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Report of the Trustees

for the year ended 31 March 2024

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2024. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charity's trust deed, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland published on 16 July 2014.



Objectives and activities for the public benefit

The purposes of Save the Rhino International (SRI) are the advancement of the conservation of species of wildlife that are in danger of extinction in the wild state particularly (but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing) as this relates to the preservation of the black rhinoceros, white rhinoceros, the Greater one-horned rhinoceros, the Javan rhinoceros and the Sumatran rhinoceros, which species (hereinafter referred to as "the Rhinoceros species") are in danger of extinction in the wild state.

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit under Section 17 (5) of the 2011 Charities Act when reviewing the Trust's aims and objectives, in planning future activities, and setting the grant-making policy for the year.

Vision

All five rhino species thriving in the wild for future generations

Mission

Collaborating with partners to support endangered rhinos in Africa and Asia

Strategic focus

SRI focuses on Key 1 and Key 2 populations of *Critically Endangered* rhinos (currently black, Sumatran and Javan), with the long-term aim of the species being down-listed to a lower category of threat in the IUCN Red List

Strategic activities

SRI maintains close relations with its field partners to maximise its technical knowledge and ability to ensure that resources are delivered to the points of greatest need; actively raises funds to disburse to field programmes; facilitates international collaboration and the dissemination of best practice; and actively communicates with key audiences to promote understanding of and support for rhino conservation.

Strategic KPI

All five species of rhino at a lesser category of threat than *Critically Endangered*

1 Protection, law enforcement, investigations, and intelligence.

To protect rhinos through law-enforcement activities at site level, and support intelligence gathering and analysis to pre-empt and prosecute poaching and trafficking of rhino products

2 Biological management. To implement effective biological and ecological management and monitoring of rhino populations and their habitats to achieve optimum population growth rates

3 Stopping illegal markets. To reduce trade in illegal rhino products via better law enforcement in consumer countries and promoting behaviour change by consumers and the closure of markets encouraging poaching

4 Capacity building. To ensure that rhino conservation professionals are appropriately skilled and trained

5 Coordination. To improve coordination within and between rhino range state conservation agencies and professionals

6 Societal relevance. To engage with multiple stakeholders in rhino range states in accordance with the equity triangle of recognition, procedure, and distribution

7 Sustainable, adequate financing. To explore and develop sustainable financing mechanisms and structures to fund priority rhino conservation efforts

Grant-making policy

SRI's funding priorities are clearly explained in the Charity's updated Grant-making Policy (approved at the March 2020 Trustees' meeting) and on the website, together with exclusions and those that are regarded as low priority by SRI.

Grant applicants must complete an application form, available on SRI's website, which is first assessed by the CEO to determine whether the programme or project meets with basic selection criteria. If the project does not match SRI's funding priorities, the CEO informs applicants that they have not been successful. If the application is accepted for consideration, the CEO liaises with the programme or project regarding any additional information required. Proposals are then considered by our Trustees, who meet quarterly. SRI's senior staff read proposals put forward to the Trustees, but ultimately the decision on whether to fund a programme or project is that of the Trustees. It is possible that the Trustees may not reach an immediate decision, but ask for further information or changes to be made, before considering the proposal again at their next quarterly meeting; alternatively, decisions may be made following email discussion.

Generally, grants are made to the named organisations, but occasionally they are made direct to employees, consultants or suppliers appointed by those organisations, to reduce commission charges or transaction fees, i.e., to achieve value for money. Under each key component of our conservation strategy, we fund various activities as described on [page 7](#) onwards.

A review of our achievements and performance

How our grant and research programmes deliver public benefit

In the long-term, the impacts that Save the Rhino hopes to make in 20+ years' time and working in conjunction with other organizations, rather than solely due to SRI's efforts, are that:

1 Protection, law enforcement, investigations, and intelligence:

Rhino poaching and illegal wildlife trafficking decreased; convictions rate increased

2 Biological management: Rhino population growth rate, area of healthy rhino habitat and contiguity of rhino habitat increased

3 Stopping illegal markets: Demand for illegal rhino products decreased; convictions rate increased

4 Capacity building: Human-resource capacity increased

5 Coordination: Decision making and cooperating increased

6 Societal relevance: Stakeholder understanding of and support for rhino conservation increased

7 Sustainable, adequate financing: Amount of available and sustainable funding for rhino conservation and proportion of funds targeted to Key 1 and Key 2 populations increased

Beneficiaries of the Charity's work include rhinos and other species of wildlife that share the same habitat; the protected areas; rangers and other staff members employed by NGOs, community conservancies, private sector or state agencies managing the associated national parks, reserves, conservancies or sanctuaries; scientists and researchers; communities able to participate in site-specific rhino conservation activities; and the wider public worldwide, who value and are concerned about the rich biodiversity of the planet.

Details of grants

During the financial year 2023–24, SRI made grants totalling £3,856,059 to rhino conservation programmes. Please also see [note 15](#) for an analysis of restricted funds received and allocated. 100% of restricted donations or grants are allocated to the specified beneficiary field programme or project.

Protecting viable populations of rhinos in Africa and Asia continues to be our primary focus, receiving 61.9% of our rhino programme grants: the high proportion is not surprising given the poaching crisis. We awarded 14% to biological management and monitoring activities, 0.7% to stopping illegal markets, 20.2% to capacity building, particularly improving ranger welfare conditions, 1.1% to coordination efforts, 1.8% to community engagement and conservation education programmes; and 0.3% to developing sustainable financing for conservation.

For the GBP total awarded to each field programme, please see [page 34](#). Subtotals have been rounded to the nearest pound.

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Protection, law enforcement, investigations and intelligence

Total £2,387,420

Ujung Kulon National Park, Indonesia

£22,987

- We sent grants and donations from a number of donors to support the costs of the Rhino Protection Units, which patrol the Park to look for signs of Javan rhinos (footprints, faeces, mud wallows and browse activity) and also to deter, detect and detain any illegal trespassers within the Park: £4,500 from an anonymous donor; £115 received in miscellaneous donations via our website; \$1,110.26 (including \$259.58 and \$247.70 from Sanctuary); and £5,000 from the Simon Gibson Charitable Trust
- We sent another series of grants to support the costs of the RPPUs in Ujung Kulon NP: £3,835 (£3,000 from the Marjorie Coote Animal Charity Trust; £750 raised by Bethany Hahn; and £85 received in miscellaneous donations via our website); and €10,000 from Wilhelma Zoological and Botanical Garden, Stuttgart
- And £20 from core funds for transfer fees

Way Kambas National Park, Indonesia

£325

- We sent £225 received in miscellaneous donations, to be allocated to the Rhino Protection Unit (RPU) programme in Way Kambas NP in the southeast of Sumatra, home to the Sumatran Rhino Sanctuary. The RPPUs patrol the Park to look for signs of rhinos (spoor, dung, browse, wallows) and also retrieve and destroy any snares they find, and report any illegal activities, e.g. logging
- We sent another £100 received in miscellaneous donations via our website

Association of Private and community Land Rhino Sanctuaries, Kenya – ForRangers

£38,528

- We allocated £6,200 from ForRangers Ultra funds to buy surveillance equipment, to assist Mogwooni's rangers with dealing with security threats. The runners go through Mogwooni Conservancy on the last day of the Ultra
- We awarded £32,328 from funds raised by the 2023 ForRangers Ultra, to pay for surveillance equipment for the rangers working at Lolldaga, Ole Naishu, Mugie, Sosian and Suyian conservancies. It is hoped that, eventually, some of these will become rhino guardians, to expand the rhino range across the Laikipia landscape

Association of Private and community Land Rhino Sanctuaries, Kenya – 51 Degrees Ltd

£16,713

- \$3,638 from the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs via Project UPTICK to help cover the salary of 51 Degrees' Intelligence Assistant
- \$13,925.45 from INL via Project UPTICK to help cover the salary of 51 Degrees' Intelligence Assistant (backdated for a period of months), who analyses intelligence and prepares reports for site managers
- \$1,819 from INL via Project UPTICK to help cover the salary of 51 Degrees' Intelligence Assistant for January 2024, and again in February 2024, who analyses intelligence and prepares reports for site managers

Borana Conservancy, Kenya**£119,543**

- We sent \$2,675 from the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs' (INL) grant for Project UPTICK to cover the cost of intelligence gathering and analysis during March 2023, and another \$4,408 for LoRa WAN and EarthRanger™ support costs during March 2023
- We sent \$2,675 from INL for intelligence gathering and analysis during April 2023, and \$4,408 for LoRa WAN and Earth Ranger support costs during April 2023
- We sent \$2,675 from INL for intelligence gathering and analysis during May 2023, and \$4,408 for LoRa WAN and EarthRanger support costs during May 2023
- \$2,675 from INL paid for intelligence gathering and analysis during June 2023, and another \$4,408 from INL covered LoRa WAN and EarthRanger support costs during June 2023
- Thanks to a grant from the ForRangers Ultra funds, we were able to send £6,200 to buy surveillance equipment, to assist Borana's National Police Reservists with dealing with security threats
- \$2,675 from INL paid for intelligence gathering and analysis during July 2023; another \$2,675 for work during August, and \$1,000 for the biannual site-visit and on-site training by 51 Degrees' Intelligence Assistant
- \$4,408 from INL paid for LoRa WAN and EarthRanger support costs during July 2023; and the same again for August 2023
- \$4,408 from INL paid for LoRa WAN and EarthRanger support costs, and another \$2,675 for intelligence gathering and analysis during September 2023
- £16,000 received from an anonymous donor via Wild Philanthropy will cover the rest of the cost (in addition to Ardea Cares' grant) of a new Land Cruiser for the NPR team
- INL's grant via Project UPTICK covered the following: \$4,408 for LoRa WAN and EarthRanger support costs during October 2023, and the same again in November; \$2,675 for intelligence gathering and analysis during October 2023, and the same again in November
- We sent \$9,025 from USFWS (part of its Y3 grant covering calendar year 2024) to pay for 95 new Moto TRBO digital radios at \$95. Communications are key to effective patrolling, and all radios are linked to the EarthRanger system, so that the ops room can immediately see where each ranger is
- \$4,408 from INL paid for LoRa WAN and EarthRanger support costs during December 2023, and another \$2,675 from INL covered intelligence gathering and analysis during December 2023
- INL's grant via Project UPTICK covered the following: \$4,408 for LoRa WAN and EarthRanger support costs during January 2024, and the same again in February; \$2,675 for intelligence gathering and analysis during January, and the same again in February
- And £117 from core funds for transfer fees

Kenya Wildlife Service, Kenya

£182,262

- We sent \$15,493.80 from the INL 4-year grant for Project UPTICK to pay for ongoing IT support during March 2023 for KWS sites using EarthRanger™: the KWS HQ in Nairobi, nine national parks (Tsavo West, Lake Nakuru, Aberdare, Meru, Ruma, Mt Kenya, Ngulia Rhino Sanctuary, Amboseli and Shimba Hills), and seven regional headquarters (Western, Mountain, Tsavo, Southern, Coastal, Central Rift (Lake Nakuru) and Eastern)
- We sent another \$15,493.80 from INL to pay for ongoing IT support during April 2023 as above
- \$5,148 from INL via Project UPTICK went towards the installation of EarthRanger: \$3,786 for the set-up of an operations room in Ngulia Rhino Sanctuary, within Tsavo West National Park; and \$1,380 to buy computers for KWS Regional Headquarters in Rumuruti and Narok
- We sent \$17,153.85 from INL to pay for ongoing IT support during May 2023 for KWS sites using EarthRanger: the KWS HQ in Nairobi, nine national parks (Tsavo West, Lake Nakuru, Aberdare, Meru, Ruma, Mt Kenya, Ngulia Rhino Sanctuary, Amboseli and Shimba Hills), and seven regional headquarters (Western, Mountain, Tsavo, Southern, Coastal, Central Rift (Lake Nakuru) and Eastern); and \$4,848 for the installation costs of EarthRanger in Ruma NP (\$2,173 for hardware, and \$2,675 for staff time)
- As above, we sent \$17,707.20 from INL to pay for ongoing IT support during May 2023 for KWS sites using EarthRanger
- We sent \$17,707.20 from INL to pay for ongoing IT support during July 2023 for KWS sites using EarthRanger: the KWS HQ in Nairobi, nine national parks (Tsavo West, Lake Nakuru, Aberdare, Meru, Ruma, Mt Kenya, Ngulia Rhino Sanctuary, Amboseli and Shimba Hills), and seven regional headquarters (Western, Mountain, Tsavo, Southern, Coastal, Central Rift (Lake Nakuru) and Eastern)
- We sent \$18,813.90 from INL to pay for ongoing IT support during September 2023 for KWS sites using EarthRanger
- INL's grant for Project UPTICK paid \$18,813.90 for ongoing IT support for Kenya Wildlife Service sites in October 2023, and again in November; and another \$2,675 enabled the finalisation of the installation of the Ops Room in Ruma NP
- \$18,813.90 from INL paid for ongoing IT support during December 2023 for KWS sites using EarthRanger: the KWS HQ in Nairobi, nine national parks (Tsavo West, Lake Nakuru, Aberdare, Meru, Ruma, Mt Kenya, Ngulia Rhino Sanctuary, Amboseli and Shimba Hills), and seven regional headquarters (Western, Mountain, Tsavo, Southern, Coastal, Central Rift (Lake Nakuru) and Eastern)
- We sent \$18,813.90 from INL to pay for ongoing IT support during January 2024, and again in February, for the KWS sites using EarthRanger
- And £154 from core funds for transfer fees

