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Annual Report

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Introduction

We are delighted to offer you a comprehensive overview of activities conducted by Amici di Angal Onlus in year 2022.

This document, crafted with a strong commitment to promoting a transparent communication, serves as a valuable resource for our organization's governing bodies, dedicated members, grateful beneficiaries, generous donors, and supportive lenders.

It provides a holistic perspective on our progress, encompassing not only our economic performance but also the profound impact we have achieved.

We invite you to delve into these pages, where you will find a detailed evaluation of our accomplishments, and we hope you enjoy the enriching insights it offers.



Welcome to Amici di Angal Onlus

Amici di Angal Onlus, founded in 2001, is based in Negrar in the province of Verona, Italy.

It operates in northwestern Uganda, in the village of Angal, 150 km from South Sudan, 10 km from Congo.

“We believe in a world where, regardless of economic, personal and geographical conditions, all people have access to adequate medical care and can enjoy a dignified and sustainable lifestyle”.

Our “Mission”

Twenty-two years have passed since the day Mario, Claudia, Rita, Don Dante, and Maria Rosa signed the founding document that breathed life into Amici di Angal. While it might seem like just another year, each one has brought its unique set of goals, challenges, joys, and sorrows. In this publication, we aim to convey precisely that.

Over this period of time, we’ve witnessed tangible, consistent, and significant progress in Angal. St. Luke’s hospital has not only thrived but has also remained committed to its mission of providing care to all, regardless of their financial means. In an era

where financial sustainability often comes before compassion, this commitment remains steadfast.

Beyond the hospital’s walls, we have recognized that Angal, a humble rural village, grapples with poverty that can be difficult to imagine. People go hungry, promising young minds lack educational opportunities, and the disabled endure lives that we can only describe as “unworthy.” Consequently, we launched various social initiatives, starting with the Samaritan Fund, which breathes life into the concept of the “right to health” that might otherwise remain theoretical. Subsequently, we started numerous projects, spanning support for the visually impaired, orphaned children, asylum seekers, students, and local farming initiatives.

Throughout this journey, we’ve often pondered whether diversifying our efforts might have negative impact on our primary mission: supporting St. Luke’s hospital. The answer becomes clear every day, as we witness the gratitude in people’s eyes and the love they reciprocate. It reaffirms our belief that the right to health encompasses access to nourishment, education, and a dignified existence.

Undoubtedly, we can’t do everything, but we give our all with the unwavering support you provide. In the end, we serve as messengers for an idea of justice and brotherhood that transcends national boundaries.




Pierfrancesco Marsiaj
President

Development cooperation. **Health. Equity. Education. Child- hood. Environment. Solidarity.**



Amici di Angal is “A non-partisan, non-denominational, and non-profit organization devoted to promoting social solidarity.

Our mission is focused on supporting the growth and sustainability of the St. Luke Missionary Hospital in Angal, Uganda”

Art. 2 Statute

Amici di Angal Onlus financially supports and values the St. Luke Missionary Hospital in Angal, located in northern Uganda. This hospital serves as a crucial centre, among others, for safeguarding the health of individuals and the West Nile community. It achieves this through the provision of high-quality medical care and prevention campaigns. Additionally, the hospital acts as a catalyst in bridging social divisions through socio-economic projects, some of which are linked to the hospital, and aim at benefiting the most vulnerable segments of the population.

Here are the **faces** at Amici di Angal's **heart!**

The Board of Directors
elected in 2022



Pierfrancesco Marsiaj
President



Mario Marsiaj
Board Member



Claudia Marsiaj
Honorary President



Monica Rossin
Vice President



Silvio Donà
Secretary



Rita Polo
Board Member



Carlo Piazza
Board Member



Camillo Smacchia
Board Member



Andrea Donisi
Treasurer



Giulia Carollo
Fundraiser

We are deeply grateful to the countless individuals who, driven by their selfless and supportive nature, join us in this mission. They generously contribute their time, expertise, connections, and innovative ideas with unwavering dedication and passion.

Where?

While our headquarters are based in Italy, serving as the hub for awareness campaigns and fundraising activities, our true mission unfolds in Sub-Saharan Africa.

For over two decades, we have stood in solidarity with the communities in northern Uganda, specifically in the West Nile region, Nebbi district, and the village of Angal.





How It All Began



2002-07



2008-09



In 1997, after a dedicated 37-year stewardship, the Comboni Sisters stepped back from their management of the hospital. Subsequently, in 2000, CUAMM concluded its cooperation programme.

With the hospital on the brink of reverting to its role as a dispensary, Amici di Angal Onlus was established in 2001 to avoid this risk.

Our Aid Marathon

During these years, we embarked on a marathon of refurbishments focusing on infrastructure and equipment upgrades. These endeavours became a reality through the generous contributions of various support groups, private donors, and ecclesiastical institutions.

Foundations

An agreement is stipulated between the hospital and Amici di Angal; additionally, we established a formal agreement for social projects.

The first "NEWS" bulletin from Angal is issued to update on the hospital activities.



