The Cure & Action for Tay-Sachs (CATS) Foundation is a registered charity in England and Wales (1144543). We provide support, equipment and information to families affected by Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff. In addition, we support the research into a finding a potential treatment for the diseases.

The CATS Foundation is also a founding member of the European Tay-Sachs Charity Consortium (ETSCC – etscc.org) which provides a collective voice in the fight against Tay-Sachs.
“Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It’s not.”

— Dr. Seuss’ The Lorax
“We would like to thank everyone for their support during the charity’s record breaking second year. Together, we have made real progress in our fight against Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease.”

- Trustees of The CATS Foundation
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The trustees of The Cure & Action for Tay-Sachs (CATS) Foundation are pleased to present the second annual review of the charity for the year ending on the 30th June 2013. They confirm that they comply with the requirements of the Charities Act 1993, as amended by the Charities Act 2006 and the Charities Acts 2011, the trust deed and the Charities SORP 2005.

Background to The CATS Foundation
The CATS Foundation was established in June 2011 by Daniel and Patricia Lewi. Their daughter Amelie was diagnosed with Tay-Sachs at fifteen months of age in March 2011 and at the time there was no UK based charity dedicated to providing support for families affected by Tay-Sachs or Sandhoff disease.

What we do at The CATS Foundation
The CATS Foundation’s main focus is supporting families affected by Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff whilst also raising awareness of the diseases. The charity provides a support network, respite trips and vital equipment so that a sufferer’s quality of life is as high as possible.

The CATS Foundation also provides funding to the research team who are investigating a potential treatment for both Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease.

What is Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease?
Tay-Sachs is a genetic disorder caused by a defect in the HEXA gene which produces the beta-hexosaminidase A enzyme. The enzyme is important as it breaks down harmful waste products in the brain and without it these build up and cause extensive damage to the brain’s nerve cells.

Physically, an individual diagnosed with Tay-Sachs will suffer a relentless deterioration of mental and physical abilities and in its most common form the symptoms...
Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff are rare genetic diseases where 1 in 300 people are carriers of the genes in the United Kingdom that causes either of the diseases.

They commence around six months of age and result in death by the age of five.

This form of Tay-Sachs is known as the Infantile variant due to the early onset of symptoms. Juvenile Tay-Sachs affects older children as the symptoms appear in later childhood while Late Onset Tay-Sachs presents in adults.

Sandhoff disease is very similar to Tay-Sachs but the defected gene, called HEXB, does not allow the production of two enzymes (beta-hexosaminidase A and beta-hexosaminidase B). The disease also results in premature death in a sufferer and is classed by its three variants or Infantile, Juvenile and Late Onset.

How common are Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff?

Tay–Sachs and Sandhoff disease are rare and between two and six children a year are born with the diseases in the UK. However, 1 in 300 people are carriers of the genes which cause either Tay-Sachs or Sandhoff disease in the United Kingdom.

Is there a cure or treatment?

Unfortunately there is no cure or treatment currently available for Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff. However, the research team investigating the diseases are very close to finding an effective treatment which could bring some hope to families affected by them.

The unfortunate symptoms of Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff include regular seizures, deteriorating vision leading to blindness, inability to feed independently, deteriorating hearing leading to deafness and an inability to move due to muscle wastage.

At present, caring for children affected by both Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff involves treating the many
Our mission is to provide a complete level of service to a sufferer and their family through equipment, respite trips, support and information.

symptoms which result from the disease. The main focus of this symptomatic treatment is to ensure that the sufferer’s quality of life is as high as possible. We encourage our members to contact the charity if there believe there is a piece of equipment which we can provide that will have a direct impact on this.

Our goal
The charity is determined in finding a way to effectively treat both Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease. This is why we are actively involved with the team leading the research into a potential treatment. Until this is available, we will continue to support all families affected by the disease in any way we can.

Our aims
One of our first tasks when the charity was established was to determine the aims for The CATS Foundation. We had to be aware that these needed to have a public benefit in order for us to be recognized as a charity by the relevant regulators. This led to the following charitable aims being established:

1. Raise awareness of Tay-Sachs and its associated diseases (such as Sandhoff disease) to the public by providing relevant information on our website.
2. Raise money for the research into the diseases for a potential treatment.
3. Provide an information resource center, support network and equipment for families affected by the disease.

Our objectives
With these aims we were able to set the objectives for The CATS Foundation listed in the trust deed document that governs the charity.

The relief of sickness and the preservation of good health among sufferers of Tay-Sachs is the main objective that will be achieved by undertaking the following:

• Support research
Supporting research for the public benefit into the causes, prevention, diagnosis and methods of treatment of Tay-Sachs and publishing the useful results of that research.

• Support families
Provision of a support network for families suffering from the effects of Tay-Sachs including, but not limited to, provision of respite holidays for sufferers and their careers.

• Provide equipment
Purchase of equipment not available on the NHS to alleviate suffering and improve conditions of life.

• Provide finance for treatments
Financing trips at home or overseas for treatment if and when an effective and licensed treatment is found.

In planning our activities we kept in mind the Charity Commission’s guidance on public benefit at our trustee meetings.

One of our main focuses in the first year of the charity was to establish The CATS Foundation and ensure that it becomes the first point of call to those families affected by Tay-Sachs.

This has been, and continues to be one of our main successes and as such, our members of families affected by the disease have increased.

Our highlights in the second year
The CATS Foundation has continued to grow in both the level of support we can provide families and the amount of events we have been able to hold to raise awareness of Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease.

Our community work increased in the second year and we visited more schools to give presentations which led to them undertaking projects for the charity.
New projects have enabled The CATS Foundation to undertake the mammoth task of raising awareness about the diseases to as many people as possible.

