blind. The other information does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance conclusion thereon.



In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of the Board for the Financial Statements

The Association's Board is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the South African Guide-Dogs Association for the Blind, and for such internal control as the Association's Board determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Association's Board are responsible for assessing the association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Association's Board either intend to liquidate the association or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Association's Board.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Association's Board use of the going concern basis of accounting and based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Association's Board regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Axiom Registered Accountants & Auditors

DEAN MICHAEL PRETORIUS (388497)

PARTNER - AXIOM REGISTERED ACCOUNTANTS & AUDITORS

REGISTERED AUDITOR

30 AUGUST 2024

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STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024 R '000	2023 R '000
MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS	2 / 12	15	15
SALES of TRAINED DOGS		-	-
TUITION FEES & O & M INCOME	2	1 251	1 534
FUND RAISING EVENTS	2	857	924
TRADING & SUNDRY INCOME	2	880	758
TRADING INCOME		252	358
SUNDRY INCOME		628	400
TURNOVER		3 003	3 231
DONATIONS RECEIVED	2	15 368	14 385
DONATIONS DIRECT	10	14 437	13 644
DONATIONS IN KIND	11	931	741
INCOME FROM TRUSTS	2	6 220	5 474
WILL TRUSTS		1 032	937
CHARITABLE TRUSTS	10	5 188	4 537
DIRECTLY CONTROLLED INCOME		24 591	23 090
EXPENSES	4	(43 905)	(41 333)
PAYROLL & RELATED	4	32 238	30 035
OTHER STAFF COSTS		379	156
STAFF TRAINING		40	40
KENNEL EXPENSES	11	1 151	963
VETERINARY EXPENSES	11	1 819	1 962
TRAINING EQUIPMENT		425	435
TRAVEL & ACCOMMODATION		467	420
FACILITIES		993	999
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE		1 207	1 304
DEPRECIATION	5	1 007	978
ADMIN & GENERAL EXPENSES		1 027	675
COMMUNICATION COSTS		353	400
IT EXPENSES		911	796
STUDENT RELATED EXPENSES		309	242
MARKETING & PROMOTIONS EXPENSES		415	711
HEALTH & SAFETY		33	25
FLEET RUNNING EXPENSES		1 131	1 192
SUB-TOTAL		(19 314)	(18 243)
VALUE OF NON-OPERATIONAL DONATIONS-IN-KIND	11	-	-
NET (DEFICIT) from MAIN BUSINESS		(19 314)	(18 243)
LEGACIES RECEIVED	2	18 878	12 135
NET (DEFICIT) before INVESTMENTS		(436)	(6 108)
INVESTMENT INCOME	2 / 3	2 562	2 172
DIVIDENDS RECEIVED		425	418
INTEREST RECEIVED		2 137	1 754
(DEFICIT) from OPERATIONS		2 126	(3 936)
PROFIT on disposal of ASSETS	2	466	352
NET PROFIT on disposal of FINANCIAL ASSETS	3	466	352
NET (DEFICIT) for the YEAR		2 592	(3 584)

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AT 31 MARCH 2024

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	Notes	2024 R '000	2023 R '000
ASSETS			
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
		118 199	102 130
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT	5	22 412	20 331
FINANCIAL ASSETS	6	95 787	81 799
CURRENT ASSETS			
		2 657	3 825
INVENTORY	7	30	146
TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES	8	1 437	831
CASH AND BANK		1 190	2 848
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>120 856</u>	<u>105 955</u>
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
		118 674	103 798
ACCUMULATED FUNDS		82 405	79 813
REVALUATION RESERVE	6	36 269	23 985
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES	9	2 182	2 157
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		<u>120 856</u>	<u>105 955</u>

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	Accumulated surplus R '000	Revaluation reserve R '000	Total R '000
Balance at 31 March 2022		83 397	19 063	102 460
Net (deficit) from main business		(18 243)	-	(18 243)
Legacies received for the year	2	12 135	-	12 135
Investment income	2	2 172	-	2 172
Net profit / (loss) on disposal of assets	2 / 3	352	-	352
Revaluation reserve	6	-	4 922	4 922
Balance at 31 March 2023		79 813	23 985	103 798
Net (deficit) from main business		(19 314)	-	(19 314)
Legacies received for the year	2	18 878	-	18 878
Investment income	2	2 562	-	2 562
Net profit / (loss) on disposal of assets	2 / 3	466	-	466
Revaluation reserve	6	-	12 284	12 284
Balance at 31 March 2024		82 405	36 269	118 674

STATEMENT CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024 R '000	2023 R '000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		(18 772)	(17 446)
NET (DEFICIT) from MAIN BUSINESS		(19 314)	(18 243)
Adjustments for : Depreciation		1 007	978
Changes in Working Capital			
Decrease in Inventory		116	46
(Increase) in Accounts Receivable		(606)	(212)
Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable		25	(15)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		(1 764)	7 418
Additions to property, plant and equipment	5	(3 088)	(4 565)
Net income from financial assets	3	3 028	2 524
(Increase)/Decrease in financial assets	6	(1 704)	9 459
CASH FLOWS FROM LEGACY ACTIVITIES	2	18 878	12 135
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		(1 658)	2 107
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR		2 848	741
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE YEAR		<u>1 190</u>	<u>2 848</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The annual financial statements as set out on pages 2 - 14 are prepared on the historical cost basis with the exception of financial assets as detailed in note 1.2, and incorporate the following principal accounting policies which are consistent with those applied in the previous year.

The financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis. The board adopted the Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting ,as contained in the International financial reporting standards (IFRS) for the basis of accounting.

1.1 Property, plant and equipment

Assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any impairment in value. Depreciation is calculated on a straight line basis over the estimated useful life of the asset as follows:

- 10 years Furniture and fittings
- 10 years Motor vehicles
- 6 years Equipment
- 5 years IT Equipment
- 5 years Computer software
- 10 years College of Orientation and Mobility library

Properties are not depreciated nor subject to impairment and are stated at cost or bequeathed value.

The carrying values of assets are reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable. If any such indication exists and where the carrying values exceed the estimated recoverable amount, the assets or are written down to their recoverable amount.

An item of equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected to arise from the continued use of the asset. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition of the asset (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the item) is included in the statement of comprehensive income in the year the item is derecognised.

1.2 Financial assets

All financial assets are initially recognised at cost. Listed equities are recognised as financial assets, which are measured at fair value, with unrealised gains and losses recognised as a separate component of equity, until the financial assets are sold. Fair value of financial assets are determined by reference to quoted market prices.

Financial assets - Foreign

Due to the strategic long-term nature of the Association's investments in international equity funds, where the common practice is to capitalise annual returns; and where variations in exchange rates have the same outcome on the reported current value of such funds as changing market values, the Association does not recognise the income generated from these investments on an annual basis; all changes in value (including dividends received, interest, capital profits/losses on disposals within the funds, variations in exchange rates and changes in the closing market values of the underlying investments etc) are taken directly to the Revaluation Reserve – similar to the market value changes of local investments.

The reported value of these funds is calculated by converting the foreign currency values of the respective funds at the ruling local currency (ZAR) to foreign currency exchange rate at the year end.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1.3 Employee Benefits

Defined contribution plans

Contributions in respect of defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in the year to which they relate.

1.4 Provisions

Provisions are recognised where the Association has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, a reliable estimate of the obligation can be made and it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation.

1.5 Inventory

Inventory is valued at the lower of cost, or net realisable value.

1.6 Income

Donations direct, Sponsorships, Events, Income from trusts, Legacies, Trading and Subscriptions

Income from donations, sponsorships and subscriptions are recognized when cash is received and is stated at net of direct costs incurred.

Course fees

Course fees are recognized when due to the Association.

Interest and Dividends

Interest is recognized on the accrual basis.

Dividends are recognized when these are receivable net of direct costs.

Profit and loss on disposal of assets

On disposal of financial assets the profit and/or loss made is stated directly in equity under the statement of changes in equity.

1.7 Turnover

Income the Association generates by conducting its fund raising activities of selling goods and services to its customers for a price.

1.8 Donations-in-kind

Donations received “in-kind” are recognised at cost to the donor. Where the nature of the goods or services donated relates to an activity deemed part of the direct operational requirements of the Association, these are reported on the relevant expense line. All other donations-in-kind are reported separately.

1.9 TAXATION

The Association is an approved public benefit organization and is exempt from normal tax in terms of section 30 of the Income Tax Act.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024 R '000	2023 R '000
2. INCOME			
Total income comprises:			
- Donations received		15 368	14 385
- Income from trusts		6 220	5 474
- Fundraising, sponsorships and other		2 988	3 216
- Investment income		2 562	2 172
		<u>27 138</u>	<u>25 247</u>
- Subscriptions		15	15
- Legacies received		18 878	12 135
- Net profit on disposal of assets		466	352
		<u>46 497</u>	<u>37 749</u>
3. INCOME FROM FINANCIAL ASSETS			
Investment income		2 562	2 172
- Dividends	6	425	418
- Interest	6	1 818	1 674
- Interest : Bank and other		319	80
Net profit on disposal of financial assets		466	352
- Profit / (loss) on disposal of financial assets	6	487	374
- Management fees	6	(21)	(22)
Total net income from financial assets		<u>3 028</u>	<u>2 524</u>
4. EXPENSES			
Expenses include:			
Audit fees		70	66
- Current year		61	59
- Accounting fees		7	5
- Other expenses		2	2
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment		1 007	978
- Furniture and fittings		44	44
- Motor vehicles		446	395
- Equipment		208	174
- IT Equipment		139	192
- Computer software		168	173
- College of Orientation and Mobility library		2	-
Staff costs			
- Key management salaries and wages		6 844	6 346
- Other employees salaries and wages		20 499	19 002
Total salaries and wages		<u>27 343</u>	<u>25 348</u>
- Contributions to retirement funds and related insurance		3 386	3 241
- Medical aid contributions		1 459	1 368
- Other		50	78
Total staff costs		<u>32 238</u>	<u>30 035</u>
		2024	2023
Staff numbers		#	#
- Average number of key manangement employed during the year		7	7
- Average number of other employees employed during the year		68	70
Total average number of employees during the year		<u>75</u>	<u>77</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

5. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	2024			2023		
	R '000			R '000		
	Cost	Accumulated Depreciation	Carrying Value	Cost	Accumulated Depreciation	Carrying Value
Property	19 266	-	19 266	16 702	-	16 702
Furniture and fixtures	1 159	(1 005)	154	1 096	(961)	135
Motor vehicles	6 372	(4 709)	1 663	6 372	(4 263)	2 109
Equipment	2 235	(1 637)	598	1 863	(1 428)	435
IT Equipment	1 827	(1 598)	229	1 739	(1 459)	280
Computer software	870	(369)	501	870	(201)	669
College of Orientation and Mobility library	55	(54)	1	53	(52)	1
	31 784	(9 372)	22 412	28 695	(8 364)	20 331

Reconciliation of property, plant and equipment		2024			
	Opening Balance	Additions	Disposals	Depreciation	Total
Property	16 702	2 564	-	-	19 266
Furniture and fixtures	135	63	-	(44)	154
Motor vehicles	2 109	-	-	(446)	1 663
Equipment	435	371	-	(208)	598
IT Equipment	280	88	-	(139)	229
Computer software	669	-	-	(168)	501
College of Orientation and Mobility library	1	2	-	(2)	1
	20 331	3 088	-	(1 007)	22 412

Reconciliation of property, plant and equipment		2023			
	Opening Balance	Additions	Disposals	Depreciation	Total
Property	13 174	3 528	-	-	16 702
Furniture and fixtures	179	-	-	(44)	135
Motor vehicles	1 752	752	-	(395)	2 109
Office equipment	410	199	-	(174)	435
IT Equipment	386	86	-	(192)	280
Computer software	842	-	-	(173)	669
College of Orientation and Mobility library	1	-	-	-	1
	16 744	4 565	-	(978)	20 331

DETAILS OF PROPERTIES

Portion 126 of Rietfontein 2IR, Sandton	T54408/1983
89 Belvedere Road, Claremont, Cape Town	T93012/2005
85 Belvedere Road, Claremont, Cape Town	T94572/2007
87 Belvedere Road, Claremont, Cape Town	T14002/2023

The aggregate value of the properties has been assessed by the respective municipalities at R 35 772 000 (2023 - R 32 436 000).

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	2024	2023
	R '000	R '000
6. FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Financial assets	95 617	81 694
Local	77 140	67 161
Foreign	18 477	14 533
Funds on call	170	105
	<u>95 787</u>	<u>81 799</u>
Opening balance	81 798	86 336
Interest received (Refer to note 3)	1 818	1 674
Dividends received (Refer to note 3)	425	418
Management fees	(26)	(25)
- Management fees (Refer to note 3)	(21)	(22)
- VAT on management fees	(5)	(3)
Capital redeemed	(1 000)	(11 900)
Profit on disposal of financial assets	487	374
Increase/(Decrease) in financial assets	<u>1 704</u>	<u>(9 459)</u>
Revaluation reserve	12 284	4 922
- Adjust to fair value - prior year reversal	(23 985)	(19 063)
- Adjust to fair value - current year	36 269	23 985
	<u>95 787</u>	<u>81 799</u>
7. INVENTORY		
Consumables kennels	22	138
Trading items	8	8
	<u>30</u>	<u>146</u>
8. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES		
SARS - VAT	621	561
Prepayments	52	40
Sundry debtors	1 030	251
Deposits	5	25
Provision for doubtful debts	(271)	(46)
	<u>1 437</u>	<u>831</u>
<i>Maturity profile</i>		
Within one year	1 432	826
More than one year	5	5
	<u>1 437</u>	<u>831</u>

Fair value of trade and other receivables

The carrying value approximates the fair value because of the short period to maturity of these instruments.

Collateral

The association holds no collateral over trade and other receivables.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

9. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES	2024	2023
	R '000	R '000
Trade payables	1 317	1 316
Other payables	865	841
	<u>2 182</u>	<u>2 157</u>
<i>Maturity profile</i>		
Within one year	2 182	2 157
One to two years	-	-
	<u>2 182</u>	<u>2 157</u>

Fair value of trade & other payables

The carrying value approximates the fair value because of the short period to settlement of these obligations.

Leave pay provision

The leave pay provision which is included in other payables was based on 18% (2023 : 18%) of the total obligation of R1 390 643 (2023 : R1 262 225) for the year.

10. DONATIONS RECEIVED AND INCOME FROM TRUSTS

Included in income from Charitable Trusts is an amount of R 142 500 (2023 : R 121 500) from the John & Esther Ellerman Trust

Included in Donations Direct is a grant of R Nil (2023 : R NIL) from the National Lotteries Commission.

11. DONATIONS-IN-KIND	2024	2023
	R '000	R '000
Donations-in-Kind : Income	931	741
Goods relate to Kennel Expenses	578	600
Goods relate to Veterinary Expenses	353	141
Goods & services relate to Marketing Activities	-	-

12. MEMBERSHIP	2024	2023
	#	#
Annual	236	230
Life	30	26
	<u>206</u>	<u>204</u>