Our history

On 26 July 2001, in Vicenza, Mario and Claudia Marsiaj, Rita Polo, Maria Rosa Stocchiero and the current Director of CUAMM, don Dante Carraro, signed the document which ratified the birth of Amici di Angal Onlus.

Our story has more distant origins: it begins on 14 December 1966 when Mario, a doctor with three years of intense training behind him, together with Claudia and Pierfrancesco aged a year and a half, leave Venice on board the ship "Africa", landed in Mombasa in Kenya, and on 3 January 1967 they reached Angal in Uganda. They were sent by Doctors with Africa CUAMM.

At the time of their arrival, another CUAMM doctor had already been present for 2 years: Dr. Bolli with his wife and the hospital was managed by Comboni Sisters and Fathers.



2010-13



2014-17



2018-21



2022-23



Keeping Pace

Thanks to generous private donations, we were able to build staff houses and lodgings for relatives of patients.

Meanwhile, we began the IT roadmap at the hospital and made improvements to the water network, a vital infrastructure for the hospital.

Key Steps

We started reducing fees for the nursery school and expanding its facilities. We also undertook the reorganisation of the hospital's management structure.

Additionally, we established a fundraising office in Italy to enhance our mission and strengthen its impact.

Covid-19

Amid the COVID-19 challenges, we secured funding to enhance maternal and child services, improve the wards, and strengthen our management efforts.

We shipped two containers loaded with essential equipment for the hospital and our ongoing social projects.

The present day

Our trips to Angal have been restored after COVID-19 and Ebola, events and collaborations are starting again.

Infrastructural upgrades on Neonatology and MCH are on their way. Some social projects are being reshaped in response to the effects of global crises.

Facts sheet Uganda



With a Human Development Index (HDI)* of 0.525, Uganda ranks 166th out of 189 countries, marking a 7-place drop since 2019.

* The HDI, a development indicator employed by the United Nations, provides a comprehensive assessment of the quality of life within each country's population. It factors in critical elements such as life expectancy at birth, educational attainment, and income levels. <https://hdr.undp.org/data-center/specific-country-data>



Pro capita GDP

\$883 (2021)

Annual GDP growth rate

+ 3,5% (2021)

Inflation

+ 10,2% (dec 2022)

Food inflation

+ 23% (dec 2022)

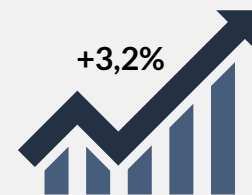
Where does the population live?

26%
urban

74%
rural

Population (2023)

48 million



Annual growth rate

63 years (2021)

Life expectation

15,7 years

Average age of the population, among the lowest in the world

Average salary

412.400 UGX/Month
(105€)

57,2% of the population is in multidimensional poverty (IPM)**

** UNDP Indicator

Deprivations in one third of the 10 indicators: infant mortality, nutrition, years of school and school-age children, method of cooking food, availability of water, electricity, sanitation, assets.

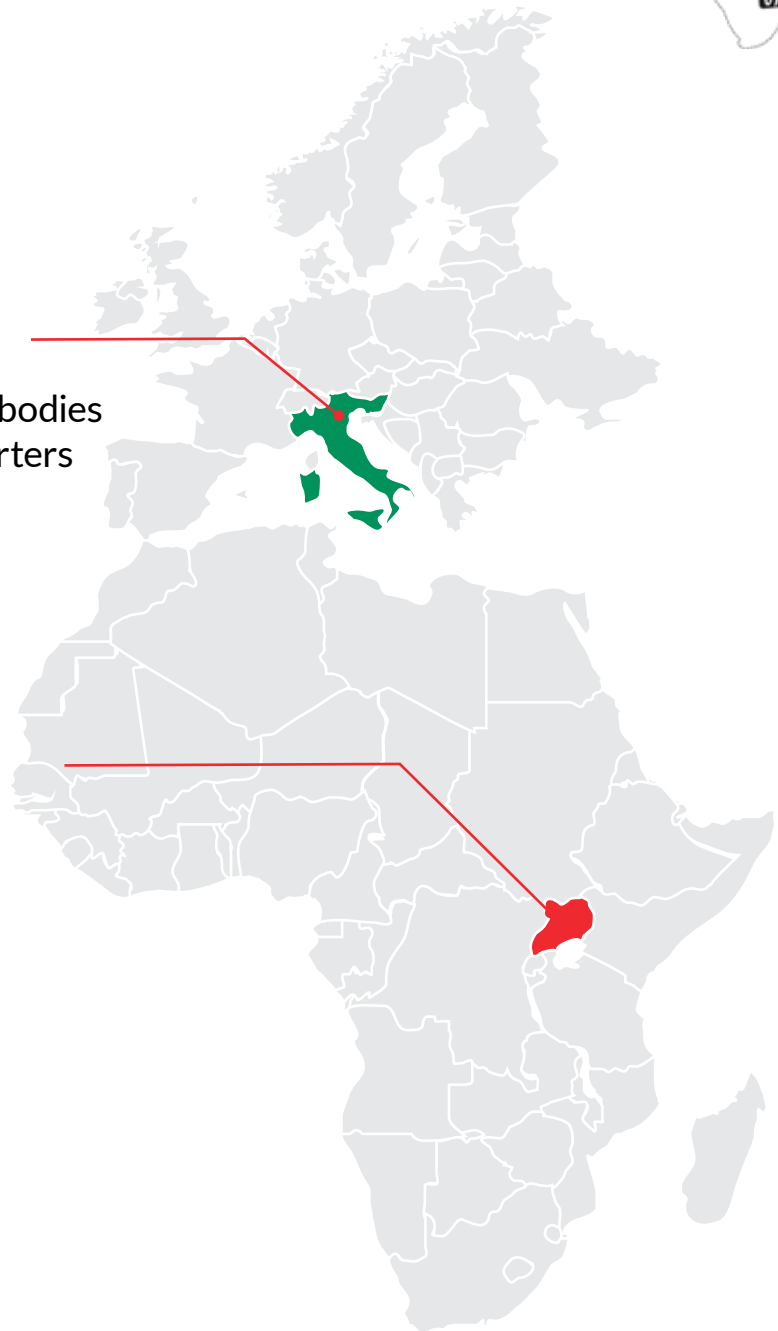
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Stakeholders