Lewa Wildlife Conservancy, Kenya

£36,560

- We sent \$2,675 from the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs' (INL) grant for Project UPTICK (Uniting Protection, Training and Intelligence in Central Kenya) to cover the cost of intelligence gathering and analysis during March 2023
- \$2,675 from INL for intelligence gathering and analysis during April 2023
- \$2,675 from INL for intelligence gathering and analysis during May 2023
- \$2,675 from INL for intelligence gathering and analysis during June 2023
- \$2,675 from INL for intelligence gathering and analysis during July 2023
- \$2,675 from INL for intelligence gathering and analysis during August 2023, together with another \$1,000 for the biannual site-visit and on-site training by 51 Degrees' Intelligence Assistant sites using EarthRanger: the KWS HQ in Nairobi, nine national parks (Tsavo West, Lake Nakuru, Aberdare, Meru, Ruma, Mt Kenya, Ngulia Rhino Sanctuary, Amboseli and Shimba Hills), and seven regional headquarters (Western, Mountain, Tsavo, Southern, Coastal, Central Rift (Lake Nakuru) and Eastern); and \$18,813.90 for from INL to pay for ongoing IT support during August 2023 for KWS sites
- We also sent \$816 from INL to pay for equipment for the operations room in Shimba Hills NP
- \$18,813.90 from INL paid for ongoing IT support during September 2023 for KWS sites using EarthRanger
- INL's grant for Project UPTICK paid \$18,813.90 for ongoing IT support for Kenya Wildlife Service sites in October 2023, and again in November; and another \$2,675 enabled the finalisation of the installation of the Ops Room in Ruma NP
- \$18,813.90 from INL paid for ongoing IT support during December 2023 for KWS sites using EarthRanger: the KWS HQ in Nairobi, nine national parks (Tsavo West, Lake Nakuru, Aberdare, Meru, Ruma, Mt Kenya, Ngulia Rhino Sanctuary, Amboseli and Shimba Hills), and seven regional headquarters (Western, Mountain, Tsavo, Southern, Coastal, Central Rift (Lake Nakuru) and Eastern)
- We sent \$18,813.90 from INL to pay for ongoing IT support during January 2024, and again in February, for the KWS sites using EarthRanger
- And £154 from core funds for transfer fees
- \$2,675 from INL for intelligence gathering and analysis during September 2023
- \$2,675 from INL paid for intelligence gathering and analysis during October 2023, and again in November
- \$2,675 from INL paid for intelligence gathering and analysis during December 2023
- We sent €2,500 from Rotterdam Zoo, together with \$10,000 from the Anna Merz Rhino Trust, to help cover the annual operating costs of its K9 unit
- \$2,675 from INL for intelligence gathering and analysis during January 2024, and again in February
- And £137 from core funds for transfer fees

Ol Jogi Conservancy, Kenya

£116,194

- USFWS Rhino and Tiger Conservation Fund awarded extra grants in 2023, in recognition of the increased costs as a result of the war in Ukraine: food and fuel prices have particularly suffered. \$3,463.57 (from a total additional grant of \$29,091.89) will cover the increased cost of a new Landcruiser for the general security team, since we submitted the original 5-year proposal and budget in 2021. Another \$4,335.16 will pay for bush modifications for the new Landcruiser
- Once Ol Jogi had renewed its registration in US government records, we were able to reimburse the Conservancy for costs incurred via Project UPTICK during the 6-month period October 2022 to March 2023: \$17,050 from INL for intelligence gathering and analysis; and \$26,448 for LoRa WAN and EarthRanger™ support costs during the 6-month period October 2022 to March 2023
- We then resumed normal monthly reimbursements: \$2,675 from INL for intelligence gathering and analysis, and \$4,408 from INL for LoRa WAN and EarthRanger support costs during April 2023
- We sent \$2,675 from INL for intelligence gathering and analysis during May 2023 and another \$4,408 for LoRa WAN and EarthRanger support costs during May 2023
- We sent €2,500 from Rotterdam Zoo to pay for Bennie van Zyl, who runs the K9 unit in North Luangwa National Park in Zambia, to visit Ol Jogi to review its K9 unit: to undertake an assessment of the unit, develop new Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) and protocols, and provide some recommendations and training etc.. Any surplus will be used to procure new equipment for the unit
- \$2,675 from INL paid for intelligence gathering and analysis, and another \$4,408 paid for LoRa WAN and EarthRanger support costs during June 2023
- \$2,675 from INL paid for intelligence gathering and analysis during July 2023
- \$2,675 from INL for intelligence gathering and analysis during August 2023; \$1,000 for the biannual site-visit and on-site training by 51 Degrees' Intelligence Assistant, and another \$4,408 for LoRa WAN and EarthRanger support costs during September 2023
- WAN and EarthRanger support during June 2023
- £6,200 from funds raised by the ForRangers Ultra runners paid for surveillance equipment, to assist Ol Jogi's National Police Reservists in dealing with security threats
- \$2,675 from INL paid for intelligence gathering and analysis, and another \$4,408 for LoRa WAN and EarthRanger support costs during October 2023
- \$2,675 from INL paid for intelligence gathering and analysis, \$1,000 for the biannual site-visit and on-site training by 51 Degrees' Intelligence Assistant, and another \$4,408 for LoRa WAN and EarthRanger support costs during November 2023
- \$4,408 from INL paid for LoRa WAN and EarthRanger support costs, and another \$2,675 for intelligence gathering and analysis during December 2023
- INL's grant via Project UPTICK paid \$4,408 for LoRa WAN and EarthRanger support costs during October 2023, and again in November; and \$2,675 for intelligence gathering and analysis during November 2023
- \$4,408 from INL paid for LoRa WAN and EarthRanger support costs during December 2023, and another \$2,675 paid for intelligence gathering and analysis during December 2023
- We sent \$4,850 from the Anna Merz Rhino Trust for new LoRa sensors for Ol Jogi
- INL's grant via Project UPTICK covered the following: \$4,408 for LoRa WAN and EarthRanger support costs during January 2024, and the same again in February; \$2,675 for intelligence gathering and analysis during January, and the same again in February
- And £101 from core funds for transfer fees

Ol Pejeta Conservancy, Kenya

£30,478

- We sent \$2,675 from the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs' (INL) grant for Project UPTICK to cover the cost of intelligence gathering and analysis during March 2023
- \$2,675 from INL for intelligence gathering and analysis during April 2023 as above
- \$2,675 from INL for intelligence gathering and analysis during May 2023
- \$2,675 from INL for intelligence gathering and analysis during June 2023
- \$2,675 from INL for intelligence gathering and analysis during July 2023
- \$2,675 from INL for intelligence gathering and analysis during August 2023; \$1,000 for the biannual site-visit and on-site training; and another \$2,675 for intelligence gathering and analysis during September 2023
- INL's grant via Project UPTICK paid \$2,675 for intelligence gathering and analysis during October 2023, and again in November
- \$2,675 from INL paid for intelligence gathering and analysis during December 2023
- \$2,675 from INL paid for intelligence gathering and analysis during January 2024, and again in February 2024
- \$5,000 raised by the 2023 ForRangers Ultra runners was sent to buy a motorcycle (\$4,100) for OPC's wildlife rangers, 5 new batteries for rangers' radios (\$400) and \$500 for OPC's project administration
- And £99 from core funds for transfer fees

**Ministry of Environment,
Forestry and Tourism, Namibia**
£183,871

- We paid \$7.13 from our own core funds to pay Lazaret Upholstery for new matting for the Rhino Recovery Vehicle, used during all rhino ops
- The 5-year grant from US Fish & Wildlife Service's Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Fund enabled a number of payments on the Ministry's behalf: \$37,389.10 to pay for 80 sealed drums of JetA-1 fuel for the helicopter and 15 sealed drums of AvGas for the fixed-wing used in annual rhino dehorning operations; \$351.59 to pay Pupkewitz for vehicle service and spare parts; and \$1,103.39 paid for a fuel advance for the Rhino Recovery Vehicle used in annual rhino operations
- We paid \$839.25 (N\$ 15,210) from USFWS to pay for accommodation for a member of NamPol tasked with the security of the rhino horns removed during annual dehorning operations, and \$1,980.78 (N\$ 35,911.70) for repairs to the rhino truck before the upcoming rhino operations in Etosha NP
- We sent \$1,630.21 (equivalent of N\$ 30,000) from USFWS to advance funds to Piet Beytell, the National Rhino Coordinator, for fuel for the Rhino Recovery Vehicle used during annual rhino dehorning operations
- We sent \$24,944 awarded by our sister organization, Save the Rhino International Inc., to pay for an intelligence and informants operation in the Kunene and Erongo Regions during the period 1 July 2023 to 31 March 2024
- And we sent \$833.90 from USFWS funds to pay Waltons Namibia N\$14,646.59 for lab equipment used during rhino immobilizations
- \$1,901.46 from USFWS for repairs to the rhino truck before the rhino operations taking place in Etosha NP
- \$480.79 from USFWS to pay for repairs to a generator used during annual rhino operations, to power the chainsaw used to dehorn rhinos, the fridge used to store genetic samples etc.
- \$1,649.30 (N\$ 30,000 equivalent) from USFWS funds to pay for a fuel advance for the Rhino Recovery Vehicle used in annual rhino operations
- \$5,301.64 from USFWS to pay Etzold Auto Repairs for repairs/spare parts/labour etc. for the Rhino Recovery Vehicle used during annual rhino operations
- \$1,833.25 from USFWS to pay the Namibia Carnivore Research Trust for consultants' daily fees, travel and subsistence while working on the Ministry's Prediction Model, which aims to highlight potential poaching-risk areas
- \$1,601.38 from USFWS funds was sent to Piet Beytell as an advance for fuel for the Rhino Recovery Vehicle during annual rhino operations scheduled for October and November 2023
- \$28,397.49 from USFWS paid Namibia Helicopter Services for chopper fuel used during September to October 2023 operations
- Thanks to Year 2 of the 5-year grant from the US Fish & Wildlife Service, we were able to make multiple payments on behalf of MEFT for law-enforcement-related activities: \$1,632.01 to National Rhino Coordinator Piet Beytell for fuel for the Rhino Recovery Vehicle during annual rhino operations in November 2023; \$10,652.97 to pay MES Investments the balance of the cost of constructing the rhino cow and calf release camp within Etosha NP; another \$2,194.97 for fuel for the Rhino Recovery Vehicle used during annual rhino dehorning operations; \$290.44 to pay Radio Electronics for a Moto TRBO radio) single charger for the Rhino Recovery Vehicle; \$569.21 to pay Etzold Auto Repairs for labour and spare parts for a service of the Rhino Recovery Vehicle; \$9,024.67 to pay Commercial Vehicles WHK for services of the trucks used in annual rhino operations; \$1,900.44 to pay Autohaus T/A Truck and Bus for services of the trucks used in annual rhino operations; \$7,795.52 from USFWS to pay Namibia Helicopter Services for chopper hours during annual rhino operations; \$7,000 to pay DMP Statistical Solutions for work on the modelling software to predict poaching hotspots; \$1,430.89 to pay Cymot for a chainsaw, blades, and fridge in which to store genetic samples collected during annual rhino ops; \$4,748.24 to pay Puma Energy for 10 x 200-litre drums of Avgas; \$11,388.86 to pay Skycore Aviation for labour and spare parts (propeller, radar altimeter) for the Ministry's fixed-wing aircraft used during annual rhino ops; \$1,078.98 to pay Jowes Oceania for a new seat cover for the MEFT helicopter used during annual rhino ops; \$28,600.01 to pay Namibia Helicopter Services for chopper hours for annual rhino dehorning operations; and \$8,580 from to pay Intricode Solutions for tracking devices to predict poaching hotspots
- \$25,000 (the second instalment from the total grant of \$49,944 from Save the Rhino International Inc.) was sent to pay for an intelligence operation in the Kunene and Erongo Regions during the period 1 April to 31 December 2024
- £127.98 from the legacy from Ania Wanda Wasilewski paid for accommodation for four members of MEFT staff while on rhino operations
- And £598 from core funds for transfer fees

**Monitoring black rhinos
remains crucial for their
long-term recovery.**

Obtaining regular and accurate population information informs key management decisions.



Hluhluwe-iMfolozi

Park, South Africa

£188,852

- We sent funding from a number of donors to cover a range of law-enforcement-related equipment: €3,750 from SafariPark Beekse Bergen; €3,000 from Zoo Boissière de la du Doré; €15,400 (from the total grant of €15,900) from Zoo Zlin; and €2,000 from Parco Natura Viva and Fondazione A.R.C.A. These funds will be spent on camera traps and setup, including the associated infrastructure; on generator repairs and new portable generators, together with general electrical repairs and maintenance; on fence materials, including energisers, poles, polywire electrics and tools; and ration packs for field rangers on camping deployments
- At the same time, we sent over funds received in sterling: £1,000 from the Betty Lawes Foundation; £400 from Chessington World of Adventure; £12,420.22 raised by our Save KZN Rhinos Appeal; and £1,000 from Richard Hollington. As with the euro grant, the funds will be spent on law-enforcement-related equipment; the remainder will be used to cover emergency needs
- We sent the remaining €500 from the total grant of €15,900 received in February 2023 from Zoo Zlin, to be used as needed for anti-poaching work, rhino-monitoring or ranger welfare. To this we added €4,000 from Parc de Lunaret-Zoo de Montpellier, and €15,000 from Réserve Africaine de Sigean
- An additional grant of \$29,837 from USFWS, in addition to its previous grant for work in the Park during 2023, was sent to buy tyres for the vehicles operating within the Park, as EKZNW's budgets have been further strained by the rising prices of fuel and supplies generally
- We sent \$32,000 (from the \$50,000 total grant) from Ardea Cares, to improve responses to poaching incidents. c. \$29,611 will be used to renovate and upgrade twin safari tents for SAPS officers based at the TACJOC. The remaining \$2,389 is for Wildlife ACT's administration costs in managing the implementation of this project. Having a fully operational Tactical Joint Operations Command (TACJOC, staffed by SAPS) adjacent to Nerve Centre (staffed by EKZNW), in HiP will facilitate the effective integration of responses to wildlife-crime incidents specifically in HiP and for 10 other rhino reserves in KZN
- We sent \$6,637.66 from Ardea Cares' grant, and another \$1,467.01 from core funds, to improve the accommodation provided for SAPS members at the TACJOC in HiP, specifically to pay CJ D'Offay Plumbing: to remove, supply and install existing collapsed tank with new reinforced calcamite tank; connect to overflow from black and grey water pipes; brick up and install 2x manhole covers; connect overflow of new tank to new emergency soak-away; and install existing submersible pump. All manholes will be exposed high enough, so no storm water can enter chambers. As an extra measure a bund wall will be built to further ensure no water enters the manholes. Another \$5,596.32 from Ardea Cares paid Parkhomes Modular Units for air-conditioning/heating units x 6, plus the electrical wiring needed, for the TACJOC
- \$2,176.12 from Ardea Cares was used to pay Pietermaritzburg Electrical for solar lights and electicals for the helipads; and \$2,287.11 from Ardea Cares paid NiteCore SA for 100 x helicopter landing beacons, to facilitate night-time deployments in response to reported incursions
- \$1,302.79 from Ardea Cares paid Onsite Computers for a laptop and associated software for a data analyst to monitor and evaluate responses to incidents within the Park
- We sent £8,180.69 raised by Bradley Schroder, supported by Greg Canning, via the "Running Rhinos" challenge, that saw him running seven marathons in seven continents in rhino costume. Part of the funds (\$6,725) will be used to cover aerial surveillance costs during 2024; the rest will be used for general purposes as needed in the Park, together with other donations as follows: £500 from Ansie Earle; £750 from Andrew Mackay; and £1,071.50 received in miscellaneous donations via our website
- We sent \$37,000 from the Woodtiger Fund for Y2 of the 3-year \$97,000 project entitled: "Increasing the effectiveness of Hluhluwe-iMfolozi Park's K9 Unit". These funds will be used to pay for: the salary of the K9 Unit Coordinator; ongoing training of dogs and handlers; maintaining the K9 unit vehicle; replacing vehicle tires as necessary; maintaining the K9 unit's camp; purchasing veterinary supplies as needed; providing and replacing equipment; and administering and reporting on the project
- \$23,291.10 from USFWS (part of its Y3 grant covering calendar year 2024) was sent to pay for tyres and repairs for vehicles deployed throughout the five Sections of the Park, as well as for miscellaneous spares and repairs to the Park's equipment items
- We sent \$6,725 from the Anna Merz Rhino Trust towards the aerial surveillance costs of the Savannah S light aircraft during 2024
- A grant of £7,068.04 from Colchester Zoo – Action for the Wild, will pay for: repairs to motorbikes (£1,340.21) and quadbikes (£1,340.21); high-lift jacks (£1,298.97); mobile air compressors (£346.39); repairs to or replacements of vehicle seat covers (£1,010.31); and new Landcruiser pick-up canopies (£1,731.96)
- And £165 from core funds for transfer fees

