

Iraqi Christians in Need, founded in 2007, has raised almost £2.2 million for the medical, financial and educational needs of Iraqi & other Christians displaced inside Iraq and the neighbouring countries.

## A Note from the Chairman

This last financial year saw the continued growth of the charity in terms of its activities and through the generosity of its supporters, both personal and professional, income exceeded £200,000 and I would like to especially mention the generous support of our patron Canon William Taylor and parish of St John's Notting Hill for ICIN to support the Syriac Orthodox community in Nineveh and of the Rev'd Prebendary Alan Everett and parish of St Clement & St James for their 3rd substantial Lenten donation to ICIN.

To all our Council members noting especially Claude Bahoshy who recently resigned from Council due to his heavy workload and family commitments, I say God bless you all for your good works. As to our supporters without whom there would be no charity, a very big thank you.

## Aid Programme

The focus of ICIN this financial year has been on improving the lives of the returning Christians of Nineveh committing some \$170,000 for projects listed below and on the running costs of an informal children's school, OL of Carmel, in Jordan for children who, otherwise, would receive no education.

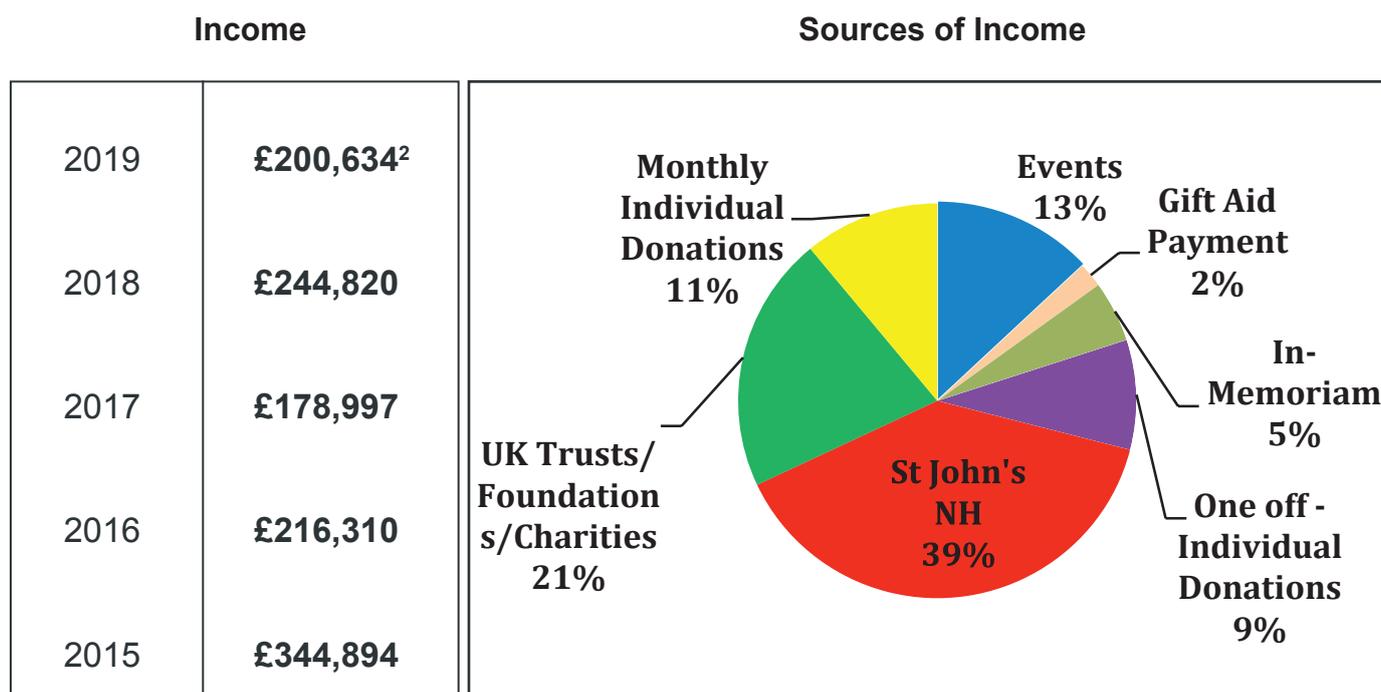
With ICIN's grant of US\$150,000, a Community Centre in Telskuf has been constructed and a Sports Facility in Qaraqosh is currently under construction. \$20,000 was also sent to the New Hope Trauma Centre of Iraq in Alqosh which runs a program of services administered by the Harvard Medical School. Many individuals of different faiths have benefited from tailor-made trauma and psychiatric 1-on-1 therapy, psychosocial awareness coupled with English as Second Language, anger management, healing environment & integration.

### Below are the project grants made in the year ended 31.03.19:

• Telskuf Community Centre	£83,620
• Our Lady of Carmel School, Amman	£55,600
• Kirkuk Students Programme	£19,010
• New Hope Trauma Centre, Alqosh & Telskuf	£15,660
• Mahabba & Farah for those with special needs	£ 8,100
• Hamilat al Teib for the elderly & infirm	£ 7,590
• Support of Baghdad IDPs	£ 3,910

<sup>1</sup> **Trustees:** Faiz Tappouni, Suha Rassam, Amal Allos, Issam Rassam, Maysoon Juma & Joseph Bahoshy.

## Income



## Events

An exciting event on **18th May 2019** will be our Bollywood Evening that promises to be vibrant, colourful with lots of fun. Buy your tickets early!

The recently-established series of Cultural Events starting with Gilgamish have gone off to a good start with our supporters and we are planning to have Sir Terence Clark, ex British Ambassador to Iraq and Oman, speak to us on **26th September 2019** about “Eternal Iraq – People and Places”.

Later this year, we plan to hold our next A Christmas Celebration at St John's NH on Saturday **14th December 2019**; the 2017 event was a sell-out. Once again, our favourite group The Pafties will be there and this time we are delighted and honoured to have with us Archmandrite Shafiq Abuzaid of the Melkite Catholic Church in London, well known to many of us also for his dulcet tones.

## Donations may be made

1. online at [www.icin.org.uk](http://www.icin.org.uk)
2. by mailing a cheque payable to ICIN to 43 Queen's Drive, Thames Ditton, KT7 0TJ
3. by setting up a standing order through your bank/building society quoting ICIN's banking coordinates: Iraqi Christians in Need, Account No. 31373927 and sort code 40-47-19
4. for overseas transfers, the charity's USD IBAN is “GB81 HBUK 4012 7667 5476 16” and BIC is HBUKGB4B

and please remember that if you are a UK tax payer, then your donation may qualify for Gift-Aid. A Gift-Aid form, available online, may either be completed online or downloaded from our website and mailed to 43 Queen's Drive.

<sup>2</sup> 2019 Income is subject to audit