We were also able to launch new initiatives in this period which all had the aim of improving the service we provide families along with raising awareness of the charity and diseases.

These initiatives include offering respite trips and establishing a European Tay-Sachs charity specific community.

There were many fundraising events held throughout the year which raised money for The CATS Foundation. Our largest fundraiser was the Ride2Recovery cycle through France which raised over £30,000 whilst we were able to host our first ever charity dinner and dance in Essex.

Our future

The CATS Foundation will continue to focus on supporting families affected by Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease. We believe that the service we provide through respite trips, equipment and information are invaluable and can improve a sufferer’s quality of life.

We will also continue to support the research into a potential treatment for the diseases as this could lead to a brighter outcome for those affected in the future.

Our work at raising awareness will continue to grow and our plan to have The CATS Foundation as the number one charity in the United Kingdom for Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff is now well established.

Our objectives are to raise awareness, support families and fund the research into a treatment.
Launching new initiatives has allowed The CATS Foundation to expand the work we undertake at helping families and raising awareness of the diseases.

Our work
Raising awareness of Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease along with supporting families are the main focus of our activities at The CATS Foundation.

Our second year has seen The CATS Foundation make huge strides in its objectives that were set when the charity was established in 2011.

We have not only been able to increase the amount of events held for the charity but we have also been able to launch new initiatives in how we support families and raise awareness.

**What’s new in year two**

We planned to launch at least one new initiative in our second year in how we support families and also how we raise awareness of Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff. We were actually able to start the following:

- **Provide respite trips**
  We are now able to fund respite trips for families affected by both Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease and who are members of the charity.

- **Establishing a European charity consortium**
  We founded a European consortium with other charities to share information about the diseases and how to support families.

- **Funeral funding**
  We are now able to provide financial support to families with a grant to help cover funeral costs.

**Respite trips**

Offering the opportunity to apply for respite funding gives a family the chance to spend some quality time together in a new environment. We believe this is important and has a direct impact on sufferers, and their families’ quality of life. Our respite funding is slightly different to other funding available as we provide a budget to each family that can be used throughout the year on one large trip or several smaller trips.
As an established charity we are now able to offer families affected by Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease a multitude of items to improve a sufferer's quality of life.

European Tay-Sachs Charity Consortium (ETSCC)
The ETSCC is an initiative led by The CATS Foundation with the aim of creating a unified European voice in raising awareness and funds in the fight against Tay-Sachs. The consortium makes an annual donation to the lead research team and was launched in early 2013. More information can be found at etsc.org.

Funeral funding
We understand that caring for a child affected by a terminal illness can have a financial impact on a family. Due to this, we are now able to offer a grant to be used to cover some of the costs for a sufferer’s funeral. We hope this will provide some comfort that a large proportion of the costs for this can be met.

More events, and more to come
We have been overwhelmed with the support the public has shown in raising money in our fight against Tay-Sachs and Sendoff disease. We have had people run marathons, cycle up mountains, hold coffee mornings and undertake many more events for us.

Family support
Our ability to support families in the second year of the charity has improved a lot from the first year. We are now able to provide vital equipment at the different stages of the diseases. Each child is affected differently by Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff but with our experiences in the last two years we are confident that we have access to equipment which can directly benefit a sufferer’s quality of life.

Read about our highlights
The following sections contain an overview of all the work we undertake at The CATS Foundation.

Providing support
Our mission at The CATS Foundation is to ensure that no family feels unsupported when coping with the diagnosis and management of the diseases.
Equipment

We provided key equipment to many families in our second year, with the aim of improving the quality of life of the individual suffering from Tay-Sachs or Sandhoff.

One of the success stories of our second year has been the charity’s ability to provide a wide variety of equipment to families affected by Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease.

**How it works**

In order to be eligible for help by The CATS Foundation a member of a family has to be affected by Tay-Sachs or Sandhoff disease in the United Kingdom.

Due to the nature of the diseases, each child is affected by the many symptoms at different times of their life. We ask that each family approach us with items they believe will have a direct benefit to their child at the time and the current stage of the disease.

As the NHS provides most of the specialist equipment that a sufferer of Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff require, we focus on items that can improve quality of life.

**Seating solutions**

Having a comfortable seating solution at home is the priority for all families because as the diseases progress a sufferer’s muscle tone and posture is compromised.

The charity researched to find a solution that would not only help small children, but also those who are older and at different stages of the diseases.

We found a product called the P-Pod which is suitable for children and adults of all ages (as it comes in different sizes), which keeps an individual comfortable, and in a good position for their posture.

**A range of products on offer**

We have also provided other practical solutions for families which include car seats, hoists and prams. The charity also focuses on providing interactive items such as sensory toys, swings and vibro cushions.

Ensuring that families have access to all the equipment they need is a priority of the charity.
In our second year we provided 29 pieces of equipment at a total cost of £13,201 to families affected by Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease.

“For some reason, toys and equipment which have been specifically designed for children with special needs always come with a high price tag.

As our special children are unable to play with the usual type of toys, if they didn’t have them they could get bored.

So, we send enormous thanks to all those who continue to support The CATS Foundation for helping to provide these toys for Isabella and for all her other very special friends.”

– Deborah Alford, daughter Isabella diagnosed with Tay-Sachs in 2011
Respite trips

We provided 13 respite trips in our second year after introducing this new initiative to our members in January 2013 and we plan to expand this in years to come.

A new initiative launched by The CATS Foundation in the second year was respite trips for member families. These trips allow each family the opportunity to create new memories with their family without having to worry about the financial costs of the trip.