Donors
Board of Directors
Volunteers
Employees
Public and private bodies
Friends and supporters

Community
Patients
Hospital Staff
Hospital Board
Diocese of Nebbi
Comboni Mission



Amici di Angal

- 82 Members
- 274 Donors
- 1 Employee
- 14 Volunteers



St.Luke's Hospital

- 22.617 Patients
- 154 Staff
- 250.000 people
in catchment area
- 220 beds




Social Projects

- 1.360 Clients
- 8 Projects
- 6 Volunteers
- 1 Responsible

St. Luke Hospital

Health is for everyone


154
All local staff


50.000
People treated


220
Beds



The Operating Environment of St. Luke Hospital

In Nebbi District (1,953 km²), there are **24 healthcare facilities**, both public and private. Within this district, two hospitals, the Nebbi Government Hospital and the Angal Hospital, stand out, alongside a non-profit Health Center IV, nine Health Center III facilities, and twelve Health Center II establishments.

Unfortunately, government hospitals in this region face persistent challenges, including issues related to the quality of services and the availability of essential medications and medical supplies. As a consequence, **Angal Hospital has progressively emerged as the primary healthcare reference point for the entire district**, particularly in the vital area of maternal and child healthcare.

Sustainable Development Goals identified by the UN and signed up by 150 countries for 2030
<https://www.un.org/en/sustainable-development-goals>



Mission

St. Luke's Hospital journey began in 1954 as a dispensary, thanks to the dedication of the Comboni Fathers and Sisters. Today, it stands as a non-profit institution under the umbrella of the Diocese of Nebbi, characterized by a semi-autonomous governance.

Nestled in a rural and economically disadvantaged region, where 91% of the families rely on subsistence agriculture and 5.2% have access to electricity, Angal Hospital provides **essential healthcare services without constraints** or limitations.

Our choice to remain a general hospital, without specializations, serves a specific purpose:

1. **Continuity and Sustainability:** by offering a broad range of healthcare services, we ensure the hospital's continued operation and sustainability, despite limited government support.
2. **Universal Access to Quality Care,** We are committed to delivering high-quality healthcare to everyone, regardless of their economic circumstances. Our goal is to eliminate discrimination in healthcare access, making quality care accessible to all members of our community.

Results and Challenges



1st by number and quality of services among the 33 hospitals accredited by UCMB (Uganda Catholic Medical Bureau)



Inflation and economic challenges (exacerbated by the post-pandemic and global crises) are growing. People's purchasing power is diminishing, impacting their ability to access essential healthcare.



Outpatient visits tend to decrease while hospital admissions in the wards increase: frequently, patients, constrained by limited economic means, delay hospital visits, arriving with already compromised health.



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All human beings are entitled to access health assistance and receive support and care for their suffering

Vision of Angal St. Luke Hospital from the Statute

St. Luke Hospital 2021-2022

The financial year 2021-2022* marked the conclusion of the 2018-22 strategic plan for St. Luke Hospital. During this period **some important institutional changes and challenges occurred.**

** The Ugandan financial year, unlike ours, begins on July 1st and ends on June 30th. For this reason, balance sheet data and hospital data fall between 2021 and 2022.*



Doctor Tugume Benard
CEO St. Luke Hospital

In December 2021, the Bishop of Nebbi appointed a new CEO for St. Luke's Hospital, after he had served two years carrying on those duties. Married and a father of two, he hails from Rukungiri in south-western Uganda.

His educational journey led him to graduate in medicine from Makerere University in 2010. With a decade of experience, he has dedicated the last ten years to serving the Angal community. His professional journey includes previous roles at Lacor in Gulu and Dabani Hospital in Busia, reflecting his commitment to healthcare in the region.