KPMG, South Africa**£286,089**

- We paid £1,326.25 from core funds (£1,579.50 inc. VAT) to pay for the design of a case review for Project Blood Orange, to be circulated to stakeholders and to those who registered for the webinars held in March 2023, to share the key lessons learned to-date from the follow-the-money investigation
- We paid a total of \$134,429.19, thanks to a donor who wishes to remain anonymous, to pay KPMG for its work on Project Blood Orange, the follow-the-money investigation into a South African rhino horn poaching and trafficking syndicate
- \$1,242.05 from an anonymous donor paid the invoice from Accountancy Management Services Ltd for the Project audit for the IWTCF grant
- We sent a series of grants to pay KPMG for its work during July to September 2023 on Project Blood Orange 1.0: the final \$16,660.88 remaining from the anonymous donor's grant of \$150,000; \$75,000 received from Ardea Cares; and \$75,000 from the Woodtiger Fund's total grant of \$150,000
- We sent £5,000 from The Mark Leonard Trust towards continuing work on Project Blood Orange; to help cover costs incurred during the period July to September 2023
- We sent \$50,000 from a grant from Ardea Cares, and \$849.66 from our own core funds, to pay for continuing on Project Blood Orange 1.0 during the period July to December 2023 inclusive
- And £82 from core funds for transfer fees

uMkhuze Game Reserve, South Africa**£20,782**

- We forwarded €10,188 from Wildlands Adventure Zoo Emmen, to pay for law-enforcement remote monitoring systems: R51,000 for FLIR Latitude 9.2 VMS remote camera monitoring software to update 2 x FLIR remote live stream cameras; R70,000 for 200 x 6V lead acid batteries for camera traps; R14,000 for 200 x rechargeable batteries; R4,050 for 3 x smart battery chargers; and R62,700 for management hardware required for the continued upkeep and maintenance of the Smart Park Network, including a WiFi router, touch screen and server cabinet. With restrictions on recruiting and training more rangers, uMkhuze makes excellent use of technology to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of its ranger force, but the technology needs regular maintenance and updating
- We sent \$8,476.50 (from the total additional grant from USFWS of \$14,143) to pay for five extra sets of tyres for the Reserve's vehicles
- €1,840.05 from core funds was awarded to cover the salary of the Logistical Support Officer for uMkhuze Game Reserve, until another funder's grant begins in October 2023. A critical component of uMkhuze's effort to develop and maintain its objective as becoming one of the leading Smart Park implementers, is the need for technical capacity to support management in this development
- We sent \$4,450.12 from USFWS (part of its Y3 grant covering calendar year 2024) to pay for tyres for vehicles deployed throughout the Reserve
- And £33 from core funds for transfer fees

**North Luangwa Conservation
Programme, Zambia**

£1,132,228

- We forwarded \$374,575 from Wildcat Foundation's Y1 grant towards law-enforcement activities in North Luangwa National Park: salaries for Village Game Scouts and the Strategic Law-Enforcement Technical Advisor; training; incentives for excellent performance; vehicle fuel maintenance; and aerial surveillance (Cessna fixed-wing aircraft and helicopter)
- We sent \$300,000 from the Wildcat Foundation to help cover the cost of law-enforcement activities in North Luangwa National Park as above
- We sent \$100,000 from Wildcat Foundation towards law-enforcement activities in North Luangwa National Park as above
- A grant of \$12,500 from the Anna Merz Rhino Trust was allocated to NLCP's fuel and diesel requirements: specifically, through the provision of vehicle fuel for the Rhino Monitoring Unit to carry out vital monitoring patrols in the Rhino Conservation Area (RCA) for the full 2024 calendar year
- We sent a total of \$625,000 from the Wildcat Foundation towards law-enforcement activities in North Luangwa National Park: salaries for Village Game Scouts and the Strategic Law-Enforcement Technical Advisor; training; incentives for excellent performance; vehicle fuel maintenance; and aerial surveillance (Cessna fixed-wing aircraft and helicopter)
- And £280 from core funds for transfer fees

**Lowveld Rhino
Trust, Zimbabwe**

£12,008

- We arranged for the delivery of \$5,000 from the Anna Merz Rhino Trust, and £8,000 (£7,857.73 from the International Rhino Foundation, and £142.27 from miscellaneous restricted donations via our website) for the Lowveld Rhino Law-Enforcement Task Force (LRLETF), which operates to integrate intelligence to prevent rhino poaching and improve prosecutions. It is independently managed at an interface with the Zimbabwe Republic Police, supported financially and logistically by a consortium of support agencies

Biological management

Total £540,375

Indian Rhino Vision 2.0, India	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ €2,500 from Rotterdam Zoo for Greater one-horned rhino conservation efforts was allocated to habitat restoration in Manas NP in Assam
£16,186	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ €5,000 from Parc animalier et botanique de Branféré, and \$12,000 from the Scott and Jessica McClintock Foundation, was sent to help cover the remaining unfunded needs of habitat maintenance work in Manas NP; any remaining funds will be allocated to the Wildlife Crime Training Courses ■ And £18 from core funds for transfer fees
Ujung Kulon National Park, Indonesia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ We sent £261 received in miscellaneous donations via our website, together with \$2,538.37 from Sanctuary, to be allocated to Arenga palm removal. This invasive plant chokes out the indigenous plants found in Ujung Kulon NP that are eaten by the Critically Endangered Javan rhino; by increasing the amount of browse available, conservationists are effectively increasing the carrying capacity of the Park ■ And £9 from core funds for transfer fees
£2,310	
Way Kambas National Park, Indonesia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ We were able to send £19,903.81 raised by the "Room to rhino" appeal for Way Kambas NP, held during November and December 2023, to be used for the reafforestation project that will restore degraded habitat in and around the Park, as well as provide fodder for the breeding population of rhinos in the Sumatran Rhino Sanctuary ■ And £18 from core funds for transfer fees
£19,922	
Sumatran Rhino Sanctuary, Indonesia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ We sent grants from a number of sources to the Sumatran Rhino Sanctuary, located in Way Kambas NP in southern Sumatra, Indonesia, which is home to a captive breeding population of Sumatran rhinos. This comprised: £2,322.32 from West Midland Safari Park; £987.12 received in miscellaneous donations via our website; €8,000 from Odense Zoo; €2,422.50 from Zoo Hodin; and €260 from Tallinn Zoo – Fondation Lutreola ■ €12,805 from Tallinn Zoo – Fondation Lutreola was sent to help cover Sanctuary running costs ■ We sent £416 received in miscellaneous donations via our website, and £3,500 from West Midland Safari Park, to help cover Sanctuary running costs ■ We sent €52,800 from Wilhelma Zoological and Botanical Garden, Stuttgart, and another €3,000 from Dublin Zoo, to help cover the running costs of the Sanctuary, where two Sumatran rhino calves were born in late 2023 ■ And £27 from core funds for transfer fees
£78,499	
Association of Private and community Land Rhino Sanctuaries, Kenya – Administrator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ We sent \$153.47, from the grant of \$25,000 from the Donald and Maureen Green Foundation, to reimburse the AfRSG's Scientific Officer, Dr Sam Ferreira, for miscellaneous costs associated with his participation in workshop to develop a new habitat-assessment protocol, to inform rhino range expansion in Kenya ■ And £11 from core funds for transfer fees
£132	

**Borana Conservancy,
Kenya**

£47,701

- \$30,500 (from the total grant of \$75,000) received from Ardea Cares was sent to help cover Borana's continual rhino-monitoring programme: \$27,000 for an Electric Polaris for rhino monitoring scouts; and \$3,500 for 10 x pairs of binoculars for the monitors
- A further grant from USFWS for Y2 of its 5-year grant was allocated as follows: \$2,250 from USFWS for the predator-proof fence bordering Ngare Ndare to mitigate Human-Wildlife-Conflict. Since we submitted our original proposal to USFWS in 2021, the price has now increased to \$13.75/metre (including materials and labour), x 3,000 meters. \$4,500 from USFWS for the repair of Gaitano dam. Fuel prices have increased from Kes 110/litre in January 2022 to Kes 165/litre in January 2023, i.e. a 50% increase in fuel costs. Fuel is generally 30% of the cost of repairing dams, which takes the original quote of \$15,000 per dam to \$19,500, including hire of bulldozer, diesel, delivery of bulldozer to site and back, and driver's subsistence allowance. Another \$20,000 will pay for the creation of an additional borehole, since the rains have been enough for grass cover but not to replenish dams. These funds will cover the drilling, and Borana will seek matching funds for the pumps and troughs
- A grant of \$19,200 from our sister organisation, SRI Inc., will pay for the construction of 5,300m of pipeline and four additional waterpoints in several locations across Borana. This will expand the habitat available for wildlife across the Conservancy, and improve resilience in times of drought
- Will Taylor very kindly donated £8,000, as a birthday present for a friend. In response, Borana invited the friend to name a 3-year-old black rhino calf, born to rhino Lou: the calf is now named Stevie. The funds will help cover Borana's ongoing rhino-monitoring costs, as will another £34 received in miscellaneous donations via our website
- And £33 from core funds for transfer fees

**Lewa Wildlife
Conservancy, Kenya**

£38,928

- An additional grant of \$35,787.55 from USFWS's Rhino and Tiger Conservation Fund will help cover the biological management and monitoring of its black and white rhino populations during 2023. \$2,354.55 to cover the increased cost of training rhino monitors. \$2,000 to cover the increased cost of buying SMART camera traps, since we submitted the original 5-year proposal and budget in 2021. \$14,528 to cover the increased cost of rhino operations (ear-notching and collaring rhinos), since we submitted the original 5-year proposal and budget. And \$16,905 to cover the increased cost of creating the elephant inclusion zones. Fencing has increased from \$7.42/meter to \$12.25/meter due to the increased cost of labour and materials
- We sent \$2,205 from USFWS (part of its Y3 grant covering calendar year 2024) to pay for training for rhino monitors working in the Lewa-Borana Landscape; another \$5,600.92 from USFWS to pay for repairs to Dam Kubwa, prior to the onset of the dry season and \$5,194 from USFWS to pay for fencing for the elephant-exclusion zones designed to allow preferred rhino browse to recover
- And £14 from core funds for transfer fees

**Ol Jogi
Conservancy, Kenya**

£8,215

- \$330 from the National Geographic Society's grant reimbursed Jamie Gaymer for the venue costs of a meeting on the black rhino eye project with personnel from the Wildlife Research and Training Institute in Kenya. Another \$1,607.98 paid for the costs (personnel and transport) of the PIC-MAT workshop held in January 2023, which involved participants from Kenya's Wildlife and Research Institute
- A total of €5,260 from Erlebnis Zoo Hannover was sent to Ol Jogi to help pay for LoRa WAN sensors.
- We sent £2,105.68 from donations restricted for the APLRS Emergency Fund, to reimburse Ol Jogi for 50% of the veterinary costs incurred in treating black rhinos during the period April 2022 to March 2023.
- And £40 from core funds for transfer fees

**Ol Pejeta
Conservancy, Kenya**
£1,994

- We sent £1,979.78 from donations restricted for the APLRS Emergency Fund, to reimburse Ol Pejeta for 50% of the veterinary costs incurred in treating black rhinos during the period April 2022 to March 2023. Six animals required interventions.
- And £14 from core funds for transfer fees

**Ministry of Environment,
Forestry and Tourism, Namibia**
£146,999

- We sent £876.03 (N\$19,574) from the Ania Wanda Wasilewski legacy to pay Cymot for a generator and battery for Mangetti NP to pump water for the Park's rhinos
- We sent \$13,266.96 from USFWS to pay for 31 x LoRa rhino horn implants to aid rhino tracking in Namibian national parks
- \$2,806.12 from USFWS paid for board and accommodation for 12 people carrying out the 2023 block count (a method of surveying an area to determine how many rhinos, or other species) in Etosha National Park.
- \$103,983.29 from USFWS paid Namibia Helicopter Services for chopper time and fuel while carrying out the block count in Etosha NP during August. The MEFT does a block count every 2 years in order to obtain accurate estimates of the Park's black and white rhino populations, which then inform management decisions, e.g. whether to translocate animals in or out of particular areas
- \$907.20 from USFWS funds paid wildlife veterinarian Dr Rob Jackson for assistance during annual rhino operations
- \$395.42 from USFWS was used to reimburse veterinarian Dr Axel Hartmann for fuel and subsistence incurred during recent rhino operations in Etosha NP
- \$3,103.38 from USFWS paid Africa Wide Veterinary Solutions for seven days of vet fees, flights from Hoedspruit, accommodation while in Namibia, and darts used to anaesthetise rhinos during annual dehorning operations
- \$5,896.91 from USFWS was sent to pay for construction materials (roof, doors, posts and labour) for a black rhino cow-and-calf release camp in Etosha NP.
- Thanks to Year 2 of the 5-year grant from the US Fish & Wildlife Service, we were able to make multiple payments on behalf of MEFT for rhino-monitoring and -management activities: \$590.35 to pay for laboratory supplies for rhino samples (pipettes, sample tubes, cryoboxes etc.); \$1,000.92 to pay Pukewitz Nissan for repairs and spare parts for the Rhino Recovery Vehicle used for rhino operations in the field; \$3,866 to pay TyrePro for five new tyres for the truck used to translocate rhinos between sites; \$6,239.10 to pay veterinarian Dr Markus Hofmeyr for assistance during dehorning operations in the Kunene Region, together with international flights from South Africa and car hire in Namibia; \$220.69 to pay Marey Upholstery for repairs to the canvas seats and awning in the Rhino Recovery Vehicle used during rhino operations; \$3,688.17 to pay IGL Afrox for oxygen used during rhino immobilisations; \$1,980.32 to pay Swavet for drugs (Thianil/Trexonil) used during rhino immobilisations; \$2,661.34 to pay Pukewitz Megabuild for miscellaneous equipment and supplies used during annual dehorning operations; \$23,053.74 to pay Africa Wildlife Tracking for a range of iridium satellite collars, horn implants and service fees, to aid the monitoring of rhinos, particularly in poaching hotspots and/or post-translocation; \$3,811.05 to pay Swavet for microchips to be implanted into rhinos during annual operations; and \$185.55 from USFWS to pay Ferdinand Tjombe Consultancy for assistance in obtaining a business visa for veterinarian Dr Markus Hofmeyr
- We used £710.84 from the legacy from Ania Wanda Wasilewski to pay Dimension Data Namibia for the configuration of the rhino database desktop
- \$2,890.20 from USFWS was used to pay veterinarian Dr Markus Hofmeyr for assistance during dehorning operations, together with international flights from South Africa and car hire in Namibia, and a further \$498.03 from USFWS paid IGL Afrox for oxygen used during rhino immobilisations
- And £327 from core funds for transfer fees