**How the funding works**

As the trustees of the charity we set a budget per family who we support. Each family then manages this budget in that they could use the total amount on one trip or on small trips throughout the year. All each family has to do is contact us with the cost of their trip, the trustees approve them and the charity funds it directly.

We fully understand that in some cases going on a trip as a family does not mean that the parents actually get a break. Due to this, families can use the respite fund to pay for other family members of friends to help with the caring of their child whilst they are away on the holiday.

Before a trip is booked we insist that each family takes out a form of travel insurance to cover the costs. Without this, the charity will not fund a respite trip.

**A twist to other respite services**

The big difference between our respite trip offering and other charities is that we provide a budget per family that can be used throughout the year. This gives each family the opportunity to use their budget allocation how they see fit. Due to the nature of the diseases, in the early stages a long two-week trip as a family may be the best use of the funds while in the later stages a weekend break for the parents on their own may be more appropriate. The key to the service is that each family has the opportunity to feel in control of their trips.

Enabling families to spend quality time together is one of the charity’s goals.
In our second year we provided respite trips for five separate families who either took multiple respite trips throughout the year or one larger trip.

Respite trips in numbers
As a new initiative we were delighted with the response and success of the respite trips we could offer families. Although the service was only introduced in January 2013 we have been able to fund thirteen different trips for five different families.

Our budget of £3,000 per family allows for a family to feel that there is sufficient funding for the majority of trips. The trustees all agreed on this amount before the funding was launched and each family was given an information pack about the funding.

The respite trip funding accounts for twelve percent of our overall costs and we believe this number will increase as more families use the service available to them.

“When the CATS foundation announced a holiday fund we couldn’t have been happier. The fund was there to be spent how we wished, we could take Archie or we could use it as respite. We choose to use the fund for respite.

We contacted the charity and were off on a short break within a week. Stress free and a perfect weekend away to recharge our batteries and spend some quality together.”

− Lauren Watson, son Archie diagnosed with Tay-Sachs in 2012
Research

We contributed £35,000 to the research team as they work towards finding a viable treatment for Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease.

We are fully committed to supporting the research team based in Cambridge and led by Professor Timothy Cox. They are working towards a potential treatment for Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease.

Contributing to the team
One of our main objectives is providing a yearly financial donation. In our first year we provided a grant of £5,000 which accounted for thirty five percent of our outgoing costs for the year.

In our second year we have been able to increase this to £35,000 and this accounts for thirty eight percent of our outgoing costs for year two.

Our close links with Professor Cox and his team means that we only provide a grant to his teams work when they are unable to secure funding from other larger organizations or sources.

The progress of the research
The research team has been making amazing progress in their work. During our second year we were waiting on the outcome of a grant proposal to the UK Medical Research Council for a grant to cover the costs of starting a trial which could lead to a treatment for Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff.

We were pleased to find out that the application had been successful and the team has been awarded £2.84 million so they can begin planning and starting the trial in the next two to three years. This time frame will enable them to put together the most effective way at undertaking the trial and ensuring its success.

The charity’s work in relation to supporting the research team will shift slightly and we will begin provide funding for individual aspects of the teams work as and when they need additional funding.

Supporting the research into a potential treatment for Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff is one of our big objectives.
In our second year we made our largest ever donation of £35,000 to the research team. This amount was seven times more than what we gave in year one.

“The support The CATS Foundation has provided my team has been instrumental in us being in the position to start a potential trial for Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff.

The role of the charity will continue to be prominent in the planning of this trial.

We are looking forward to continuing our close working relationship with The CATS Foundation in the coming months and years.”

– Professor Timothy Cox, Cambridge University

Research in numbers
We were delighted to be able to provide a £35,000 donation to the research team. This substantial donation was a huge increase to our year one grant of £5,000.

Our total donation to date to the research team is £40,000 and this has all gone towards vital aspects of the teams work to enable them to secure funding from the UK Medical Research Council.

This total contribution also accounts for just under forty percent of our overall costs in the last two years and is the amount we had budget to continue to the research team during these periods.

We believe that the work the team is undertaking will allow for a trial to start in the near future and provide hope to families.
An ever-growing supporter base has enabled The CATS Foundation to raise vital funds and awareness about Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease all over the world.

In our first year we managed to build a loyal following of charity supporters who held regular events to raise money in the fight against Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff. We are incredibly proud to say that in our second year we have had an increase in the events held for us.

No event is too big or too small
As a small, but growing charity we encourage, and are involved in nearly all the events being held for The CATS Foundation. We understand and appreciate that when the charity was launched we were reliant on smaller events to help us raise our profile.

We always provide as much support, help and guidance to anyone holding a smaller event for The CATS Foundation to ensure it is a great success. This includes providing charity materials, an online listing of the event on our website and merchandise.

For larger events we are building a reputation of providing bespoke charity materials and merchandise so that the event has an extra special feel. For our CATS 10K Challenge event we produced running tops for everyone who took part in the challenge with a logo designed especially for the event. We plan to offer this to more events in the future where a slightly different logo reflecting the event is appropriate. In addition, people taking part in cycling, running, golfing or other similar events can purchase charity tops for their event.

A variety is key
We are keen to promote the charity to as many people as possible which is why we are happy there have been a huge variety of events held for the charity. Some of our supporters are keen runners so we have held a few running events, including large
Our supporters have held a variety of events for The CATS Foundation which has ranged from riding through the mountains of France to holding cake sales at work.

participation at marathons, to raise funds and awareness.

However, we have just as many supporters who are keen bakers and we have had many cake sales held for us. The key is that we do not want to discourage any one from taking part in any sort of event for The CATS Foundation and that we will always provide as much support as we can.