As the global economy continued to catch up with the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, hospital attendance contracted in the first half of the fiscal year, affecting potential revenues. Additionally, the hospital faced the strains of a steep inflationary environment. In response, the Board and management swiftly implemented strategies to curb costs, recognizing that further reductions could jeopardize the quality of care.

Support from international organizations, including Amici di Angal, Unione Buddhista Italiana, Salvagnini SPA, UNICEF-AVSI, and IDI, played a pivotal role by backing projects and directly aiding in management costs. This support enabled the hospital to continue serving vulnerable and disadvantaged individuals, coherently with its mission. Furthermore, the government increased conditional subsidies to primary healthcare.

The volume of the hospital's activities and the number of patients has caught up compared to the last two years. During this period, significant accomplishments were achieved, including building and equipping a new maternity hostel, expanding the sterilization unit, and receiving secured funds for renovating a building into a state-of-the-art neonatal unit.

As we transition into the new Financial Year 2022-2023, the St. Luke Hospital remains dedicated to upholding its dynamic and vital spirit. The development of a new five-year Strategic Plan means our commitment to the continuous pursuit of excellence in healthcare and community service.





The **team** that **administrates** and **manages** the hospital



Doctor Okello Daniel
Medical Director

Graduated in Medicine from Gulu University. He has been working for 12 years in Angal.



Mrs Grace Nelly Kinyera
Senior Nursing Officer

She has been working at St. Luke Hospital since 2016. Tutor of the entire nursing community.



Mr Richard Ochola
Administrator

For 6 years at St. Luke's. Degree in Business Administration and diploma in Commercial Studies.



Mr Ngure Julius
Human Resource Officer

He has been in charge of human resources for 4 years. He has a degree in Business Administration and a diploma in Human Resource Management.

Data 2021 - 2022

PATIENTS

- 22.617 outpatients
- 11.424 admissions
- 4.647 HIV clinic visits
- 5.032 visits to the antenatal clinic
- 17.593 doses of vaccine
- 2.946 deliveries of which 1.418 through cesarean section
- 2.586 surgeries

STAFF

154 operators, all local

- 4 Doctors, 71 nurses and midwives
- 17 healthcare professionals (pharmacists, laboratory, etc.)
- 33 support staff
- 16 non clinical resources (cooks, drivers, security guards)
- 13 administrative staff



SERVICES

- Male Ward
- Female Ward
- Paediatrics
- Maternity
- OPD
- Mother's Hostel
- Pharmacy
- Laundry
- Administration
- X-Ray diagnostic
- Nutrition Unit
- Laboratory
- Surgery Room
- Sterile Unit
- Isolation
- Physiotherapy



OPD (-6,2%)

Opening hours extended to 8 a.m - p.m., from Monday to Saturday. Most frequent pathology: malaria. **Decline in accesses due to the difficulty of paying for treatment** following the economic challenges and inflation.



Maternity Ward (+1,4%)

With **3,719 admissions it is still the most active ward**; 2,946 deliveries. C-sections are down (1,418). The building also hosts the Gynaecology, Delivery room and Neonatology. Maternal mortality decreases (3 women).



Pediatric Ward (+8,9%)

56 beds, divided into three rooms of different colours depending on the severity, for 3,324 hospitalizations. Pre and post birth visits are performed in special clinics, they recorded a decrease of 13.1%.



Male and Female Ward

Male (+1.2%): 1,562 patients, 40 beds. Female (-0.2%): 1,538 hospitalized, 37 beds. The average stay is 6 days. The bed occupancy rate went from 69% to 71%: **an index of better quality of care provided.**



Diagnostic Services

Ultrasound examinations are down (1,501) due to the difficulty in finding suitable staff, X-ray examinations are increasing (2,147, +24.8%). 1,367 units of blood were used and 61,083 laboratory tests performed.



Technical Department

1 unequipped ambulance, 1 car for short trips. Laundry. Incinerator. Solar panels and generators. 3 wells and 2 tanks serve the hospital buildings.

St. Luke's Hospital Budget

2021-22

The conclusion of the financial year paints a generally positive picture for St. Luke's Hospital.

Total revenue experienced a marginal 1.4% decrease compared to the previous year (though an increase of 1% when considering currency exchange rates). The hospital's continued reliance on external aid remains evident, with 22% of donations supporting current expenditures originating from Amici di Angal (35% when factoring in projects and RBF), 20% from materials and medicines, 5% from support for the IDI-HIV project (international donations), and 6% for Social Projects, facilitated by Amici di Angal and administered by Mr. Deogratias Ofoyrwoth.

Healthcare bills paid by patients contributed 22% of the hospital budget, slightly less than in the previous period. After years of stalemate, government support to Angal Hospital (PHC-CG project) has increased (+18%) in the form of a credit line for the purchase of drugs. Support for current expenses from Amici di Angal grew by 5.5%, which also co-financed the hospital infrastructure development through the Mother Hostel and Sterilization Unit projects (5.7% of revenues). The reduced support to current costs was mainly a consequence of the decline in activity and the global macro and microeconomic context.