Save the Rhino Trust, Namibia
£94,946

- \$15,200 (from a total additional grant of \$30,000 for 2023 from USFWS) was sent to cover the increased cost of fuel since we submitted the original 5-year proposal and budget in 2021. SRT has 13 vehicles that are used by staff to deploy into the field, for staff welfare trips for food shopping and hospital visits, and for general administration purposes in Swakopmund
- We sent a series of grants to Save the Rhino Trust to pay for increased water provision for the Kunene Region's black rhinos: US \$5,000 from the Reid Burns Foundation; £2,500 from the Betty Lawes Foundation; £1,000 from Paddy Walker/the J Leon Group; £913.04 received in miscellaneous donations; and €1,200 from Zoo Krefeld. SRT had originally considered digging a new borehole, but in the event, the Ministry advised that it did not want to go ahead with artificial boreholes, but rather to dig out natural springs that had become clogged up, to allow the water to flow again.
- We sent £3,087.76 (including funds raised by Berry White via the Solstice party, and £435.76 raised by Kenneth Donaldson via the Desert Ultra) for SRT; to be used for security operations in December 2023/January 2024
- We sent \$35,653.33 from USFWS (part of its Y3 grant covering calendar year 2024) to help pay for ongoing rhino monitoring patrols done by SRT's trackers: \$15,653.33 for their salaries, and \$20,000 for vehicle fuel
- £11,311.77 (which includes £5,250 from the November dinner via the sale of three auction lots, £903.56 received from Andy and Mamju Banerjee, funds raised through Kenneth Donaldson's participation in the Desert Ultra, and Berry White's Mucky Weekend, as well as other miscellaneous restricted donations) were allocated to rations, vehicle fuel and any other urgent need
- \$20,000 from the Anna Merz Rhino Trust, together with another \$94.36 received in miscellaneous donations, was sent to help pay for the purchase of a new vehicle for SRT's rhino tracking teams; the remainder will come from trade in of one of its old vehicles
- A grant of €17,500 from Zoo Krefeld was sent to pay for SRT's Chief Operating Officer, Andrew Malherbe, to gain his Private Pilot's Licence so SRT can support the Rhino Rangers in Nyae Nyae Conservancy, plus aerial capacity will aid both the Kunene Region and Nyae Nyae Conservancy
- And £102 from core funds for transfer fees

Hluhluwe-iMfolozi Park, South Africa
£26,734

- We sent a total of €31,250, received from several donors (€5,000 from Safari de Peaugres, €3,000 from Zoo de la Boissière du Doré, €3,000 from Parco Natura Viva and Fondazione A.R.C.A, €10,000 from Kiezebrink Focus on Food, and €10,250 from Stichting Wildlife) to be allocated to a new, 3-year, rhino-monitoring project in Hluhluwe-iMfolozi Park. Y1 costs are employing two extra rhino monitors, to create a team of three; providing fuel for the vehicles that will deploy them throughout the Park; buying 20 x VHF tracking pods, to be fitted to black rhinos, for improved monitoring in priority areas; and renovating or building accommodation for the monitors at a rhino monitoring base camp
- And £11 from core funds for transfer fees

uMkhuz Game Reserve, South Africa
£6,074

- We sent £5,650 from West Midland SP and another £412.50 received in miscellaneous donations, to help cover rhino monitors' salary during 2024
- And £11 from core funds for transfer fees

North Luangwa Conservation Programme, Zambia
£35,716

- We sent a series of grants to help cover black rhino monitoring costs (salaries, rations, uniforms, transport costs etc.) in North Luangwa National Park: £25,000 from The Estate of Betty and Nancy Liebert; £6,235.65 raised by the dinner held in February 2022 in Cambridge; and £4,460.81 received in miscellaneous donations via our website, and raised by the London Marathon 2022 and 2023 teams
- And £20 from core funds for transfer fees

**Lowveld Rhino Trust,
Zimbabwe**

£16,019

- We were pleased to award \$12,000, thanks to a grant from the Scott and Jessica McClintock Foundation, to be used to help cover general rhino monitoring costs in Bubye Valley Conservancy: salaries, rations, and vehicle fuel and maintenance
- €7,000 from Dublin Zoo was awarded, split as follows: €3,000 towards the salary of the Rhino Operations Coordinator (Lovemore Mungwashu) and €4,000 towards LRT's general office running costs (legal advice, accounting, and administration)
- £480 from core funds was used to pay for work during January to September 2023 on updating LRT's extensive database on rhino sightings in Bubye Valley Conservancy
- And £28 from core funds for transfer fees

Stopping the illegal trade

Total £26,669

**Education for Nature-
Vietnam, Viet Nam**

£6,873

- We sent €8,000 from Zoo de la Barben; to be allocated to Education for Nature-Vietnam's Wildlife Crime Hotline for Public Service Announcements. The Hotline receives an average 10 reports/ day of wildlife crimes involving different species
- And £9 from core funds for transfer fees

**Environmental Investigation
Agency, China**

£19,796

- We sent \$25,000 from Ardea Cares to help cover the costs of Y3 of the "Changing China" project to advocate for the adoption of a new State Council order and/or amendments to China's wildlife laws; to encourage and amplify diverse voices calling for an end to trade in threatened wildlife; and to undertake research and produce analysis to support policy recommendations
- And £5 from core funds for transfer fees

Supporting rangers, by
**funding training, equipment
and improvements to
accommodation**, is boosting
capacity and effectiveness
of vital rhino monitoring
and protection teams.



Capacity building

Total £777,675

African Rhino Specialist Group - Pachyderm

£26,745

- We sent £5,611.93 from The Pachyderm Journal Fund established by the estate of Esmond Bradley Martin and managed by the Royal Geographical Society as sole Trustee towards the cost of producing issue 64 of Pachyderm.
- A further \$1,982 from Save the Elephants, and \$1,504.35 from Oak Philanthropy UK Ltd paid the balance of an invoice for the cost of producing issue 64 of Pachyderm
- \$2,070 from Oak Philanthropy UK Ltd was used to pay for editing costs for an article for issue 64 of Pachyderm that required a lot of input
- We sent the remaining \$4,225.65 from Oak Philanthropy (UK) Ltd's grant to pay towards the costs of producing issue 64
- We sent £500 from the sale of a painting by Robert Bateman painting to pay the final invoice relating to the production of issue 64 of Pachyderm
- We awarded €1,500 from Save the Rhino's core funds towards the editing and production costs of issue 65 of Pachyderm
- We sent £1,961.19, being the remainder of the sum raised from the sale of a painting of a black rhino by Robert Bateman, towards the editing and production costs of issue 65 of Pachyderm
- We sent \$11,900 (from the total grant of \$11,982) from Save the Elephants, for the production of issue 65 of Pachyderm
- And £66 from core funds for transfer fees

Canine units, Africa

£35,510

- We sent \$7,799.02 (from the total grant of \$65,000 awarded by our sister organisation, SRI Inc.) to pay the deposit to secure the South African Wildlife College as the venue for the fourth canine workshop, to be held in September 2023. The workshop involved participants from a wide range of rhino programs across southern and eastern Africa and expert speakers from all over the world on practical training, detection, and tracking sessions, veterinary care, welfare, husbandry, conditioning and fitness and law enforcement
- We sent \$665 from Save the Rhino International Inc.'s grant to pay Natasha van Zyl for her administrative and logistics support during June for the fourth canine workshop
- \$1,085 from SRI Inc.'s grant paid Natasha van Zyl for her administrative and logistics support during July for the fourth canine workshop; and another \$1,225 her work during August
- \$21,672.83) from SRI Inc. for flights for 22 participants in the K9 workshop held at the South African Wildlife College in South Africa in September 2023; and then another \$3,169.93 to pay for the flights for attendees of the K9 workshop who received travel bursaries
- \$204.09 from the SRI Inc. grant to reimburse Save the Rhino's Operations Manager, who is leading this workshop, for her travel to Heathrow to attend the K9 workshop
- \$686.39 from the SRI Inc. grant to pay for hotels needed by K9 workshop attendees on their way to/from the South African Wildlife College
- Save the Rhino donated £17.16 worth of wristbands for participants in the K9 workshop, and £174.21 worth of T shirts, as thank you presents for the speakers and as prizes for the raffle
- \$2,827.02 from SRI Inc.'s grant was used to pay Natasha van Zyl for her administrative and logistics support during September, as well as to reimburse her for stationery items and travel costs. Another \$5,843.50 paid the balance charged by the South African Wildlife College, which acted as the venue for the fourth canine workshop. And £64.14 from the SRI Inc. grant reimbursed SRI staff member Yasmin Morowa for cellphone data and anti-malarial medication while she was delivering the K9 workshop in September
- We received a refund of £886.42 from Key Travel for cancelled flights for the September 2023 K9 Unit workshop
- And £66 from core funds for transfer fees

Association of Private and community Land Rhino Sanctuaries, Kenya – 51 Degrees

£5,819

- We sent \$1,455 from INL via Project UPTICK for 51 Degrees' trainer to write up reports on training courses delivered for rangers in Laikipia-Meru conservancies. These reports are tracked via EarthRangerTM, and show progress at unit and individual ranger levels, and help inform Conservancy Managers and HR departments of any issues that need addressing, or of individuals that merit promotion
- \$970 from INL via Project UPTICK paid for 51 Degrees' trainer to write up reports on training courses delivered for rangers in Laikipia-Meru conservancies
- We sent \$970 from INL via Project UPTICK for 51 Degrees' trainer to write up reports on training courses delivered for rangers in Laikipia-Meru conservancies
- \$485 from INL via Project UPTICK paid for 51 Degrees' trainer to write up reports on training courses delivered for rangers in Laikipia-Meru conservancies

Association of Private and community Land Rhino Sanctuaries, Kenya – ForRangers

£222,912

- £16,387.59 from funds raised by the ForRangers Ultra 2022 runners, to pay for 100 x Camelbaks, bladders and chestrigs, and 32 pairs of binoculars, for rangers based at Sosian Ranch, Suyian Ranch, Ol Maisor, Mugie Conservancy, Lolldaiga and Ole Naishu Conservancy
- We sent £9,500 (ZAR 1,106,910) to the Game Rangers' Association of Africa, from ForRangers res funds, to pay for life insurance for 2,456 rangers at field programmes in East and Southern Africa, from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024. The rangers work at sites in Angola, Botswana, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Tanzania, South Africa, Zambia and Zimbabwe
- We also sent a total of 62,705.73 to renew life insurance for rangers working at multiple conservancies in Kenya, Tanzania, Zambia and Nigeria: £42,401.37 of this came from funds raised by the ForRangers Ultra; the other £20,304.36 came from funds raised for the ForRangers initiative generally
- \$40,000 from funds from an anonymous donor for ForRangers' initiatives was allocated towards the cost of a 2-year ranger training programme across Lolldaiga, Ole Naishu, Mugie, Sosian and Suyian conservancies. It is hoped that, eventually, some of these will become rhino guardians, to expand the rhino range across the Laikipia landscape
- We sent £20,475 from the Tristan Voorspuy Conservation Trust, and another £2,325 from ForRangers' funds, to pay for 105 pairs of high-quality Altberg boots for rangers working for Borana, Suyian and Sosian Conservancies in Laikipia County, Kenya
- \$970 from INL via Project UPTICK for 51 Degrees' trainer to write up reports on training courses delivered for rangers in Laikipia-Meru conservancies
- \$970 from INL via Project UPTICK for 51 Degrees' trainer to write up reports during September on training courses delivered for rangers in Laikipia-Meru conservancies
- \$485 from INL via Project UPTICK paid for 51 Degrees' trainer to write up reports in October 2023 on training courses delivered for rangers in Laikipia-Meru conservancies, and the same again in November
- \$485 from INL via Project UPTICK for 51 Degrees' trainer to write up reports on training courses delivered for rangers in Laikipia-Meru conservancies in February 2024
- \$5,000 from ForRangers' funds was sent to the Local Ocean Trust, to pay for: 8 x waterproof jackets; 10 x branded shirts; 5 pairs of boots and reef shoes; 5 branded sunhats; 1 spotlight torch; 4 x headtorches; 2 night-movement cameras; 1 pair of night-vision binoculars; 4 waterproof slate boards; 5 x field aid trainings; gym equipment and training sessions; improvements to the mess/kitchen facility; repairs to window and doorframes in the rangers' accommodation; annual medical checks; a new computer screen; 6 x staff lockers for onsite ranger accommodation and the LOC office; and 2 x Keysafe locks
- Another \$5,000 from funds raised by the 2023 ForRangers Ultra was awarded to the Taylor Ashe Antivenom Trust, to pay for: staff uniforms (shirt, trousers, boots and shipping \$1,050); motorbike helmets x 3 (\$100); medical insurance and AMREF Flying Doctors (\$1,850); and staff training allowances across 30 courses (\$2,000)
- \$90,000 from funds donated to the ForRangers initiatives was allocated towards the cost of a 2-year ranger training programme across Lolldaiga, Ole Naishu, Mugie, Sosian and Suyian conservancies. It is hoped that, eventually, some of these will become rhino guardians, to expand the rhino range across the Laikipia landscape
- And £83 from core funds for transfer fees