**Getting involved**

People can hold any sort of event for The CATS Foundation and all they have to is contact us via the website or social media if they require any fundraising materials.

We believe we make it simple for people to hold events for us and by giving them guidance on how to run certain aspects can help put on a great event which they, and the charity can be proud of.

**Future events**

We have been busy planning some larger events to take place in our third year. With The CATS 10K Challenge finishing in July 2013 we want to establish another long-term event for people to be involved with.

Also, the success of our first charity dinner has resulted in us arranging another one that we hope will help the charity gain new supporters.

A range of events is key at getting as many supporters as possible involved with
Ride2Recovery

In August 2012 a group of cyclists set off on an epic cycling challenge through the mountains of France to raise money for The CATS Foundation.

In 2009, a group of cyclists exceeded their own expectations by raising over £100,000 and completing a challenge that at the time looked an unlikely feat. Cycling for six days for over six hundred miles to many of them felt impossible and only through hard training and support for a friend in need ensured they successfully reached Morzine in one piece and all together.

In 2012, the same group decided to go one step further and continue their journey where they left off. Ride2Recovery II saw them start from Morzine on 26th August and cycle for six days along the Route Des Grandes Alpes finishing in Menton outside of Nice.

The route
The route itself saw them take on seventeen of the highest Cols in the French Alps and indeed many of the famous climbs that feature each year in the famous Tour De France.

The link to the charity
The organizers of Ride2Recovery are friends with the founders of The CATS Foundation and wanted to show their support to the charity. So, when planning the event they wanted to raise money for the charity along with causes they supported in their original Ride2Recovery in 2009.

A successful fundraiser
The team were able to complete the ride within the six days and there were some tired legs which cycled into Nice.

The team were able to raise over £30,000 for the charity which is a phenomenal amount and will go a long way in the fight against Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease.

“We are proud to have raised so much money for such a fantastic cause.” – Michael Goodbody, event participant
Charity football game

In September 2012 our second annual charity football game was held between The CATS Foundation and Geordie's Giants.

In 2011 one of the earliest large events held for The CATS Foundation was the first charity football game. The event was a great success and has resulted in the football game becoming an annual event held in London.

The game
The match was once again played at Westway Sports Centre in West London and attracted another large crowd. All the players who took part made a donation of £20 to the charity whilst the supporters were all asked to make a £5 donation.

The big change in the second year was the new football kit that the charity provided. We were able to get our own football strip made in the charity's colors where each shirt had “Tay-Sachs” above the squad number.

The match itself was played in very warm conditions and resulted in a win for the Geordie's Giants. Unfortunately, they now lead The CATS Foundation 0-2 in the series of games between the two teams.

Post game entertainment
Once the game was finished and pictures had been taken both teams and the supporters headed to a local bar for a post match drink. We gave a presentation to everyone which included an update on the progress of the charity and handed out the prizes for the day. After the presentations there was a raffle where some of the prizes included weekends away and the chance to play golf at some of the best courses in Essex.

A huge success
Once again, the charity football game was a huge success in raising funds for The CATS Foundation and awareness of the charity and the diseases.

“I wanted to arrange the annual football matches for charity as I think football is something that brings people together.” – Simon Beauchamp, event organizer
Charity golf and dinner dance

In October 2012 the first Charity Golf and Dinner Dance was held for The CATS Foundation at Stock Brook Manor in Billericay, Essex.

During our first year we began to research how it would be possible to host a golf day and dinner to raise funds for the charity. The team who arranged the event for the charity were able to set a date for the golf day and dinner on in October 2012.

A golling success
After much promotional work relating to the event we were able to fill the golf course at the venue Stock Brook Manor. We had over eighty players take part in the golf competition itself whom had all made a donation to the charity to take part.

An impressive venue
Stock Brook Manor has a championship golf course which means it is of the highest standard. The venue is also a magnificent setting to host a dinner and we were fortunate to have such great service from the team who supported us at Stock Brook Manor.

They not only ensured that the venue was branded with plenty of charity materials, but they also made sure that everyone who attended had a great time.

A large auction
We were fortunate to have many items donated to the charity so they could be used in the auction which was held during the evening. These items included various sporting memorabilia, collectable wine and day out experiences. The evening also had a raffle where the highlight was the opportunity for someone to win two flights to New York.

A great experience
The charity is grateful to everyone who came along to the event. We were able to raise awareness of Tay-Sachs and the charity to a new audience whilst also raising a lot of money. This is invaluable in our fight against Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease.

“All the work which went into putting on the event was rewarded with a great night.” – Matthew Lewi, event organizer
The CATS 10K Challenge

Every day for an entire year someone different completed a ten-kilometer run for The CATS Foundation to raise awareness of the charity.

The CATS 10K Challenge is an event which has had the largest participation of any held for the charity. In total, the event has raised over £8,000 that has gone directly to our fight against Tay-Sachs.

What is The CATS 10K Challenge

Starting on the 27th July 2012 a different individual has completed a ten-kilometer run as part of The CATS 10K Challenge every single day. The challenge finished one year later and we have been overwhelmed with the response and numbers of people who have take part in running the distance.

We had planned to get one person to complete a run for each day but due to the total number of people signed up to take part there have been many days where more than one runner has taken part.

People were able to sign up through a simple form online where after making a minimum £10 donation they were sent a vest to wear during their run. All we asked was that people take a photo of themselves wearing their vest so we could put these together on the charity’s website.

Over 600 runners in every continent

Due to the large numbers of people who took part in the challenge we have seen our event running vests appear in many countries.