INCOME

€ 773.374

+0,1% compared to 2020-2021



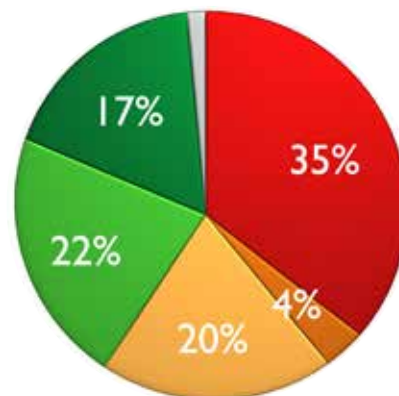
76,5%

from external aid



22,0%

from user fees



Items	Total in €
Amici di Angal	273.886 €
International Donations	27.724 €
Donations in Kind	156.117 €
User Fees	170.152 €
Government	134.146 €
Other incomes	11.367 €
Total income 21/22	773.374 €

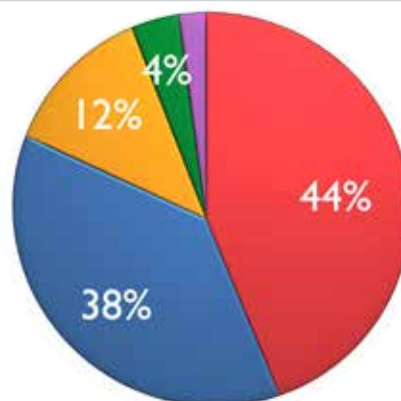
* figures reported from the official balance sheet converted into € at the average exchange rate of 1:4100 for the reference period

EXPENDITURE

€ 740.169

+1% compared to 2020-2021

 - 10,9%
drugs and medical goods



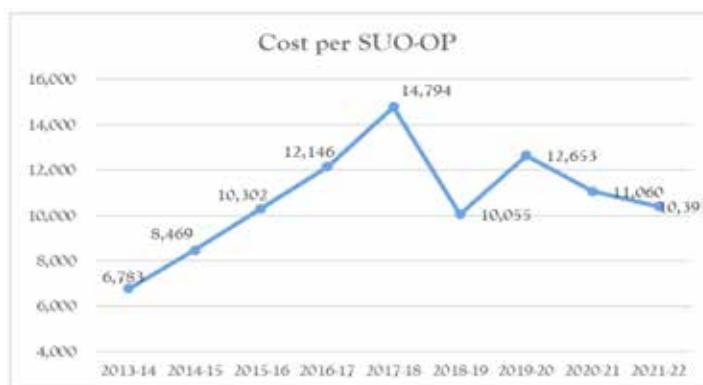
Items	Total in €
● Employment costs	323.743 €
● Medical goods and services	280.889 €
● Projects costs	92.051 €
● Supplies, services, transport	27.856 €
● Administrative costs	15.630 €
Total expenditure 21/22	740.169 €

To address the reduction in funding for current costs, the hospital has revised its operating plan: reduction of total expenditure by 3% (in local currency). The **cost of wages and medications made up the majority of hospital expenses**, at 44% and 38%, respectively. Personnel costs, as a result of the restructuring of the workforce in 2021, further decreased by -2.4%. Expenditure on drugs and medical equipment dropped by 11% thanks to the strengthening of the efficient drug consumption monitoring system and the reduction in the number of hospital attendances. The awareness raising activities in the

territory (PHC), aimed at prevention, have increased, and therefore the related costs. Spending on infrastructure and other projects increased mainly due to the introduction of Amici di Angal Social Projects in this expenditure chapter.

The general picture is that of a waste-free hospital that works as well as it can on such a limited budget, while maintaining excellent quality standards. Almost all of the expenditure (82%) goes to staff and medicines. After removing 12% of the projects, there remains a 6% with which all the rest must be done: services, supplies, transport, administration.

See below the trends over the years of the SUO-OP, a parameter that measures the overall functioning of the hospital, with the relative trend of the sustained cost (UGX) per unit of work produced.



The 8 Social Projects



Deogratias Ofoyrwoth **Social Project Manager**

Deogratias Ofoyrwoth leads and oversees our social initiatives, evaluating applicant cases and needs. His local expertise and commitment is pivotal to our community-driven projects.

He is native from Angal and he's a loving father of 4 children.

For half a century, St. Luke's patients and their families have faced enduring challenges, amplified by disadvantaged conditions, a tough economic background and a lack of robust national services. These difficulties persist today as they did 50 years ago.

Although Amici di Angal's primary mission is to support health, its programmes extend beyond hospital care to encompass prevention, dignified nutrition, and lifelong learning, instilled from childhood. This mission fuels our Social Projects—social-health initiatives spearheaded by Claudia Marsiaj in 1967. They strive to empower the community and ensure a dignified life for various groups, including the elderly, single mothers, widows, children, the disabled, orphans, adolescents, the impoverished, and the sick.

The individuals captured in our photos represent just a fraction of the 2,000+ beneficiaries supported in 2022 across eight distinct initiatives. Since 2017, these Social Projects have had dedicated budgets and a reliable point of contact in the office adjacent to the parish church, where Deogratias diligently works.