Borana Conservancy, Kenya

£124,419

- \$34,285 (from the total grant of \$75,000) from Ardea Cares went to pay for uniforms: for NPR armed rangers at \$10,112; and Rhino Monitors at \$24,173
- \$15,700 from USFWS for the new ranger outpost at Ngare Ndare, which has come in at \$23,200, more than originally budgeted when we submitted our 5-year proposal to USFWS back in 2021
- \$1,260 from INL paid for 4 of Borana's rangers to undergo a 6-day Patrol Medic training course, when they are taught how to deal with wounds/injuries to themselves and/or their colleagues while on duty
- We awarded £15,925 raised via the ForRangers Ultra 2022 to pay for new accommodation for its three Senior Commanders.
- \$1,680 from INL paid for four of Borana's rangers to undergo a second 6-day Patrol Medic training course, when they are taught how to deal with wounds/injuries to themselves and/or their colleagues while on duty
- \$11,443 from INL paid for Borana's general security rangers to undergo training with 51 Degrees Ltd. These courses are an excellent way for Borana's management to identify rangers, who may currently be working on gateposts or fence line maintenance, but are capable of more advanced law enforcement roles
- \$21,000 from INL paid for Borana's rangers to undergo the Rhino tactical refresher course; and another \$1,747.20 was sent to reimburse Borana for the VAT charged on last month's general security training course
- \$3,500 from INL via Project UPTICK paid for five of Borana's to undergo a 5-day shared-asset training course
- \$23,598.60 from USFWS (part of its Y3 grant covering calendar year 2024) to pay for uniforms: each ranger will receive: 2 x green shirts; 2 x green trousers; 1 x pair boots; 2 x green hat; 1 x belt; 1 x green jumper; 1 x green heavy padded jacket; and 5 x pairs socks
- \$10,046 from the Anna Merz Rhino Trust for a new 3-man accommodation block for the security commanders based at Borana HQ
- \$10,000 from ForRangers' funds to pay for 32 x chest rigs, 10 x Garmin Foretrex and 30 x IFAK First Aid kits. The chest rigs allow the rangers to carry tactical equipment (such as first aid kits and trauma bandages) on their person easily, allowing the rangers maximum mobility while out in the field. The Garmins have been requested so that a team can call in a specific location to be relayed to the Joint Operations and Communication Centre (JOCC) based at Lewa Wildlife Conservancy, to another patrol or an aircraft.
- And £53 from core funds for transfer fees

Kenya Wildlife Service, Kenya
£51,098

- We paid \$1,160 for Management refresher training for Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS) staff in the use of EarthRangerTM at one of the National Parks supported via Project UPTICK
- \$2,900 from INL paid for 2-day User basic and Management basic training courses in the use of EarthRanger at Ngulia Rhino Sanctuary, within Tsavo West National Park; and another \$870 from INL via Project UPTICK covered subsistence and travel costs incurred by 51 Degrees' trainers when delivering the courses for KWS staff in Ngulia
- \$7,540 from INL paid for user refresher training in the use of EarthRanger at one of the National Parks supported via Project UPTICK, and for user and management basic training in Ruma NP. Another \$730 covered subsistence and travel costs incurred by 51 Degrees' trainers when delivering the courses for KWS staff in Ruma NP
- \$1,160 from INL paid for a Management basic training course in the use of EarthRanger at KWS HQ. \$3,480 paid for a User refresher training course in the use of EarthRanger at one of the national parks involved in Project UPTICK, and another \$2,320 from INL paid for Management refresher training in the use of EarthRanger at one of the national parks; and finally \$927 from INL covered subsistence and travel costs incurred by 51 Degrees' trainer when delivering the courses for KWS staff
- \$3,480 from INL paid for a User refresher training course, and \$2,320 for a Management refresher course in the use of EarthRanger in Aberdare and Tsavo West NPs
- \$1,740 from INL paid for a User basic training course, and another \$1,160 for a Management basic training course, in the use of EarthRanger at Shimba Hills NP
- \$2,970 from INL via Project UPTICK covered subsistence and travel costs incurred by 51 Degrees' trainers when delivering the above courses for KWS staff
- \$1,740 from INL to pay for a User refresher training course in the use of EarthRanger at Tsavo West NP; and another \$6,534 pay for a User refresher training course, in the use of EarthRanger at Ngulia Rhino Sanctuary, Mt Kenya NP and Ruma NP
- \$9,860 from INL to pay for EarthRanger training courses at KWS sites: User Basic in Narok, User Refresher in Nairobi NP, Meru NP and Shimba Hills NP, and Management Refresher in Amboseli NP; another \$2,307 from INL via Project UPTICK to cover subsistence and travel costs incurred by 51 Degrees' trainers while delivering the courses for KWS staff
- \$2,948.28 from INL via Project UPTICK paid for training in EarthRanger for KWS staff: \$2,320 for User refresher training at KWS HQ, and another \$628.28 for 51 Degrees' S&T costs while on site
- \$2,920 from INL paid for 2 x 2-day Ops Room EarthRanger Refresher training courses, one at the KWS Coastal Conservation Area in Malinda, the other at the KWS Central Rift Conservation Area in Hell's Gate NP: \$2,320 for the trainer's fees, and \$600 for travel and subsistence costs incurred during the training
- Another \$4,996 covered 3 x 2-day Ops Room and EarthRanger User refresher training courses (one at the KWS Laikipia HQ in Nanyuki in the Mountain Conservation Area, the second at the KWS Eastern Conservation Area HQ in Meru NP, and the third at the KWS Tsavo Conservation HQ in Voi): \$3,480 for the trainer's fees, and \$1,516 for travel and subsistence costs incurred during the training
- And £14 from core funds for transfer fees

Lewa Wildlife Conservancy, Kenya

£87,192

- We sent \$21,000 from INL's 4-year grant to pay for 30 of Lewa's rangers to undergo the Rhino Tactical Refresher course
- \$1,260 from INL paid for 4 of Lewa's rangers to undergo a 6-day Patrol Medic training course, when they are taught how to deal with wounds/injuries to themselves and/or their colleagues while on duty
- \$1,680 from INL paid for 4 of Lewa's rangers to undergo a second 6-day Patrol Medic training course, when they are taught how to deal with wounds/injuries to themselves and/or their colleagues while on duty
- \$11,443 from INL paid for Lewa's general security rangers to undergo training with 51 Degrees Ltd. These courses are an excellent way for Lewa's management to identify rangers, who may currently be working on gateposts or fence line maintenance, but are capable of more advanced law enforcement roles
- \$21,000 from INL paid for Lewa's rangers to undergo the Rhino tactical refresher course; plus \$1,747.20 reimbursement for the VAT charged on last month's general security training course; and \$1,750 for shared-asset training
- \$3,500 from INL paid for five of Lewa's rangers to undergo a 10-day commanders' training course
- We sent \$15,038 from USFWS (part of its Y3 grant covering calendar year 2024) to pay for uniforms: Each of the 82 rangers (general security and rhino monitors) will receive: 2 x green shirts; 2 x green trousers; 1 x green jumper; 1 x green heavy padded jacket; and 5 x pairs socks
- \$10,000 from ForRangers' funds was awarded to pay for 100 x Camelbak hydration systems for Lewa's rangers, and c. 185 pairs of tough boots that will withstand the demands of the terrain they patrol
- \$21,000 from INL via Project UPTICK paid for 30 of Lewa's rangers to undergo the Rhino Tactical Refresher course in February 2024
- And £64 from core funds for transfer fees

Ol Jogi Conservancy, Kenya

£87,013

- \$2,878.80 (from total additional grant of \$29,091.89 from USFWS) went to cover the increased cost of rations for Ol Jogi's rangers. Due to the rising costs of rations, Ol Jogi had scrutinized the prices of foodstuffs from various suppliers to try to obtain the best prices and identified two suppliers. Thanks to these additional funds from USFWS, Ol Jogi can order the same quantities as it did in 2022, the additional cost at 2023 prices is \$239.90/month.
- Another \$17,768.77 will supply rations for the new rangers' canteen, built with support from the ForRangers' initiative. The facility allows them to receive meals and focus on their work, rather than having to cook for themselves every day, greatly improving morale and ultimately helping to conserve biodiversity better.
- And \$645.60 will cover the increased cost of building three new ranger stations, since we submitted the original 5-year proposal and budget
- \$1,260 from INL paid for 4 of Ol Jogi's rangers to undergo a 6-day Patrol Medic training course, when they are taught how to deal with wounds/injuries to themselves and/or their colleagues while on duty. And another \$21,000 from INL paid for 30 of Ol Jogi's rangers to undergo the 10-day Rhino Tactical Refresher course, when key skills are taught and each ranger's aptitude and progress since the previous course are assessed
- \$1,680 from INL for 4 of Ol Jogi's rangers to undergo a second 6-day Patrol Medic training course, when they are taught how to deal with wounds/injuries to themselves and/or their colleagues while on duty
- \$11,443 from INL for Ol Jogi's general security rangers to undergo training with 51 Degrees Ltd. These courses are an excellent way for Ol Jogi's management to identify rangers, who may currently be working on gateposts or fence line maintenance, but who are capable of more advanced law enforcement roles
- \$1,750 from INL via Project UPTICK paid for shared-asset training, plus \$1,747.20 reimbursement for the VAT charged on last month's general security training course
- \$23,100 from INL paid for 30 of Ol Jogi's rangers to undergo the annual rhino tactical refresher course
- £750 from Andrew Mackay, together with another £240 received in miscellaneous donations via our website, was allocated to buy a large screen TV for the new canteen, which can be used to show training (and other) films, to build staff morale
- \$3,500 from INL paid for five of Ol Jogi's rangers to undergo a 10-day commanders' training course
- We sent \$14,953.56 from USFWS (part of its Y3 grant covering calendar year 2024) to pay for rations for the rangers. Ol Jogi secures a 12-month contract with the respective suppliers for monthly delivery.
- Another \$5,500 from USFWS will pay for a new housing unit for Ol Jogi's rangers
- And £56 from core funds for transfer fees

Ol Pejeta Conservancy, Kenya
£49,456

- \$1,260 from INL paid for 4 of Ol Pejeta's rangers to undergo a 6-day Patrol Medic training course, when they are taught how to deal with wounds/injuries to themselves and/or their colleagues while on duty
- \$1,680 from INL paid for 4 of Ol Pejeta's rangers to undergo a second 6-day Patrol Medic training course, when they are taught how to deal with wounds/injuries to themselves and/or their colleagues while on duty
- \$21,000 from INL paid for 30 of Ol Pejeta's rangers to undergo the 10-day Rhino Tactical Refresher course, when key skills are taught and each ranger's aptitude and progress since the previous course are assessed
- \$10,920 from INL paid for OPC's general security rangers to undergo training with 51 Degrees Ltd. These courses are an excellent way for OPC's management to identify rangers, who may currently be working on gateposts or fence line maintenance, but who are capable of more advanced law enforcement roles
- \$1,747.20 from INL was sent to reimburse Ol Pejeta for the VAT charged on last month's general security training course, while another \$1,750 from INL paid for some of OPC's NPRs to undergo shared-asset training
- \$3,500 from INL paid for five of Ol Pejeta's rangers to undergo a 10-day commanders' training course
- \$21,000 from INL paid for OPC's National Police Reservists to undergo the Rhino tactical refresher training course during December 2023
- And £44 from core funds for transfer fees

Sera Wildlife Conservancy, Kenya
£15,847

- A grant of \$20,000 from the Anna Merz Rhino Trust was awarded to pay for rations for Sera Wildlife Conservancy's rhino monitors and anti-poaching teams. This will cover just over 50% of the annual cost for rations
- And £14 from core funds for transfer fees

Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism, Namibia
£5,363

- We spent £883.37 from the Ania Wanda Wasilewski legacy, to pay MultiChoice Namibia for two annual TV packages for the K9 unit. The unit is based in a remote part of Namibia, and it's important to maintain the morale of the K9 unit handlers
- We sent another £4,474.31 from the Ania Wanda Wasilewski legacy, to pay the Universidad de Andalucia for tuition fees for Masters student Ms C. Louw, who works in Namibia's CITES office, and whose research is on the genetics of the private Custodian properties' rhino population. This will assist in management of the population in terms of parentage
- And £5 from core funds for transfer fees

Save the Rhino Trust, Namibia
£24,173

- £6,150 (£5,600 donated by the Tim Holmes' trekking group and £550 raised via the JustGiving page) will be used to pay for Maigoha and Axab (mule camp) upgrades to improve ranger welfare
- \$14,800 (from the total additional grant of \$30,000 from USFWS) was sent to cover the increased cost of rations, since we submitted the original 5-year proposal and budget in 2021. SRT provides rations for its own staff patrols (10 per month) and Rhino Rangers' patrols (14 per month) = 24 patrols/month.
- We sent another £640 raised by Tim Holmes' trekking group to help pay for Maigoha and Axab (mule camp) upgrades to improve ranger welfare
- £2,000 from the Betty Lawes Foundation, at the request of David Neville, was sent to pay for gas stoves, pots, pans and cutlery for the new communal kitchen and dining area for SRT's trackers and the members of NamPol that go out on patrol with them to cook and eat in. Any surplus was to be allocated to the Security Operations planned for December 23/January 24
- \$4,409 from USFWS (part of its Y3 grant covering calendar year 2024) will help pay for rations for SRT's rangers, who are deployed out into the vast 25,000 km² Kunene Region to look for the Key 1 population of desert-adapted black rhinos
- And £51 from core funds for transfer fees

Hluhluwe-iMfolozi Park, South Africa
£14,899

- \$18,931.86 from USFWS (part of its Y3 grant covering calendar year 2024) will help improve the living and working conditions of rangers working in HiP: the grant will pay for ration packs, for camping equipment, and for repairs to accommodation and ablutions blocks

uMkhuzi Game Reserve, South Africa
£25,014

- \$26,000.03 from USFWS (part of its Y3 grant covering calendar year 2024) will help improve the living and working conditions of rangers working in the Reserve, specifically, to maintain and refurbish of three picket camps' kitchens and ablutions blocks (Mshopi, Diza and Mbulaweni), and the Staff Sergeant's kitchen
- Thanks to an additional grant from USFWS for Y2 (calendar year 2023) of its 5-year grant, we were able to send \$2,200 to pay for the increased costs of refurbishing four camps (Nsumo, Mkhumbe and Mahlabeni picket camps, and Corporal South's accommodation), together with another \$3,466.50 to pay for the additional costs involved in the maintenance and refurbishment of the Conservation Manager's kitchen
- And £11 from core funds for transfer fees

Rhino Resource Center, UK
£1,300

- We sent our annual grant of £1,300 from core funds towards the cost of the RRC's website and uploading new rhino research publications. It is an excellent reference base, used by students, researchers and rhino conservation professionals alike

North Luangwa Conservation Programme, Zambia
£915

- £915.01 from the Wildcat Foundation's grant was used to book a return flight for Technical Advisor Claire Lewis from Lusaka to London to attend meetings

Continental coordination

Total £43,440

**African Rhino
Specialist Group, Africa**
£39,109

- We sent an additional grant of \$24,000, from the USFWS Rhino and Tiger Conservation Fund, to pay for further days' work by Dr Sam Ferreira, the AfRSG Scientific Officer, during 2023
- We were able to award \$11,988.80 from the Scott and Jessica McClintock Foundation (originally \$12,000 but \$11.20 was lost in transfer fees on the way to us, which we paid from own core funds), for the work of the AfRSG's Scientific Officer
- We sent \$12,931 from USFWS (part of its Y3 grant covering calendar year 2024) towards the daily consultancy fees of the AfRSG's Scientific Officer (Dr Sam Ferreira) and Ms Keit Mosweu (Programme Officer)
- And £42 from core funds for transfer fees