We have had runners from the United States, Australia, South Africa, Portugal, Norway, Argentina and many other countries take part. This shows the global awareness we have been able to achieve with The CATS 10K Challenge.

The use of social media helped us spread the word about the challenge and was one of the reasons we were able to recruit so many people to take part in the event.

“This event has helped us raise awareness and show that the charity can help others.” – Daniel Lewi, event organiser
In addition to the larger events which were mentioned on the previous pages, we have had many other people take part in various challenges for The CATS Foundation. A selection of these can be found below and all of them raised funds in our fight against Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff.

**Brighton Marathon**

In April 2013 we had six runners take part in the Brighton Marathon. This race is the second largest marathon in the UK and all our runners completed the event on a hot and sunny day.

There were many charity supporters there on the day to cheer on our runners and this made the atmosphere much more special. In total, the group raised over £5,000 which is a fantastic amount for the charity.

**TGA 3 Peaks Challenge**

In July 2012 the team of five from TGA took part and completed the 3 Peaks Challenge in 23 hours 29 minutes where the funds raised went to The CATS Foundation. According to the tram, a couple of the highlights were watching the sun set on Ben Nevis and the sunrise on Scafell.

The TGA team were able to raise over £2,000 and we would like to thank the team for thinking about The CATS Foundation as the charity they decided to support.

**The Spring Caerphilly Zumbathon**

In April 2012 a three-hour Zumbathon was arranged for the charity and held in Caerphilly, Wales to raise funds for The CATS Foundation. The event was attended by over twenty people who all made a donation to the charity to take part in the Zumbathon on the day.

Kelly and all the people who took part were able to raise over £1,000 which is an amazing amount and the people who took part were all wearing charity clothing.

**London to Brighton Cycle**

We have five cyclists take part in the annual London to Brighton Cycle for The CATS Foundation in June 2013 on a hot Sunday morning. Although the ride took longer than they all expected, they all agreed that the views on the way to Brighton were spectacular.

Altogether, the group were able to raise over £3,000 for the charity. This will enable the charity to continue the work it has been doing in supporting families
In our second year there were over one hundred events held for the charity which accounted for 99% of the charity’s income during this period.

“Fundraising events are the charity’s main source of income and are vital in helping us meet our charitable objectives.

Without this support, we would not have been able to make as much progress and achieved as much as we have in our second year.

I would like to thank everyone who has held an event for the charity. Your support and dedication is both deeply appreciated and humbling.”

– Patricia Durao, Co-founder & Trustee of The CATS Foundation

Fundraising events in numbers

Our second year has been very successful and we have been able to raise nearly four hundred percentage more than in our first year of the charity. As we did not receive any grants during this period, fundraising accounts for nearly all our incoming costs.

The largest fundraising event held for the charity was the Ride 2 Recovery team who managed to raise £32,551. This is an amazing amount, and is currently the highest amount raised for the charity at one event since we launched The CATS Foundation.

Our largest participation event was The CATS 10K Challenge which had over six hundred people take part. This event has really helped the charity with raising awareness to a new audience.

£122,376 Total fundraising in second year

£32,551 Largest fundraising event

£57,409 Total raised on Justgiving

631 Runners in CATS 10K

100+ Events held

99% Of income

353% Increase in fundraising
Raising awareness of Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease has enabled the charity to become a source of reliable information to the general public.

One of our main aims at The CATS Foundation is to raise awareness of Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease. In order to achieve this we undertake many events which are focused on educating people about the charity and the diseases.

All of our fundraising events have helped us raise awareness but we have also held some events which have a primary goal of awareness raising rather than raising funds for the charity.

Annual general meeting (AGM)
In our second year we set ourselves the target of holding an annual general meeting where everyone involved with The CATS Foundation and who support us had the opportunity to hear about our progress. We held the event in October 2012 in central London and were joined by the research team, family members, and supporters of the charity.

The AGM was a huge success and by holding this event we were able to get experts in the diseases, families affected and those who have an interest in what we do all in one room. By providing our highlights from year one we were able to show the progress that the charity has made and we now plan to hold these meetings every year.

Our supporting schools
We focused on cementing the relationships we have with schools that have supported the charity in the past. Trinity School in Lewisham is a secondary school who have taken part in projects for us while Nightingale School in Woolwich is a primary school who have supported the charity since we were established.

At both of these schools we have been invited in regularly to give assembly’s to the students about the work the charity does and what Tay-Sachs and...
Our partner schools have helped the charity raise awareness of the diseases to people who would otherwise not know about both Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff.

Sandhoff disease are. After our introduction to Trinity School we were fortunate to be invited to a Christmas Carol concert in December 2012 to give a short reading in front of the parents of the students. This event was also a fundraiser where the money raised was donated to the charity.

**Season’s greetings card completion**

To raise awareness of the charity we undertook a competition with all the students at Nightingale Primary School. We asked all the pupils at the school to design a season’s greeting card where we would choose certain designs to be printed professionally and used as our official card for the holiday period.

As every pupil at the school took part we had many designs to choose our winners from. We decided to select two cards and we visited Nightingale Primary School to announce who the winners were during an assembly with the final printed cards. The winners were Manpreet in year three and Elf in year four and they were presented with their prizes of books.

We had two thousand of the cards produced (a thousand of each design) and these were made available for our supporters to use during the holiday period by making a donation to the charity. We managed to get orders for nearly all of these cards which made the competition a huge success.

**Thank you card project**

We were asked by Trinity School to approach them with any ideas we had which their students could be involved in to help raise awareness of the charity and the diseases. We decided that we would like them to be involved in a “thank you card project” where we would choose designs to get printed.
Our supporters have held a variety of events for The CATS Foundation which has ranged from riding through the mountain of France to hold cake sales at work.

