



Annual Report 2009-2010



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ESDEG WOULD LIKE TO THANK:

- Our volunteers
- Tutors
- Our friends
- And our funders, donors and sponsors.



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About Us

Education and Skills Development Group is a non-profit making charity organisation (public limited company by guarantee). The organisation was officially incorporated on 24 November 2005. The establishment of organisation was initiated by group of professionals who were already actively involved and have been in the service of the community for a long time. After a period of consultation with the community and would be service users including parents and carers it has become apparent that today's needs require sustained action and the best way of addressing it is to set up a constituted body, equally run and manage by professionals, service users and the community.

Board of Director's Statement

The Directors of the **Educations and Skills Development Groups** would like to thank everyone that contributed to the success of charity , from the volunteers who sacrificed their valuable resources to the director for his able, thoughtful and innovative management of the organisation and are happy to present this report and accounts for the year ended **30 November 2010**, which represents that it has been a year of great challenges, growth and achievements.

ESDEG's tradition is to respond to local educational needs of refugees and BME children; we have been able to work with local schools, social services, parents, carers/guardians and the community in general. This policy of widening partnership and collaboration will continue next year. We are already in mapping exercises to explore other areas where the need is greatest and will take action shortly.



On our last meeting we had said that our successes would be the reflection of the efforts we made, and that turned out to be the case today. We as directors and volunteers made a relentless effort by setting the necessary foundations for running and sustaining an effective organisation and delivering effective services. Our efficient work ensured that the donated money provides the best possible benefit to our youth, the elderly and the community at large. The end results of that effort are highly encouraging .

ESDEG's Overall Services

Our service provided at the Centre is varied and is driven by our client's needs. The range of client's difficulty handled included education, training, housing, employment and job search, immigration and welfare benefits. Also included are Referring clients to GPs, Hospitals, Home Office, Housing offices, Job Centres, Social Services and other agencies. A total of **125** clients received advice this year, this includes both telephone and face-to-face advice.

<u>Services (Total no of clients = 0000)</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Advice and Guidance	125	28.8
Supplementary school students	180	41.5
Training and development Project (i.e. Refugee Teachers)	57	13.13
Work experience and volunteer opportunities	33	7.6
Local Elders Club	39	8.98
Total	434	100%



Our Achievements 2009 –2010

- ◆ Managed, resourced and run 3 supplementary schools; over 160 pupils/students supported in key curriculum subjects in the tuition centres
- ◆ Running refugee elders project; supported over **40** elders once in a week
- ◆ Provided guidance and counselling and mentoring local children
- ◆ Promoted the integration of refugee children and their families in to mainstream schools and services
- ◆ Provided consultancy support to parents, schools and LEA to matters relating to refugee children access to curriculum and refugee parents involvement in schools and education of their children
- ◆ Provided **33** of volunteering opportunities

Key Projects

Supplementary schools

We are currently running three supplementary schools, the Dominion Arts & Education Centre, Viking primary school and Convent way Community Centre. The organization coordinated and managed these supplementary schools giving extra learning support to pupils who register and monitored their progress. This year we supported over **180** pupils students raising their academic achievement, self-esteem and social skills.

We have also empowered and improved the parents' participation of their children's education. For the short period we had been running these schools it made great deal of difference in academic achievement and social skills of so many young people and the feedback we received from the parents, schools, community and the service users is overwhelmingly encouraging. It is most rewarding to see how much children are enjoying the tuition of the dedicated tutors who speak their language (Somali) and English and are qualified and experienced teachers. The popularity of our supplementary schools is increasing by the day to the extent that membership now exceeds our capacity and we have no choice but to seek resources to open another tuition centre.

Refugee elders Luncheon Project

The elderly project is up and running; the users are most grateful for those who handed them the opportunity to get out of isolation and for the first time for many years engaged in physical and mental exercises not to mention engaging with people from other communities. They are



Dominion Arts & Education Centre



Convent way Community Centre



Viking primary school

Refugee elders luncheon project –continued

showing the desire to actively participate and engage in shaping the elderly club's activities and services thanks to those who empower them and encourage them to do so over **40** elders benefited from the elderly project.

Youth Employment Training

These is one of our ongoing projects which we plan to expand and develop further within the next few months, because of the demand and success it has show in our client base its aims is to help young people achieve and fulfil their dreams and realise their potentials. We provided Practical CV writing, job search strategies and techniques, Career advice and work experience.

Volunteer training & development project

ESDEG continues to involve volunteers with its projects. Overall we have had **33** participants for the past year, both volunteers and work placements, performing various duties. Volunteers' tasks involve anything from basic admin work to disseminating information, supplementary teaching, assisting with fundraising etc. Their involvement adds much value to the organisation and also allows volunteers to learn new skills and gain experience. The experience and skills they acquire at the centre increase their confidence, which at the end helps them to progress to paid employment or further education. Once again we would like to thank them for their input and enthusiasm.



Summarised accounts

Please turn to the next pages for our summarised accounts .

These summarised accounts may not contain sufficient information to allow for a full understanding of the financial affairs of the Charity and Company. For further information regarding accounts please contact the centre.

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Statement of Financial Activities

For the year ended 30 November 2010

	Note	General Purpose £	Restricted £	Total 2010 £	Total 2009 £
Income					
Grants and Donations	3	-	37,627	37,627	34,610
Sundries		1,544	-	1,544	-
		<u>-</u>	<u>37,627</u>	<u>39,171</u>	<u>34,610</u>
Expenditure:					
Salaries and wages	6	-	9,146	9,146	27,584
Seasonal tutors		3,281	11,487	14,768	-
Rent, rates & utilities		-	2,896	2,896	3,386
Volunteer expenses		-	1,655	1,655	3,282
Telephone, Fax & Internet		-	870	870	348
Events & Activities		-	470	470	266
Training expenses		-	1,850	1,850	516
Travel and transportation		-	-	-	420
Insurance charges		-	170	170	180
Printing and stationary		-	429	429	631
Management meeting costs		-	100	100	1,345
Learning & teaching supplies		-	452	452	649
Repair & maintenance		-	388	388	-
Advertisement & promotions		-	-	-	549
Consultancy charges		-	-	-	466
Sundry Expenses		-	1,180	1,180	324
Legal & Professional		-	400	400	678
Depreciation		-	239	239	76
		<u>3,281</u>	<u>31,732</u>	<u>35,013</u>	<u>40,700</u>
Surplus (Deficit) for the year	7	-1,737	5,895	4,158	(6,090)
Reserves brought forward @ 30 Nov. 2009		2,981	2,883	2,883	11,954
Reserves carried forward @ 30 Nov. 2010		<u>1,244</u>	<u>8,778</u>	<u>10,022</u>	<u>5,864</u>

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Balance Sheet

For the year ended 30 November 2010

	Notes	£	2010 £	2009 £
Fixed Assets:	5		640	229
Current Assets:				
Cash at Bank and in hand			18,488	15,159
Current Liabilities: payable within 1 year				
Creditors and accruals	4		<u>(9,106)</u>	<u>(9,524)</u>
Net Current Assets			9,382	5,635
Total Assets less Current liabilities			<u>10,022</u>	<u>5,864</u>
Funds:				
Balance for the year			4,158	(6,090)
Balance brought forward			<u>5,864</u>	<u>11,954</u>
			<u>10,022</u>	<u>5,864</u>

For the year ending 30 November 2010, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Director's responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476,
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime. The Financial statements were approved by the board and signed on its behalf

Hussein Gulaid

Treasurer

Date: 04 January 2011

Charity No: 1118721

Company No: 5635779