Our projects are born from the community, shaped by the needs, and adapted to a changing world. In 2022, we witnessed an uptick in poverty, resulting in a surge of inclusion requests.

In response, the budgets for nearly all projects were increased, and new proposals were developed for implementation in 2023.

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|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Samaritan Fund | 6. St. Theresa Infant School |
| 2. Hospital Connect | 7. Blinds School |
| 3. Orphans support | 8. Scholarships |
| 4. Food for the Poor | 9. ATLA-Cardellino Farm |
| 5. Food for AIDS patients | |



Nutrition Unit

The Nutrition Unit, originally conceived as “Operazione Proteine” by Claudia Marsiaj in 1967, continues to be a cornerstone of our social-health initiatives.

Today, this project spans two locations: within the hospital, where a dedicated 9-bed ward cares for severely malnourished children, and in the surrounding villages. Hospital teams make periodic visits to these villages, conducting monitoring, prevention, and parent training.

While the “health safaris” faced temporary suspension during the pandemic, they are gradually resuming. This suspension led to a decrease in hospitalizations. St. Luke Hospital and its dedicated staff manage the entire project.

Hospitalizations in 2019/20 numbered 134, increasing to 151 in 2020/21, and then totalling 114 in 2021/22. The project’s funds are utilized to provide high-protein food, medicines, and cover transport expenses in the villages.

Amount spent in 2022: €15,000

Economic assistance

1. Samaritan Fund

The Samaritan Fund is a lifeline for chronically ill, economically disadvantaged, or emergency patients who require treatment but lack the financial means to access it.

The fund covers the costs of medical bills, ensuring that those in need receive essential care. It also provides free transport services to convey patients to other healthcare facilities-

Beneficiaries: 400
Amount spent in 2022: € 16.044



2. Hospital Connect

A vital link between patients, their families, and the complexities of challenging illnesses, operated in close collaboration with St. Luke Hospital and managed by Sr. Stella Akello.

Sr. Stella's compassionate guidance plays a pivotal role as she warmly receives and guides patients in the hospital, ensuring they access the necessary treatment. The program also extends into villages to provide essential palliative care.

Beneficiaries: 18
Amount spent in 2022: € 1.809



Veneranda

Orphan Volunteer



Antony

Orphan Volunteer



Giustino

Orphan Volunteer

3. Orphans

Our Orphans project extends a helping hand to children who have lost their parents due to various reasons, including AIDS. These children often find refuge with relatives or neighbours, who bear the significant economic burden of caring for them. Our project aims to alleviate this burden by contributing to the maintenance costs of these orphans.

Support continues until the child reaches the age of 13, at which point we transition our assistance to new beneficiaries. The support is disbursed monthly directly to the families, offering financial relief and stability.

Beneficiaries: 130
 (46 in Parombo, 84 in Angal)
Amount spent in 2022: € 21.242



Food



Judith
Food Assistant

4. Food for the poor

Our Food for the Poor initiative provides essential support to individuals who are entirely devoid of resources, particularly the elderly and widows who are unable to work. Every two weeks, these vulnerable individuals and their families receive a critical lifeline in the form of food assistance.

We do not distribute money; instead, we provide direct essentials including flour, beans, oil, sugar, dried fish, and soap. The impact of this support goes beyond nourishment, extending to hope and dignity. Some travel for more than three hours to access this vital assistance, highlighting its profound significance in alleviating hunger and hardship within our community.

Beneficiaries: 62 families
Amount spent in 2022: € 8.597



Sister Stella
Social Health Assistant

5. Food for AIDS patients

Our Food for AIDS Patients initiative complements the distribution of antiretroviral medicines at St. Luke's Hospital's HIV clinic. When individuals come to collect their therapy, they also receive essential food aid.

This dual approach recognizes the importance of maintaining physical and mental strength, both of which can be compromised by the disease and its impact on the body's working capacity. By providing nutritional support, we offer a powerful incentive for individuals to continue their care regimen, a vital step in a country deeply affected by the challenges posed by AIDS.

Beneficiaries: 405
Amount spent in 2022: € 15.171



Education

6. St. Theresa Infant School

St. Theresa Infant School serves as a vital educational and social hub, fostering a secure environment while imparting essential hygiene knowledge.

Our project supports struggling families by paying school fees, topping up teacher salaries, and supplying pupils with necessary school materials.

Following pandemic restrictions, the project has swiftly resumed, accommodating a surge in student enrolment and requiring resource realignment.



Beneficiaries: 250 students
Spent in 2022: € 6.351



7. School for the blind

In Angal Primary School, blind students share classes with their sighted peers, championing inclusivity and fighting discrimination. Our project also includes food support, maintenance of Braille machines, dormitory enhancements for students, and wage integration for blind teachers.

The project faced setbacks due to school closures, but our commitment to create an inclusive and supportive environment remains unwavering.