One of the year ten art classes were selected to take part in the project as part of their coursework and we were invited into the school to give a presentation about what the project was about. We gave a design brief to the students which they used to create their cards.

We were invited back into the school to choose the designs we wanted to use as “thank you” cards and we were very impressed with the concepts that the students had produced. We decided to use four designs, one each by Vittorio Bray, Abdulahi Onipede, Ibukun Olaitan and Tyese Powell which were all different representations of the design brief we provided them with.

**Pics Pins**

Another group of pupils from Trinity School were the winners of Design Ventura, the London Design Museum’s design and enterprise competition, challenging students from years 9, 10 and 11 to design a product for the Design Museum Shop. Their design, called “Pics Pins” are sets of architectural badges that feature the following structures: Big Ben, The Shard, BT Tower and Nelson’s Column. Each badge features a different section of a building so that you can ‘pic and mix’ to create your own unique building.

We were invited to the launch of the products as we were ether chosen charity that will receive the profits of the sale of the badges.

Every awareness raising event helps us grow as a charity.
In our second year we have had over one hundred individual events held for the charity which have directly raised awareness of Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff.

“We have worked incredibly hard to raise awareness of Tay-Sachs, Sandhoff and the charity itself to as many people as possible.

The support we have received from schools and local communities has been very overwhelming and we are extremely grateful for this.

We hope to continue building on these relationships and start new ones as the charity grows.”

– Daniel Lewi, Co-founder & Trustee of The CATS Foundation
Our successful fundraising in year two has meant we have raised more than 200% than in year one. This increase is due to more events being held for the charity and many more donations to the work we undertake at The CATS Foundation. Due to having an increase in our incoming resources it has meant our outgoing costs have also increased. This is because we have been able to meet more of our charitable objectives and provide support to more families affected by Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease.

More families means more support required

As The CATS Foundation has become the established Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff specific charity in the UK we have seen an increase in our family membership. This is because more historical cases of the diseases are joining us while new cases now have a direct charity they can turn to for support.
In year two our incoming resources have enabled the charity to meet its charitable objectives through everyone’s generosity.

**Our fundraising income**

Our incoming resources have mainly come from direct donations to the charity or from JustGiving. These two sources account for 96% of our coming resources and are from either events held for The CATS Foundation or general donations.

In our second year we also started using another online donation service called BT MyDonate although this is not used as extensively as JustGiving.

Our standing orders only accounted for 1% of our incoming resources.

Our second year was also the first time that we were able to claim Gift Aid on donations made to the charity retrospectively since we were established.

**A yearly increase**

Our second year has seen a large increase in the charity’s incoming resources compared to the previous year.

Our donations directly to the charity (which also includes those events who did not raise money online) have more than doubled in this period.

This was also the first complete year that the charity had used JustGiving and this is why there was a huge increase in funds received through this service.

The only disappointing aspect of our incoming resources is that our standing orders decreased in our second year. This is an area we plan to work on by getting more supporters to make regular donations.
Our outgoing costs have risen significantly in our second year as we now have more members who we support and we made a larger contribution to the research.

**Our outgoing costs breakdown**

The largest proportion of our outgoing costs was our donation to the research team. This amounted for just under the 40% we budgeted for in this year.

Our event costs are made up of commitments to ensure that certain events can be held. These are then generally covered by the fundraising during the event.

Our equipment costs and respite trips show that nearly 30% of our costs go to items directly to help a sufferer and their quality of life. Unfortunately, as we lost two children this year we have had to use our funeral fund grant of £1,500 twice.

Our administration costs are general costs which all relate to the running of the charity.

**Higher outgoings supporting families**

Due to the significant increase in our incoming resources it has meant we have been able to achieve more of our charitable objectives.

Our research donation was six times more than it was in the first year and the equipment which we provided sufferers was also a lot higher. The second year has also seen the introduction of the charity offering respite trips and a funeral fund to families.

Even though the charity has increased in size in terms of the families it supports, the work it undertakes and the administration it required, these costs have only had a marginal increase. They now account for 7% of the total costs while in the first year they accounted for over 20%.
The performance of our second year has seen the charity raise over £150,000 since The CATS Foundation was launched in 2011.

“It has been a phenomenal year of fundraising for the charity and we have been able to launch new initiatives off the back of it.

Without the continued support of the public we would not be in such a strong position and be able to offer so much to all of the families we support.

We hope to be able to offer our services for the foreseeable future as well as begin launching new initiatives to families.”

− Llywelyn ap Gwilym, Trustee of The CATS Foundation

Accounts in numbers

Our second year has been very successful and we have been surpasses all our expectations by raising over £100,000 during the year. This enabled us to make a record-breaking research donation whilst also offering our new initiatives to families we support.

Although the charity has grown significantly during the year we were still able to keep all costs to manageable level, and all our administration costs and only marginally higher than they were in the first year.

Increasing our incoming resources has had a direct impact on our outgoing costs in relation to helping families and this is something we want to continue with in the future.
To ensure we complete our work to the highest standards we have set certain policies which cover meeting our charitable objectives.

In order for us to meet our charitable objectives we had to have certain policies put in place. These allow us to set our standards for making grants to the research team and ensuring we can always meet our goals by having a reserve policy. We also have policies regarding the respite trip and funeral funding we offer families who are affected by the diseases.

With these vital policies in place safeguarding the future of The CATS Foundation we will be able to continue supporting families affected by Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease.

**Reserve policy**

Our reserve policy is based on the charity being able to provide some level of support to families affected by Tay-Sachs. We have set a policy that requires:

- Reserves to be maintained at a level which ensures that the charity’s core activity could continue during a period of unforeseen difficulty.
- A proportion of reserves be maintained in a readily realisable form.