**Association of Private
and community Land
Rhino Sanctuaries, Kenya –
Administrator**
£4,168

- We sent \$5,248.74 from USFWS (part of its Y3 grant covering calendar year 2024) to help cover the salary of the APLRS Administrator, John Gitonga, during 2024. John is currently studying for a Masters degree that will assist his work in analysing rhino population performance
- We also donated £26-worth of SRI wristbands, given out in January 2024 by CEO Jo Shaw during her visit to the Kenyan field programmes that SRI supports
- And £11 from core funds for transfer fees

**Ministry of Environment,
Forestry and Tourism, Namibia**
£163

- We sent \$192 from Y2 of USFWS's 5-year grant for subsistence and travel costs incurred by National Rhino Coordinator Piet Beytell, who travelled to Zambia to advise on potential rhino reintroductions
- And £11 from core funds for transfer fees

Societal relevance

Total £70,480

Borana Conservancy, Kenya

£69,407

- We paid £2,000 from core funds, £675.57 from a donation from Kenneth Donaldson and £44 from miscellaneous donations via our website, towards the total grant of £2,719.57, to reimburse consultant Richard Hennery for daily fees, flight, visa and anti-malarials incurred during his visit to Borana in May 2023 to review the progress of Mazingira Yetu, the conservation education programme targeting schools and villages around the Conservancy.
- We sent \$288.13 (originally \$300 but bank charges deducted en route to us) from Francis and Sandi Blake for Borana's Mobile Health Clinic, in memory of Tony and Rose Dyer
- We forwarded \$10,215 (from the total grant of \$75,000) received from Ardea Cares towards the Y2 (calendar year 2023) costs of Mazingira Yetu, the conservation education programme
- £1,500 received from the Hart Family, following a visit to Borana Conservancy, was restricted for Mazingira Yetu; specifically, to help cover the costs of the salaries of the Conservation Education Officer and Assistant
- We sent £5,000 from the CHK Foundation for the Mobile Health Clinic, for the period July 2023 to June 2024
- We sent a couple of donations for the Borana Education Support Programme, made in honour of Ralph Winter's birthday: \$1,000 from Mark and Carrie Sisson; and another \$1,000 from Raphael and Katherine Sidelsky
- €15,000 from the Stichting Suzuki Rhino Club was assigned to the transport costs involved in delivering Mazingira Yetu, the conservation education programme; while another €20,000 from Paris Zoo helped cover the costs of the fitout of the Centre: miscellaneous fitout (materials and materials and labour); miscellaneous equipment for the classroom; school meals for students at \$340/month; and infographic (design and printing costs)
- We sent \$25,000 from the Springhouse Foundation, for projects at Lokusero Primary School, a boarding and day government school located in the Mukogodo Forest, which neighbours Borana Conservancy. The Foundation's grant will be allocated as follows: \$3,500 to create a playground for the children; \$500 to buy equipment including soccer balls; \$5,000 to convert the borehole from diesel- to solar-powered; and \$16,000 to use for priority needs, e.g. solar-power upgrades
- And £66 from core funds for transfer fees

North Luangwa Conservation Programme, Zambia

£1,073

- We sent £1,073.01 received in miscellaneous donations via our website for Lolesha Luangwa, the conservation education programme that targets the schools in the Game Management Areas surrounding North Luangwa National Park

Sustainable adequate financing

Total £10,000

Borana Conservancy, Kenya

£10,000

- Thanks to a grant from the CHK Foundation, we were able to send £10,000 to Borana for the renovation of the tourist lodge at Tassia, on the neighbouring Lekurruki Conservancy. Lekurruki may one day host rhinos, via the Laikipia Rhino Range Expansion Project, but in the meantime it is vital that the community sees the benefits of living alongside wildlife.

As always, our thanks to all the donors who made these grants possible.

Monitoring achievements

Save the Rhino has developed a 5-year conservation strategy for each of its seven key components. Each key component has a strategic objective, key outcome/Key Performance Indicators, identifies how those KPIs will be verified, the activities to be funded, priority programmes for each component, and considers risks and assumptions.

■ **Means of verification:** To verify that indicators have been achieved, it is important to identify how we will measure progress. In essence this is the 'source' material that supports our accounts of achievement. These could be public access documents such as annual reports, or could be materials that SRI collates and publishes itself. Examples of materials used include: publications, surveys, meeting minutes, newspaper articles, project notes, reports, tapes, videos etc.

■ **Risks and assumptions:** Achievements are also dependent on external conditions which are outside SRI's control. It's therefore important to understand the risks that SRI has identified and assumptions made, to ensure that SRI's target outcomes are still achievable, i.e., we must monitor the situation: if the situation or our knowledge changes, it will probably necessitate a change in our approach.

Progress towards achieving the desired outcomes is monitored and measured, via quarterly short summaries to Save the Rhino's Trustees and an annual Impact Report.

Fundraising and communications performance are measured against our internal fundraising and communications strategies, which comprise part of our rolling 3-year business plan. These reviews are led by SRI senior staff, and the results are shared with our Board of Trustees.

**In total, during
the financial year 2023–24,
we sent out £3,856,059**

in grants to rhino
conservation programmes.



Financial review

Save the Rhino's work is entirely dependent upon its fundraising. Income represents the revenue from Save the Rhino International's fundraising and awareness-raising programme. Total income for the year amounted to £4,437,834 (2022-23: £5,279,477).

Expenditure on charitable activities, furthering the aims and objectives of the Charity totalled £4,090,605 (2022-23: £4,432,906). Donations to conservation and awareness projects totalled £3,856,059 (2022-23: £4,327,991) as detailed in Table 1:

Table 1. Grants expended during the financial year

£	2023-24
African Rhino Specialist Group, Africa	65,854
Canine unit workshop, Africa	35,510
Indian Rhino Vision 2.0, India	16,186
Ujung Kulon National Park, Indonesia	25,297
Way Kambas National Park, Indonesia	20,247
Sumatran Rhino Sanctuary, Indonesia	78,499
Association of Private and community Land Rhino Sanctuaries, Kenya	288,272
Borana Conservancy, Kenya	371,070
Kenya Wildlife Service, Kenya	233,360
Lewa Wildlife Conservancy, Kenya	162,680
Northern Rangelands Trust, Kenya	15,847
Ol Jogi Conservancy, Kenya	211,422
Ol Pejeta Conservancy, Kenya	81,928
Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism, Namibia	336,396
Save the Rhino Trust, Namibia	119,119
Hluhluwe-iMfolozi Park, South Africa	230,485
uMkhuze Game Reserve, South Africa	51,870
Follow-the-money investigation, South Africa	286,089
Environmental Investigation Agency, UK	19,796
Rhino Resource Center, UK	1,300
Education for Nature Viet Nam-Viet Nam	6,873
North Luangwa Conservation Programme, Zambia	1,169,932
Lowveld Rhino Trust, Zimbabwe	28,027
Total	3,856,059

Net expenditure for the year was £218,621 (2022–23: Net income £291,498). The net movement in funds before transfers was £65,595 on the unrestricted funds (2022–23: £165,848) and deficit of £284,216 on the restricted funds (2022–23 surplus:

£125,650). The restricted funds carried forward of £811,320 are held for expenditure for the following programmes / projects as detailed in Table 2:

Table 2: Restricted funds held for expenditure

£	2023–24
African Rhino Specialist Group, Africa	10,038
Canine unit workshop, Africa	17,544
Ujung Kulon National Park, Indonesia	17,159
Way Kambas National Park, Indonesia	82
Sumatran Rhino Sanctuary, Indonesia	17,838
Association of Private and community Land Rhino Sanctuaries, Kenya	153,967
Big Life Foundation, Kenya	5
Borana Conservancy, Kenya	47,594
Lewa Wildlife Conservancy, Kenya	34,186
Ol Jogi Conservancy, Kenya	50,372
Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism, Namibia	233,870
Save the Rhino Trust, Namibia	45,043
Hluhluwe-iMfolozi Park, South Africa	95,066
uMkhuze Game Reserve, South Africa	41,505
Education for Nature, Viet Nam	80
TRAFFIC, Viet Nam	10
North Luangwa Conservation Programme, Zambia	46,003
Lowveld Rhino Trust, Zimbabwe	958
Total	811,320

Investment policy and performance

Under its Declaration of Trust, Save the Rhino has the power to invest in any way the Trustees see fit. The Trustees, having regard to the liquidity requirements of the Charity, have kept available funds in bank accounts.

Risk management

SRI conducts a risk assessment exercise annually, identifying the main risks to which the Charity is exposed, assessing the likelihood and impact, and developing preventative measures and recovery and contingency plans. The assessment is then discussed and

agreed with the Board of Trustees at one of its quarterly meetings. The risk assessment for 2023–24 was colour-coded with a yellow / amber / red system based on the risk likelihood and the impact it would have. No risks were identified at a red level with high likelihood and high impact. Only one risk was identified as being medium likelihood / high impact during this financial year, specifically ongoing global financial shocks. The risk of continued economic recession associated with the cost of living crisis was considered medium likelihood with potentially high impact given the negative implications for fundraising to unrestricted income.

Reserves policy

The Trustees aim to maintain free reserves in unrestricted funds at a level which equates to approximately six months of unrestricted charitable expenditure on budgeted overheads. The reserves level for 2023–24 was retained at £315,000 as monthly overhead costs were contained at the same level as the previous financial year. As at 31 March 2024, SRI's unrestricted funds totalled £405,179. The current level of reserves is therefore higher than is needed.

In deciding how Save the Rhino's unrestricted funds are allocated, the Trustees consider several factors:

- **The financial climate:** The cost-of-living crisis continues to influence public fundraising within the UK including levels of donations, membership and merchandise sales with compounding impacts on the amount of Gift Aid that can be reclaimed. These factors are reported as being experienced across charitable organisations with impacts on availability of unrestricted funds.
- **Grants:** The rhino poaching crisis continues whilst available budgets for wildlife and parks in many rhino range states remain constrained, which results in more requests for donor support. A shortage of unrestricted funds would limit how much additional

funds SRI can leverage through trusts and foundations that require evidence of part-matching funds from the applicant (e.g., Darwin Initiative, Illegal Wildlife Trade Challenge Fund) and limit SRI's ability to make emergency grants from core funds

- **Staff complement and salaries:** The staff complement increased from 10 to 12 during FY 2023–24, with the addition of a new CEO, whilst the former CEO continued in a part-time role as Grants Lead, and the recruitment of a social media officer to increase communications capacity. The larger team with more senior staff has increased salary overheads
- **Office space and equipment:** SRI moved to larger premises in March 2018 to accommodate the increased number of permanent staff and assistance of occasional office-based volunteers. The office also allows us to store the rhino costumes in the same location and undertake in-person engagement events. The team now utilise a hybrid model of working balancing remote and in-office working to enable the cross-fertilization of ideas, communications and build team cohesion. The office space is still very much needed

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Martina Navratilova

Viscount Petersham
Alexandra Rhind
Mark Sainsbury
Alec Seccombe
Tira Shubart
James Sunley
William Todd-Jones
Friederike von Houwald
Jack Whitehall

Structure, governance, and management

Governing document

Save the Rhino International was established under a trust deed dated 28 February 1994, supplemented by a Resolution, dated 6 March 2018, under section 280 of the Charities Act 2011 for changes to the governing document. It is an unincorporated Charity registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Appointment of Trustees

Names of potential new Trustees are put forward at the Trustees' quarterly meetings. Candidates are then interviewed by the Chair of Trustees and, whenever possible, by fellow Trustees; candidates may be invited to attend a Board meeting as an observer, prior to a formal invitation being made by the Chair of Trustees in writing. Acceptance is also made in writing. No other person or body is entitled to appoint a Trustee to SRI. See also [note 16](#) in the Charity's Declaration of Trust of 28 February 1994. Trustees are appointed for a term of four years, after which they may put themselves forward for a second term of four years. Each Trustee may serve for a maximum of two terms, except for the Chair and Treasurer, whose terms may be renewed indefinitely subject to the approval of the other two members of the Executive Committee, (i.e., the Chair, Treasurer and CEO).

The Resolution provides for a minimum of three Trustees.

Trustee induction and training

In addition to being sent Trustee induction packs, new Trustees have one-to-one inductions, including training with the Charity's CEO, and the CEO circulates occasional Charity Commission newsletters and news from field programmes supported by the Charity, as well as the quarterly Board meeting papers and minutes.

Organisation

The Charity has a Board of Trustees, which determines grant-making policy and practice, is responsible for the appointment of the CEO, and monitors the financial and other activities of the Charity. The Trustees have delegated the day-to-day running of the Charity to the CEO, as set out in the Board and Management Responsibilities Policy and in the Delegation of Authorities Policy (approved at the March 2017 Trustees' meeting). The CEO reports to the Trustees. Quarterly Trustee meetings are held at which grants are made and income and expenditure are monitored and determined via monthly financial reports. The CEO is supported by a Senior Management Team (SMT) replacing the former Managing Director position, consisting of the Operations and Finance Lead, Fundraising and Partnerships Lead, Communications and Marketing Lead and the Grants Lead.

Finally, the Charity has several Patrons, who assist with fundraising events and act as ambassadors for SRI. The Charity's staff is assisted by a small number of volunteers helping with office administrative tasks or at fundraising events.

Fundraising

SRI is registered with the Fundraising Regulator and abides by its code of practice; SRI also complies fully with GDPR requirements and does not make unreasonable or persistent requests for donations or support.

SRI's Fraud Prevention Policy (reviewed annually by its Trustees) sets out the steps that the Charity takes to monitor activities carried out by any person fundraising on behalf of the Charity. During the financial year 2023–24, no complaints from a fundraiser or member of the public were received about the Charity's fundraising activities.

SRI has partnerships with a portfolio of Corporate Partners who act as Commercial Participators to fundraise for SRI. Each partnership is based on a Partnership Agreement that complies fully with the requirements of Section 7 of the UK Fundraising Guidelines issued by the Fundraising Regulator. All Commercial Participators are bound through the Partnership Agreement to abide by the UK Fundraising Guidelines. SRI did not engage Professional Fundraisers as defined by the UK Fundraising Regulator.

Related parties

None of Save the Rhino's Trustees receives remuneration or other benefit from their work with the Charity. Any connection between a Trustee or senior manager of the Charity with any supplier or beneficiary of the Charity must be disclosed to the full Board of Trustees in the same way as any other contractual relationship with a related party, and in keeping with the Charity's Conflict of Interest Policy (approved at the March 2017 Trustees' meeting). In the current year, no such related-party transactions were reported.