Beneficiaries: 90, of which 53 blind
Amount spent 2022: € 3.343



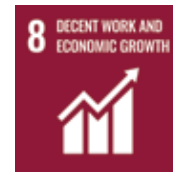
8. Scholarships

Scholastic economic support to a group of blind and disadvantaged students, supported by individual donors who regularly contribute to the tuition fees of high/technical schools.

Beneficiaries: 6
Amount spent in 2022: € 4.683



Environment



9. Cardellino - ATLA Farm

ATLA Farm offers a lifeline to orphaned adolescents who face barriers to continuing their education and entering the working world. Through the environmental teaching project “Fattoria Cardellino,” facilitated by the ATLA Cooperative, we provide essential support.

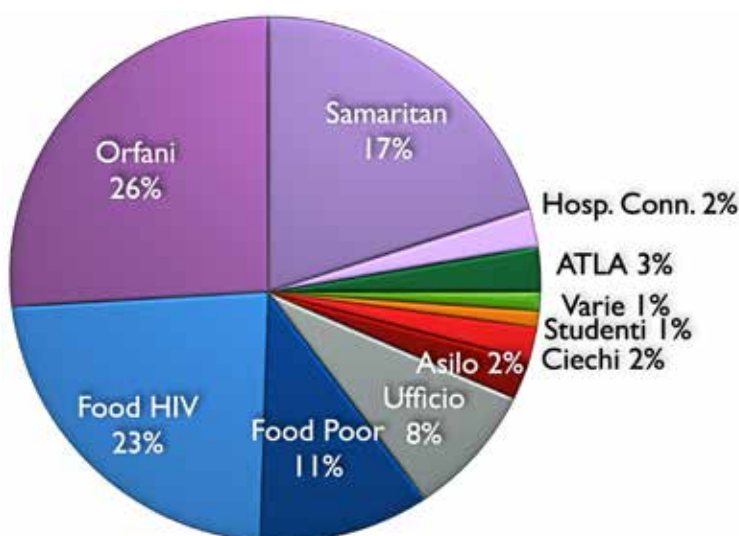
Our funds are directed towards acquiring seeds, animals, tools, and materials necessary for land preparation and cultivation. In 2022, the inaugural class of 12 students successfully completed the agro-forestry course, excelling in both theoretical and practical exams. These students had the opportunity to apply their newfound skills on the farm and participate in local markets, solidifying their capabilities and paving the way for a brighter future.

Beneficiaries: 20

Spent in 2022 (farm production activities only): € 3.642



Social Projects Budget



Project	Total in €
Orphans	21.242 €
Samaritan Fund	16.044 €
Hospital Connect	1.809 €
ATLA Farm	3.642 €
Other expenses	1.219 €
Students (scholarship)	4.683 €
Blinds School	3.343 €
Infant School	6.351 €
Office	4.035 €
Food for Poor	8.597 €
Food for HIV	15.171 €
Total 2022	86.136 €

How do we support our mission?

Financial Report 2022



INCOME: € 423.785

+1,1% compared to 2021

With revenues of €423,785.14 and expenses of €433,347.18, the 2022 budget closed with a slight deficit of €9,562.04. This is mainly due to the start of the new RBF project for St. Luke's Hospital, which was made possible thanks to the donations received at the end of 2021 and which made it possible to close last year's budget with a significant surplus.

Overall, the performance confirms the sustainability of the mission and the correct implementation of the activities to promote donations, as well as the continuity of support over time and the loyalty of donors.

Comments on the income

Donations from individuals increased by 3%, confirming the solidity of the large base of donors who remain loyal to Angal. Contributions from corporations and annual membership fees from members also increased. The



Items	Total in €
Donations from Individuals	194.940 €
Donations from Companies	70.500 €
5 x 1000	54.139 €
Institutions, Associations	11.353 €
Events	7.566 €
Membership dues	4.450 €
Fundraising campaigns	11.466 €
Specific projects	69.029 €
Other	342 €
Total income 2022	423.785 €

support of institutions, associations and corporations is almost stable, while the contribution of 5xmille shows a slight but constant growth. Donations from campaigns/fundraising activities, mainly online, have halved compared to pandemic times, in favour of the resumption of in-person events, whose participation and revenue are increasing.

Donations to specific projects (detailed later) totalled to €69,028.88. Of these, €49,509 were disbursed by Salvagnini SPA for the RBF project; €2,513.02 was donated to the Neonatology Department (€40,000 was advanced again by FAS in 2021 for the construction of the department, which will be completed in 2022); €8,484

for the ATLA farm well by Rotary and Rotaract of Taranto; 2.000 € from the Community Foundation of Verona for the restructuring of the Sterilization Department; from the Community Foundation Valle d'Aosta 6.522.86 for the start of the project ATLA Training School, which will continue in the coming years.

EXPENDITURE: € 433.347

+42% compared to 2021



Items	Total in €
Contribution to the Hospital	164.200 €
Social Projects	86.136 €
Equipment/self-financing projects	73.955 €
RBF project	74.263 €
Employee	19.058 €
Communication	5.777 €
Management expenses	5.257 €
Bank charges	1.697 €
Trips	3.004 €
Total expenditure 2022	433.347 €

Comment on the expenses

The **contribution to St. Luke's Hospital**, which is intended to cover current expenses (salaries and medications), **has increased**, as well as the support for **infrastructure development** (specific projects). A new item of expenditure appears, which we will find again in future years: €74,263 was spent on the **RBF project** (Result Based Funding). As usual, a Christmas bonus of € 1,614 was paid to the hospital staff.