Therefore, we have set a minimum of £20,000 to be held in the charity bank account to ensure we are able to maintain running the charity and meeting the main objectives set for the charity. The break down of our reserves is shown below:

- **Research donation**
  - £8,000 (40% of reserve)
- **Providing equipment**
  - £6,000 (30% of reserve)
- **Respite trips**
  - £3,000 (15% of reserve)
- **Administration costs**
  - £3,000 (15% of reserve)
Our policies have enabled The CATS Foundation to continue offering its complete range of services to its member families.

This reserve break down will allow us to meet a minimum level of our charitable objectives if there is a significant decrease in our donations during our third year. The reserve at the end of our second year however was £45,516 which is higher than stated in our reserves policy. This high amount is due to a successful year of fundraising where we had over a three hundred percent increase in donations compared to our previous year. As is our standard practice, the reserve policy will be reviewed on a yearly basis depending on our activity levels and fundraising.

**Research grant making policy**

Our research grant making policy is based on our donations to the research into a potential treatment for Tay-Sachs. In order for us to make a grant we take advice from Professor Timothy Cox who leads this team.

We have an agreement with Professor Cox that The CATS Foundation will provide grants to his work if he is unable to get funding another source. This means that our primary focus will always be supporting families affected by the disease. A grant is only requested once there is a specific part of a project for the charity to fund.

Our year one grant to Professor Cox and his team of £5,000 enabled the ethics proposal to start the clinical trial to begin. Our year two donation of £35,000 has enabled the team to begin planning the next stage of establishing certain criteria for the trial.

One of our main focuses in the first year of the charity was to establish The CATS Foundation and ensure that it becomes the first point of call to those families affected by Tay-Sachs and this has continued into the second year of the charity.

**Respite trip funding policy**

Our respite trip funding policy is based on an allocation basis per family who are a member of The CATS Foundation. To become a member, families complete a short form which contains their contact details and the way their family is affected by Tay-Sachs or Sandhoff disease.

Each family is allocated £3,000 which can be used for respite trips through the financial year of the charity (1st July 2012 to 30th June 2013). Before booking a trip the family must email the trustees with the costs and type of trip they are planning and it is up to the trustees to approve or refuse to provide funding.

Only trips which are covered by a travel insurance policy are funded and evidence of this is required before funding is given. Only direct family members can apply for respite funding (i.e. the affected individual, their parents or main career). All costs are approved by the trustees and they reserve the right to refuse funding if the trip does not fall within the framework of what the charity deems as a respite trip.

As respite trips were first offered in the second year we did not set an overall budget to be used on this funding, but did it on a case-by-case basis where the maximum each family could claim was £3,000.

As part of our reserve policy we have based this on the minimum of offering a reduced amount per member family. This total would be £500 for six families totaling £3,000. Although this amount is substantially less than our planned maximum per family, we feel that if there is a reduction in donations in our third year we will still be able to offer this respite funding to our member families, but at a reduced rate.

**Funeral funding policy**

Our funeral funding policy is a grant we offer to each family who lose a child to Tay-Sachs or Sandhoff disease. To be eligible, the child must be a resident of the UK.

The charity offers £1,500 which is to be used towards funeral costs. This grant cannot be used for anything else and we provide it in good faith that the families will use the money in this way and for this purpose.
We plan to build on our success in the first two years of the charity so we can continue supporting families affected by Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease.

We have gained a lot of momentum in our second year and this has helped establish The CATS Foundation as the number one Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease charity in the UK. This has meant that new families have had a place to turn to for information and support which are our key objectives.

**A European agenda**

By launching the ETSCC we have been able to reach out and interact with other European Tay-Sachs specific charities. One of our big pans for the third year of the charity is to establish this consortium so we have a working group within Europe.

This will enable The CATS Foundation, and other charities to work together in providing the best support to families as we can share ideas on equipment and therapies. We believe that this collaboration will be invaluable to our members.

**A treatment moves a step closer**

With the recent good news regarding the funding provided by the UK Medical Research Council it means we are closer to beginning a trial for a potential treatment for Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease. There are plans for the charity to become heavily involved in the trial in terms of selection, format and support of the families taking part. This shows how far the charity has come since it was launched in 2011.

Before the trial begins we will continue to support the research team with any funding they require. We believe that the majority of the costs have already been met and we may then be required to fund only specific aspects of the trial which are not covered. We are working towards a timeframe of the trial beginning in the next two to three years, and until then we will continue to provide support to families.

We are dedicated, along with all our supporters, to holding many events throughout the year to raise the profile of The CATS Foundation.
The CATS Foundation will continue to provide as much support to families affected by Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease.

A standard list of equipment
Since the charity was founded in 2011 we have been contacted by thirteen different families who have had a new diagnosis of Tay-Sachs or Sandhoff. Through providing equipment to them all, we are beginning to put together a list of equipment which we will make available to families as the diseases progress. This means they will all have access to toys, seating solutions, bath aids, swings and many other items which can dramatically improve quality of life of a sufferer.

Reaching new audiences
We plan to begin promoting the charity in more innovative ways so we can attract new supporters of and also make people aware of whom we are. As a rare disease not everyone affected by the diseases may not know that there is a dedicated charity in the UK providing information and support.

Continuing our work
For our third year we do not want to lose the momentum we have gained since we were launched. We believe it is important that The CATS Foundation sticks to its principals and continues to meet its goals and objectives. The CATS Foundation is determined to be involved in finding a treatment for Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff and we will not stop until this has been found.