Staff remuneration

Save the Rhino has benchmarked employee remuneration at other similar-sized charities and has developed a pay scale for permanent employees as follows:

- **Level 1 benefits package:** Pay range £22,001–24,000 per annum, 25 days' leave per annum and employer contributions to workplace pension scheme
- **Level 2 benefits package:** Pay range £24,001–30,000 per annum, 25 days' leave per annum and employer contributions to workplace pension scheme
- **Level 3 benefits package:** Pay range £30,001–42,000 per annum, 25 days' leave per annum and employer contributions to workplace pension scheme
- **Level 4 benefits package:** Pay range £42,001–58,000 per annum, 25 days' leave per annum and employer contributions to workplace pension scheme and the option to buy up to 5 days of extra annual leave
- **Level 5 benefits package:** Pay range £58,001–100,000 per annum, 25 days' leave per annum and employer contributions to workplace pension scheme and the option to buy up to 5 days of extra annual leave

Staff at all levels accrue an extra day of paid annual every two years, up to a maximum of five extra days. The CEO reviews staff remuneration taking into consideration job descriptions, individual appraisals, unrestricted funding and charity salary surveys. The CEO makes an annual recommendation to the Remuneration Committee, formed of Trustees', who consider whether there should be revisions to employees' remuneration.

Related organisations

SRI has a sister organisation based in the USA, Save the Rhino International Inc., which is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization, EIN 31-1758236. SRI Inc. has its own Board of Directors and makes independent decisions concerning grant-making. SRI's Grants Lead Cathy Dean serves as President and Board Director of SRI Inc. SRI Inc. employs no staff and subcontracts fundraising, grant management and bookkeeping to SRI for an annual fee of \$2,400.

In addition, SRI liaises closely with other like-minded rhino conservation organisations, in particular the International Rhino Foundation in the USA. There are no formal partnership agreements between SRI and these other organisations, though there are occasional grant-specific agreements between them.

Finally, SRI's Grants Lead is on the advisory board of a project called 'ForRangers', a fundraising initiative led by two individuals working primarily with members of the Association of Private and community Land Rhino Sanctuaries (APLRS) in Kenya. Funds raised in honour of ForRangers – via dinners, various marathons and ultramarathons, and other riding / kayaking etc. endurance challenges, are then granted out – with the approval of the advisory board – to a range of field programmes, whose scope is wider than SRI's normal rhino conservation focus.



Future plans

We remain committed to achieving our vision of all five rhino species thriving in the wild for future generations through our collaboration with partners to support endangered rhinos in Africa and Asia.

After a strong year in 2023–24, when we raised £4,437,834, we have budgeted to raise c. £2.6 million in 2024–25, reflecting the expiration of a major restricted grant from a foundation and a conservative approach to unrestricted fundraising revenue given the broader economic environment. Building upon the strategic review undertaken during this financial year, we will revise the organisational strategy and set goals for our strategic areas for 2024–29 with associated calendars, budgets and workplans.

With regards our four strategic areas:

Conservation

- We will review our conservation strategy to ensure we remain as impactful as possible in achieving rhino conservation successes, through ongoing commitment to our long-term field programme partners as well as targeted projects to reduce threats to rhinos
- Rhino range states with significant populations of Critically Endangered rhino species in Africa and Asia, specifically Kenya, Namibia, South Africa, Zimbabwe and Indonesia will remain a focus
- Priority projects for 2024–25 include support to protect and monitor rhinos in Hluhluwe-iMfolozi Park in South Africa and Etosha National Park in Namibia as key populations facing increased poaching threats
- Efforts to support recovery of rhino numbers through range expansion and diversified partnership models for rhino conservation will also be prioritised

Fundraising

- We forecast that restricted income from government grants and trusts and foundations will remain a primary revenue source for Save the Rhino given our expertise in technical proposal development and grant management
- We will focus on diversifying and deepening our unrestricted income from public fundraising activities, building on our recognised strength in events such as the London Marathon and ForRangers Ultra
- We will review our fundraising strategy and revise restricted and unrestricted fundraising plans for 2024–29
- We aim to make grants of at least £1.8m, while staying solvent and not dipping into our reserves, though the Charity Commission allows this in extreme situations

Communications

- Communications will remain a focal area for Save the Rhino, we will review our Communications strategy for 2024–29 to ensure achievement of our conservation and fundraising goals.
- We will continue our focus on sharing technical knowledge as a trusted go-to resource on rhino conservation issues across a range of platforms including traditional and social media
- We will build on donor knowledge and software tools to develop targeted fundraising appeals to increase revenue in support of our rhino conservation projects
- We will develop targeted communications materials and messaging to increase awareness of key rhino conservation issues and solutions

Operations

- Our main objectives are:
 - To ensure that SRI meets its obligations as a charity to the Charity Commission and other legal authorities and to its Board of Trustees;
 - To maintain best possible value-for-money and keep costs to a reasonable minimum, ensuring that the greatest possible proportion of resources is channelled to achieving SRI's vision and mission;
 - To ensure that SRI's team is safeguarded and its professional development is nurtured, in line with both SRI's values and its legal obligations; and
 - To ensure that SRI's few irreplaceable possessions, particularly its iconic rhino costumes, are kept safely and maintained well
- We will produce operational plans to achieve the goals of the above strategic areas based on annual calendars, budgets and workplans subject to quarterly and annual review, reflection and learning processes

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales 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 and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the Charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS 102);
- Make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- 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 sufficient accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They 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.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the Charity and financial information included on the Charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Statement as to the legal form of the Charity

Save the Rhino International is an unincorporated Charity, registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales, as a public benefit entity.

By order of the Board of Trustees



George Stephenson
4 September 2024



Adam Barber
4 September 2024

Independent auditor's report to the Trustees of Save the Rhino International

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Save the Rhino International for the year ended 31 March 2024, which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the cash-flow statement, and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 March 2024, and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard and we have fulfilled our ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions related to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the trustees annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

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 course of the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. 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.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- The information given in the Trustees' report is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of the Trustees

As explained more fully in the Trustees' responsibilities statement set out on [page 40](#), the Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees 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 Trustees are responsible for assessing the Charity'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 Trustees either intend to liquidate the Charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 1443 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements 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 not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) 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 decision of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

- We identified areas of laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements from our experience with the client and the sector within which they operate and discussion with management.
- We had regard to laws and regulations in areas that directly affect the financial statements including financial reporting and taxation legislation. We considered that extent of compliance with those laws and regulations as part of our procedures on the related financial statement items.
- Our procedures included enquiry of management, review of correspondence with legal advisors, HMRC and Charity Commission, and completion of accounts disclosure checklist.
- We communicated identified laws and regulations throughout our team and remained alert to any indications of non-compliance throughout the audit.
- We addressed the risk of fraud through management override of controls by testing whether journal entries and other adjustments are considered reasonable and appropriate; assessing whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates are indicative of potential bias; and evaluating the business rationale of any significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Councils website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditors/audit-assurance/auditor-s-responsibilities-for-the-audit-of-the-fi/description-of-the-auditor%280%99s-responsibilities-for-the-audit

This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Signed electronically by

Accountancy Management Services Limited
Statutory Auditor

Accountancy Management Services Limited

Name

Date

Accountancy Management Services Limited is eligible to act as an auditor in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006

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Statement of financial activities, including income and expenditure

For the year ended 31 March 2024

£	Note ¹	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2023-24	2022-23
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	<u>2</u>	799,334	1,058,685	1,858,019	2,068,720
Charitable activities	<u>3</u>	-	2,563,214	2,563,214	3,195,010
Other trading activities	<u>4</u>	14,120	-	14,120	13,818
Investments		2,481	-	2,481	1,929
Total income		815,935	3,621,899	4,437,834	5,279,477
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	<u>10</u>	557,905	-	557,905	547,834
Charitable activities	<u>5, 15</u>	184,490	3,906,115	4,090,605	4,432,906
Other	<u>4</u>	7,945	-	7,945	7,239
Total expenditure		750,340	3,906,115	4,656,455	4,987,979
Net income/(expenditure) for the year		65,595	(284,216)	(218,621)	291,498
Transfers between funds	<u>15</u>	(9,470)	9,470	-	-
Net movement in funds for the year		56,125	(274,746)	(218,621)	291,498
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		349,054	1,086,066	1,435,120	1,143,622
Total funds carried forward		405,179	811,320	1,216,499	1,435,120

■ The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

■ All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

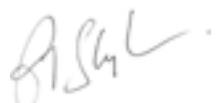
¹References refer to [Notes to the accounts](#), pages 46–58, which form part of these financial statements.

Balance sheet

As at 31 March 2024

£	Note ¹	2023-24	2022-23
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	<u>11</u>	0	2,230
Current assets			
Stocks	<u>12</u>	4,234	4,204
Debtors	<u>13</u>	0	0
Cash at bank and in hand		980,591	1,549,595
Total assets		984,825	1,553,799
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>13</u>	419,768	93,760
Creditors			
Amounts falling due within one year	<u>14</u>	(435)	(3,218)
Accruals and deferred income	<u>14</u>	(187,659)	(211,451)
Net current assets		1,216,499	1,432,890
Total net assets		1,216,499	1,435,120
The funds of the charity			
Unrestricted funds	<u>17</u>	405,179	349,054
Restricted funds	<u>15</u>	811,320	1,086,066
Total charity funds		1,216,499	1,435,120

Approved by the Trustees on 4 September 2024 and signed on their behalf.



George Stephenson

¹References refer to *Notes to the accounts*, pages 46–58, which form part of these financial statements.

Statement of cashflows

For the year ended 31 March 2024

£	2023-24	2022-23
Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cash flow from operating activities		
Net movement in funds	(218,621)	291,498
Add back depreciation charge	2,230	8,304
(Increase) decrease in stock	(30)	1,058
Decrease (increase) in debtors and prepayments	(326,008)	100,768
(Decrease) increase in creditors	(26,575)	(41,218)
Cash used in operating activities	(569,004)	360,410
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	0	0
Cash provided by (used in) investing activities	0	0
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents in the year	(569,004)	360,410
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	1,549,595	1,189,185
Total cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	980,591	1,549,595

Notes to the accounts

1 Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation of uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

1.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102 (2019))), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102).

The accounts have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice from 1 April 2005, which has since been withdrawn.

1.2 Preparation of the accounts on a going-concern basis

The financial statements have been prepared on the going-concern basis. The Trustees consider that the use of the going-concern basis is appropriate because there are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt about the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern.

1.3 Income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Grant income and legacies

Grant income from government and other grants, whether capital or revenue, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of the date on which either: the charity is aware that probate has been granted, the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executors that a distribution will be made or when a distribution is received from the estate. Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably and the charity has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution. Where legacies have been notified to the charity, or the charity is aware of the

granting of probate, and the criteria for income recognition have not been met, then the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material.

1.4 Donated goods and services

Donated goods are recognised as income when the charity has control over the item, any conditions associated with the donated item have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use of the item by the charity is probable and that economic benefit can be measured reliably. In accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102), the general time of volunteers is not recognised.

1.5 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification by the bank.

1.6 Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of the charity. Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for specific projects. Designated funds represent amounts set aside by the Trustees for a particular purpose. They form part of the charity's unrestricted funds and may be re-allocated.

1.7 Creditors and provisions for liabilities and charges

A liability is recognised for the amount that the charity anticipates it will pay to settle a debt or the amount it has received as an advance payment for goods or services it must provide. A provision is recognised when:

- there is a present obligation at the reporting date as a result of a past event;
- it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit, usually in the form of cash, will be required in settlement; and
- the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Costs of raising funds comprise the costs of appeals, events and their associated support costs.

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of field programmes overseas, providing support to the programmes from the UK and educational activities undertaken in the UK to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.

1.8 Allocation of support costs

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include back office costs, finance, personnel and governance costs. These costs have been allocated between costs of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities. Where costs cannot be directly attributed, they are allocated to activities on the basis of estimated time spent by staff in performing each activity.

1.9 Operating leases

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

1.10 Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets in the UK costing more than £500 are capitalised at cost. Other items are expensed to the Statement of Financial Activities as incurred.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset, less any estimated residual value, evenly over its expected useful life, as follows:

Office equipment and software	20 – 25% straight line per annum
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1.11 Stock

Stock comprises goods for resale and is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

1.12 Foreign exchange

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates ruling at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are translated at the rates ruling at that date. All translation differences are dealt with in the Statement of Financial Activities.

1.13 Pension costs

Pension contributions are made to defined contribution pension schemes and the charge recorded in these accounts is the amount payable during the year.

1.14 Value added tax (VAT)

The charity is partially exempt for VAT purposes. Income and expenditure are shown net of VAT and the irrecoverable input tax is recognised as an additional cost in the Statement of Financial Activities.

1.15 Functional and presentation currency

The accounts are presented in pounds sterling and are rounded to the nearest whole number.

1.16 Key sources of estimation uncertainty and judgement

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice requires management to make estimates and judgements that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities as well as the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date and the reported amounts of income and expenditure during the reporting period.

1.17 Cash and cash equivalents

Comprises of cash at bank and on hand, demand deposits and other short term highly liquid investments.

1.18 Debtors

Debtors are amounts owed to the charity and are measured based on their recoverable amount

2 Income from donations and legacies

£	Note	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2023-24	2022-23
Donations		567,563	925,647	1,493,210	1,492,190
Memberships		38,275	0	38,275	41,029
Donations from fundraising events		172,638	133,038	305,676	525,811
Gifts in kind	6	20,858	0	20,858	9,690
Total		799,334	1,058,685	1,858,019	2,068,720

3 Income from charitable activities

£	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2023-24	2022-23
Grants received	–	2,563,214	2,563,214	3,195,010
Total	0	2,563,214	2,563,214	3,195,010

4 Income and expenditure from trading activities

Stock sold by Save the Rhino International includes stickers, badges, cuddly toys, jewellery and cards, usually displaying Save the Rhino's logo.