The future for The CATS Foundation is exciting as we are now close to starting a trial for a potential treatment.
I report on the Accounts of the Trust for the year ended 30 June 2013, which are set out on pages 37 to 41.

This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity’s trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner’s report for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity’s trustees for my examination work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner
The charity’s trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity’s trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and than an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

• To examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
• To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
• To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner’s report
My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with these records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and the seeking of explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a “true and fair view” and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner’s statement
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention

i. Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
   a. To keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
   b. To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirement s of the 2011 Act

Have not been met; or

ii. To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Peter Wallyn FCA
Thorton Springer LLP
Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditors
67 Westlow Street
London
SE129 3RW
# Statement of Financial Activities

For the period ended 30 June 2013

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## Income and expenditure

### Incoming resources

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## Resources expended

| Charitable activities | 3 | 67,430 | 67,430 | 6,352 |
| Costs of generating funds | 4 | 24,619 | 24,619 | 4,700 |
| Governance costs | 5 | 750 | 750 | 3,000 |
| Total resources expended | | 92,799 | 92,799 | 14,052 |

## Net movement in funds

| Fund balances brought forward | 20,629 | 20,629 | - |
| Fund balances carried forward | 50,206 | 50,206 | 20,629 |

There were no recognised gains or losses other than the net movement in funds for the period.

The net movement in funds for the period arises from continuing activities.
## Balance sheet

At 30 June 2013

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Approved by the trustees on 26/5/14 and signed on their behalf by

Daniel Lewi - Trustee
1) Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice “Accounting and Reporting by Charities”, issued in March 2005, applicable accounting standards and the Charities Act 2011.

These accounts are for the first period of the charity following its incorporation on the 4th November 2011.

a. Donations

All donations are accounted for on the accruals basis.

b. Resources expended

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance costs are the cost of the independent examination of the financial statements for the charity.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the SOFA on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource.

c. Grants

Grants payable are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period in which they have been approved by the Trustees and committed

d. Funds

Unrestricted funds are funds which can be used in accordance with the charity’s objects at the discretion of the trustees.

2) Income

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3a) Costs of activities in furtherance of the charity's objectives

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**Total charitable activities**

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3b) Grants

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7) **Governance costs**

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<td>Independent Examination Fees</td>
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The trustees did not receive any remuneration or expenses in the period. There were no paid employees for the period.

6) **Costs of generating funds**

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The accrued income relates to gift aid claimed retrospectively.

5) **Creditors – amounts falling due within one year**

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An ever-growing supporter base has enabled The CATS Foundation to raise vital funds and awareness about Tay-Sachs all over the world.

Financial statements
The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the trust deed and the Charities SORP 2005.

Charity objects
The charity’s objects are focused on the relief of sickness and the preservation of good health among sufferers of Tay-Sachs through supporting families, research and distributing information about the disease.

Governing document
The Cure & Action for Tay-Sachs (CATS) Foundation is governed by a trust deed dated October 2011.

Charity number
1144543 in England and Wales.

Registered office
94 Milborough Crescent, Lee, London SE12 0RW.

Trustees
There are currently five trustees, who are; Patricia Durao Lewi, Llywelyn ap Gwilym, Daniel How, Daniel Lewi and Kathryn Lewi.

Bankers
Lloyds Bank, 15 Blackheath Village, Blackheath, London SE3 9LH.

Independent examiner
Thornton Springer LLP, 67 Westow Street, London, SE19 3RW.

Statement of trustees’ responsibilities
The trustees are responsible for the preparation of financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the charity’s incoming resources and application of resources during the year, and of its state of affairs at the period end. In preparing these financial statements the trustees are required to:-
As an established charity we are now able to offer families affected by Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease a multitude of items to improve a sufferer's quality of life.

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice 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 operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which 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. They are also responsible for safeguarding the charity’s assets and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and breaches of law and regulations.

**Risk**

The Trustees have considered all risks and procedures are put in place to mitigate these risks.

**Signing of the Trustees’ report**

On completion of this report one of our trustees is required to sign that the information contained within it is both accurate and a true reflection of our work.

Daniel Lewi
Trustee

Our mission at The CATS Foundation is to ensure that no family feels unsupported when coping with the diagnosis and management of the diseases.
As our supporter base grows we have been able to raise awareness of the diseases to a larger audience who in turn have shown support to the charity.

We would not have been able to achieve as much as we did in our second year with all the backing of all of our supporters.

Each and every one of them has helped create a platform from which the charity has been able to develop. This has resulted in us being able to provide a high level of support to all our family members who are affected by Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff.

We are totally committed in the fight against the diseases and will not give up until a viable treatment is widely available to all those who suffer from Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease. Until this is happened, we will continue to support all the research which is undertaken to find a treatment.

The news we received regarding the funding for the research team is very encouraging, but it does not mean the charity can stop its work. We have been, and always will be totally committed to supporting families in any way we can.

Thank you everyone

Finally, we would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has, and continues to support The CATS Foundation. The future is now brighter for families affected by the diseases and you give us strength in our fight against Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease.

Thank you

We are grateful to everyone who has, and continues to support The CATS Foundation as their support has enabled us to meet our charitable goals.

Patricia Durao, Kathryn Lewi, Daniel How, Daniel Lewi and Llywelyn ap Gwilym
Trustees of The CATS Foundation
Without your support The CATS Foundation would never have been able to grow to become the leading Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease charity in the UK.

2011
The charity was launched in June and thirty runners joined us for our first event...

2012
...the charity started to grow with more events...

2013
...and continues to grow.
Fighting Tay-Sachs
And winning.

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