£	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2023-24	2022-23
Sales	14,120	–	14,120	13,818
Cost of sales	(7,945)	–	(7,945)	(7,239)
Total	6,175	0	6,175	6,579

5 Expenditure on charitable activities

£	Note	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2023-24	2022-23
Project expenditure		–	3,856,059	3,856,059	4,327,991
Project support and education costs	<u>10</u>	184,490	50,056	234,546	104,915
Total		184,490	3,906,115	4,090,605	4,432,906

6 Gifts in kind

£	2023-24	2022-23
Income from donations and legacies includes the following in respect of gifts in kind:		
Goods and services for fundraising activities	15,660	3,600
Services	5,198	6,090
Total	20,858	9,690
The equivalent amounts, included as resources expended under the appropriate categories, are as follows:		
Activities for generating funds	15,660	3,600
Support costs	5,198	6,090
Total	20,858	9,690

7 Governance costs

Included in support costs (see [note 10](#))

£	2023-24	2022-23
Auditor's remuneration	1,600	1,600
Legal and professional fees	11,475	9,880
Total	13,075	11,480

8 Net income and expenditure for the year

Net income (expenditure) for the year is stated after charging:

£	2023-24	2022-23
Depreciation	2,230	8,304
Auditor's remuneration	1,600	1,600
Rent charge	41,610	43,800
Loss/(gain) on foreign exchange	11,784	(55,436)

9 Analysis of staff costs, trustee remuneration and expenses

Staff costs incurred during the year:

£	2023-24	2022-23
Wages and salaries	388,872	312,638
Social security costs	34,124	27,238
Pension costs	18,302	23,558
Total	441,298	363,434

10 Analysis of expenditure

£	Fundraising	Project support and education	Support costs	2023-24	
				2023-24	2022-23
Direct fundraising costs					
Marathons	104,542	0	0	104,542	121,129
Other events	41,418	0	0	41,418	40,222
Newsletter, website development and PR	50,570	0	0	50,570	54,710
Total direct fundraising costs	196,530	0	0	196,530	216,061
Personnel costs					
Salaries, training and recruitment costs	193,119	116,080	150,353	459,552	368,016
Overseas travel	0	11,318	0	11,318	7,335
Office costs					
Rent and rates	23,745	14,273	18,487	56,505	56,639
Office services	2,002	1,204	1,559	4,765	4,561
Equipment	4,909	2,952	3,823	11,684	5,235
Telephone and fax	481	288	374	1,143	1,081
Postage	832	500	648	1,980	3,229
Stationery	132	79	103	314	370
Support materials	336	202	262	800	800
Other costs					
Travel	106	64	82	252	605
Entertaining	389	234	303	926	470
Legal and professional	0	0	9,933	9,933	11,480
Bank charges	0	0	1,334	1,334	1,358
Depreciation	937	563	730	2,230	8,304
Exchange differences	0	0	11,784	11,784	(55,436)
Sundries	201	121	156	478	331
Irrecoverable VAT	8,793	5,285	6,845	20,923	22,310
Total personnel, office and other costs	235,982	153,163	206,776	595,921	436,688
Allocation of support costs	125,393	81,383	(206,776)	0	0
Total	557,905	234,546	0	792,451	652,749

11 Tangible fixed assets

	£	Office equipment and software
Costs		
At 1 April 2023		90,037
Additions		0
Disposals		0
At 31 March 2024		90,037
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2023		87,807
Charge for year		2,230
Disposals		0
At 31 March 2024		90,037
Net Book Value		
At 31 March 2024		0
At 31 March 2023		2,230

12 Stocks

	£	2023-24	2022-23
Merchandise		4,234	4,204
Total		4,234	4,204

13 Debtors

£	2023-24	2022-23
Uncleared bank deposits	0	0
Other debtors	0	0
Total	0	0
 Prepared and accrued income		
Other debtors	0	0
Prepayments	34,818	52,099
Accrued income	384,950	41,661
Total	419,768	93,760

14 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

Deferred income includes deferred income of £171,905 (2022-23: £132,861), of which £171,905 is in relation to events due to take place in the financial year 2024-25.

£	2023-24	2022-23
Trade creditors	0	0
Taxation and social security costs	435	3,218
Total	435	3,218
 Accruals and deferred income		
Accruals for grants payable	-	71,225
Other accruals	15,754	7,365
Deferred income	171,905	132,861
Total	187,659	211,451

15 Analysis of movements in restricted funds

£	As at 1 April 2023	Incoming resources	Transfer from unrestricted	Transfer between funds	Exchange rate differences	Outgoing resources	As at 31 March 2024
African Rhino Specialist Group, Africa	2,312	72,233	1,390	(92)	49	65,854	10,038
Canine unit workshop, Africa	53,622	0	257	0	(825)	35,510	17,544
Indian Rhino Vision 2.0, India	0	15,997	18	0	171	16,186	0
Ujung Kulon National Park, Indonesia	2,314	40,244	29	0	(131)	25,297	17,159
Way Kambas National Park, Indonesia	226	20,085	18	0	0	20,247	82
Sumatran Rhino Sanctuary, Indonesia	15,275	81,633	27	0	(598)	78,499	17,838
Association of Private and community Land Rhino Sanctuaries, Kenya	349,879	845,552	131	(762,094)	8,771	288,272	153,967
Big Life Foundation, Kenya	5	0	0	0	0	0	5
Borana Conservancy, Kenya	266	283,658	2,269	132,459	12	371,070	47,594
Kenya Wildlife Service, Kenya	0	0	168	233,192	0	233,360	0
Lewa Wildlife Conservancy, Kenya	0	92,877	215	103,797	(23)	162,680	34,186
Northern Rangelands Trust, Kenya	0	15,740	14	0	93	15,847	0
Ol Jogi Conservancy, Kenya	8,891	91,993	197	160,911	(198)	211,422	50,372
Ol Pejeta Conservancy, Kenya	0	0	157	81,771	0	81,928	0
Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism, Namibia	258,393	314,017	941	0	(3,085)	336,396	233,870
Save the Rhino Trust, Namibia	5,111	159,134	153	0	(236)	119,119	45,043
Hluhluwe-iMfolozi Park, South Africa	37,109	279,273	1,360	8,181	(372)	230,485	95,066
uMkhuze Game Reserve, South Africa	1,949	89,860	1,636	0	(70)	51,870	41,505
Welgevonden Game Reserve, South Africa	4,791	3,390	0	(8,181)	0	0	0
Follow-the-money investigation, South Africa	1,724	281,697	2,071	0	597	286,089	0
Environmental Investigation Agency, UK	0	19,791	5	0	0	19,796	0
Rhino Resource Center, UK	0	0	1,300	0	0	1,300	0
Education for Nature-Viet Nam	7,113	0	9	0	(169)	6,873	80
TRAFFIC – Viet Nam	10	0	0	0	0	0	10
North Luangwa Conservation Programme, Zambia	329,725	893,452	300	0	(7,542)	1,169,932	46,003
Lowveld Rhino Trust, Zimbabwe	7,351	21,273	508	0	(147)	28,027	958
Subtotal	1,086,066	3,621,899	13,173	(50,056)	(3,703)	3,856,059	811,320
Transfers to fundraising costs	0	0	0	50,056	0	50,056	0
Total	1,086,066	3,621,899	13,173	0	(3,703)	3,906,115	811,320

- The transfers between funds of £9,470 include the exchange differences and the net transfer between these funds is £0.
- 100% of restricted donations/grants etc. are allocated to the specified beneficiary project or programme.
- The transfers from unrestricted funds to restricted are due to the Trustees' having decided to award grants and SRI covering transfer fees from core funds. Refer to the Trustees' report for more details.

- Grants received via the APLRS 'For Rangers' initiative are initially restricted to the APLRS, but are then granted out to a range of beneficiaries, many of which overlap with SRI's priority programmes, but others of which work with different species or locations.
- Similarly, the grant from INL was initially restricted to the APLRS, then granted out to APLRS-51 Degrees, Borana, KWS, Lewa, Ol Jogi and Ol Pejeta.

16 Designated funds

At 31 March 2024, the Trustees had designated £Nil of the unrestricted general funds to be used for specific field programmes.

17 Analysis of net assets between funds

£	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2023-24
Fixed assets	0	0	0
Current assets including prepayments and accrued income	593,273	811,320	1,404,593
Current liabilities including accruals and deferred income	(188,094)	0	(188,094)
Total	405,179	811,320	1,216,499

18 Financial commitments

At the year-end, formal commitments agreed by the Trustees and subject to specific conditions before payment amounted to £nil.

19 Commitments under operating leases

As at 31 March 2024, the charity had non-cancellable operating lease commitments as follows:

£	2023-24	2022-23
Due under 1 year	39,420	39,420
Due in more than one year and not later than 5 years	124,271	163,691
Total	163,691	203,111

20 Related parties

The aggregate employee benefits received by the CEO Cathy Dean April to July 2023 were £6,600 (2022–23: £33,391) and CEO Jo Shaw July 2023 to March 2024 were £68,974.

The CEO and Trustees made donations, merchandise and ticket purchases as follows:

£	2023–24	2022–23
Donations		
Cathy Dean (CEO from April to July 2023)	320	13,047
Jo Shaw (CEO from July 2023 to March 2024)	–	–
Sianne Haldane	180	180
Jim Hearn	–	11,020
Joe Steidl	–	50
George Stephenson	1,400	–
Megan Greenwood	30	–
Merchandise and ticket purchases		
Cathy Dean (CEO from April to July 2023)	3	320
Jo Shaw (CEO from July 2023 to March 2024)	21	–
Sianne Haldane	–	150
Megan Greenwood	250	440
George Stephenson	1,000	300
Joe Steidl	125	–
Claire Curtin	16	–

21 Government grant income

In 2023–24 Save the Rhino International received £Nil (2022–23: £162,374) from the UK Government through the Illegal Wildlife Trade Challenge Fund.

The final grant report was submitted for this project during the year.

Comparative figures

2022-23

Statement of financial activities 2022-23

£	Note ¹	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2022-23	2021-22
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	<u>2</u>	750,781	1,317,939	2,068,720	1,086,032
Charitable activities	<u>3</u>	-	3,195,010	3,195,010	2,225,346
Other trading activities	<u>4</u>	13,818	-	13,818	16,682
Investments		1,929	-	1,929	1,420
Total income		766,528	4,512,949	5,279,477	3,329,480
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	<u>10</u>	547,834	-	547,834	369,288
Charitable activities	<u>5,15</u>	45,607	4,387,299	4,432,906	2,887,447
Other	<u>4</u>	7,239	-	7,239	8,537
Total expenditure		600,680	4,387,299	4,987,979	3,265,272
Net income/(expenditure) for the year		165,848	125,650	291,498	64,208
Transfers between funds	<u>15</u>	(141,284)	141,284	-	-
Net movement in funds for the year		24,564	266,934	291,498	64,208
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		324,490	819,132	1,143,622	1,079,414
Total funds carried forward		349,054	1,086,066	1,435,120	1,143,622

■ The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

■ All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities

Analysis of expenditure 2022–23

£	2022-23				
	Fundraising	Project support and education	Support costs	2022-23	2021-22
Direct fundraising costs					
Marathons	121,129	-	-	121,129	27,957
Other events	40,222	-	-	40,222	35,093
Newsletter, website development and PR	54,710	-	-	54,710	43,440
Total direct fundraising costs	216,061	-	-	216,061	106,490
Personnel costs					
Salaries, training and recruitment costs	201,973	102,446	63,597	368,016	308,964
Overseas travel	-	7,335	-	7,335	11
Office costs					
Rent and rates	31,084	15,767	9,788	56,639	54,853
Office services	2,503	1,270	788	4,561	2,845
Equipment	2,873	1,457	905	5,235	4,540
Telephone and fax	593	301	187	1,081	1,067
Postage	1,772	899	558	3,229	7,481
Stationery	203	103	64	370	210
Support materials	439	223	138	800	800
Other costs					
Travel	332	168	105	605	113
Entertaining	258	131	81	470	280
Legal and professional	-	-	11,480	11,480	18,306
Bank charges	-	-	1,358	1,358	1,273
Depreciation	4,557	2,312	1,435	8,304	8,304
Exchange differences	-	-	(55,436)	(55,436)	(25,388)
Sundries	182	92	57	331	54
Irrecoverable VAT	12,244	6,211	3,855	22,310	18,151
Total personnel, office and other costs	259,013	138,715	38,960	436,688	401,864
Allocation of support costs	72,760	(33,800)	(38,960)	-	-
Total	547,834	104,915	-	652,749	508,354

Analysis of movements in restricted funds 2022–23

£	As at 1 April 2022	Incoming resources	Transfer from unrestricted	Transfer between funds	Exchange rate differences	Outgoing resources	As at 31 March 2023
African Rhino Specialist Group, Africa	5,111	49,179	12,483	-	485	64,946	2,312
Canine unit workshop, Africa	36,500	46,091	91	(12,752)	1,312	17,620	53,622
Indian Rhino Vision 2.0, India	1,690	6,470	18	-	37	8,214	-
Ujung Kulon National Park, Indonesia	1,926	10,598	18	-	160	10,388	2,314
Way Kambas National Park, Indonesia	1,168	5,260	9	-	-	6,211	226
Sumatran Rhino Sanctuary, Indonesia	25,586	23,733	27	-	(101)	33,970	15,275
Association of Private and community Land Rhino Sanctuaries, Kenya	402,192	1,752,847	2,395	(761,228)	21,890	1,068,217	349,879
Big Life Foundation, Kenya	5	-	-	-	-	-	5
Borana Conservancy, Kenya	8,494	202,430	2,220	178,689	540	392,107	266
Kenya Wildlife Service, Kenya	-	-	148	130,038	-	130,186	-
Lewa Wildlife Conservancy, Kenya	-	73,525	657	188,344	(372)	262,154	-
Northern Rangelands Trust, Kenya	-	-	7	285	-	292	-
OI Jogi Conservancy, Kenya	17,296	70,861	166	162,440	1,327	243,199	8,891
OI Pejeta Conservancy, Kenya	-	-	76	42,124	-	42,200	-
Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism, Namibia	222,851	236,796	1,095	-	12,968	215,318	258,392
Save the Rhino Trust, Namibia	1,628	116,902	184	-	(319)	113,284	5,111
Hluhluwe-iMfolozi Park, South Africa	3,740	207,965	17,391	-	(315)	191,672	37,109
uMkhuze Game Reserve, South Africa	3,149	131,175	12,677	-	(168)	144,884	1,949
Welgevonden Game Reserve, South Africa	2,974	1,817	-	-	-	-	4,791
Follow-the-money investigation, South Africa	61,958	389,021	3,685	-	(6,478)	446,462	1,724
Rhino Fund Uganda, Uganda	-	-	10,073	-	-	10,073	-
Environmental Investigation Agency, UK	-	10,491	5	-	(281)	10,215	-
Rhino Resource Center, UK	-	-	1,000	-	-	1,000	-
Education for Nature–Vietnam, Viet Nam	3,460	3,547	-	-	106	-	7,113
TRAFFIC – Viet Nam	10	-	-	-	-	-	10
North Luangwa Conservation Programme, Zambia	17,806	1,146,054	192	12,752	8,934	856,013	329,725
Gonarezhou Conservation Trust, Zimbabwe	1,430	-	14	-	-	1,444	-
Lowveld Rhino Trust, Zimbabwe	158	28,187	36,543	-	385	57,922	7,351
Subtotal	819,132	4,512,949	101,174	(59,308)	40,110	4,327,991	1,086,066
Transfers to fundraising costs	-	-	-	59,308	-	59,308	-
Total	819,132	4,512,949	101,174	-	40,110	4,387,299	1,086,066

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