The total commitment to the hospital in 2022 was €291,074.

Support for social projects grew (+26%), with two exceptional projects funded from external sources: the Training School project and the Water Well for the ATLA farm.

Expenditures for typical activities and fundraising related to the dissemination of the mission of Amici di Angal, its operation and administration (1 staff) tend to be stable. Expenditures for personnel and related social security contributions are in line with projections. In 2022, the annual control mission to Angal took place in July.

Extraordinary projects of the year 2022

In addition to our steadfast support for the hospital and social projects, we've embarked on significant endeavour, both in healthcare and the social sphere.

This project has been made possible through the collaborative efforts of institutions and individuals, yielding extraordinary benefits for the community.

1. RBF Project

Result Based Financing (RBF), has been a cornerstone of international cooperation for years, particularly in supporting healthcare programs in traditionally under-served regions of Africa. RBF seeks to blend financial assistance for healthcare facility operations with incentives to enhance the quality of care, linking a portion of funds disbursement to the attainment and validation of predefined results. The idea to implement this mechanism at Angal Hospital was proposed by Dr. Bruno Corrado, former Director of Lacor Hospital in Gulu.

Our RBF project commenced in July 2022, funded by Amici di Angal and Salvagnini Italia SPA, and will be fully integrated into St. Luke's budget in the upcoming financial year, with a budget allocation of €150,000.



The **project's objectives** encompass ensuring that St. Luke's healthcare services remain accessible to the impoverished, guaranteeing the quality of care provided, motivating the hospital to maximize the aid received for continued support, and finally encouraging healthcare staff to remain committed to St. Luke's rather than seeking opportunities elsewhere that offer higher salaries.

Under this project, every time the hospital delivers services included in the agreed-upon list with Amici di Angal, it "earns" a specified amount, contingent upon the patient's ticket price falling below a certain average and the service quality exceeding a minimum threshold.

Currently, the project places a strong emphasis on evaluating the quality of 15 output indicators, with a focus on maternal and child health, a critical domain within our context. These assessments are conducted every three months by an external verification team, and the initial results have been highly promising.



2. ATLA Farm borehole project



This project has brought about the construction of a vital well situated on the ATLA Farm premises, to serve clean water not only to the farm, but also to provide the surrounding communities in the village of Akanyo with a source of clean drinking water. Beneficiaries are estimated around 1,000.

The project was made possible through the generous contributions of numerous donors and included excavation down to a depth of 90 meters, infrastructure and distribution, a 10,000 litre storage tank, a solar system with panels and batteries to operate the pump.

The total cost of this project was €14,307.

3. For a thousand little miracles: a new Neonatal Unit ad St. Luke

At St. Luke’s Hospital in Angal, we have taken significant steps to prioritize the health of mothers and children, ensuring safe births and access to emergency care when needed. Recognizing the high neonatal mortality rate in the region, our hospital was at the forefront in northern Uganda by establishing a special care unit for sick and premature infants back in 2016. At that time, we provided five beds in a room with cradles positioned too closely together and had only two oxygen concentrators available.

Over the years, the demand for our services has steadily increased, rendering our existing facilities inadequate in meeting patient needs and health standards. In 2022, we undertook the renovation of a former building through a generous donation by the BPV Staff Assistance Fund, amounting to €40,000. As a result we successfully constructed a state-of-the-art Neonatal Unit, significantly enhancing our capacity to provide quality care to sick and premature infants, as well as ensuring the safety and well-being of mothers and their newborns.



4. Agricultural Training - ATLA

In an innovative venture, generously supported by the Valdostana Foundation through Giovanni Cardellino Fund, we launched an agricultural training project in collaboration with the ATLA Farm and students at the Comboni School of Angal. This initiative is designed to empower disadvantaged and orphaned adolescents, both boys and girls, who were previously beneficiaries of the Aids Orphans project.

The program spanned one year and engaged a group of 10 students, providing them with essential knowledge in agriculture, zootecnics, and computer skills. Students had the opportunity to put their learning into practice by ac-

tively participating in farm activities and managing a designated piece of land. They gained hands-on experience, witnessing the tangible results of their efforts, and learned how to market and manage the income generated from their agricultural endeavours.

Upon completing the training course, students underwent preparatory exams to obtain certification. This comprehensive initiative, aimed at equipping young individuals with valuable skills, had a total cost of €6,523, an investment in the future of this promising youth.

The cost of the initiative was **€6,522.86**.



How do we support all this?



92% of income goes to Angal

Our financial allocation is a testament to our commitment. In 2022, a remarkable 92% of our expenditures were channelled directly into fulfilling Amici di Angal’s mission. This encompassed vital support for St. Luke’s Hospital, the realization of essential infrastructure projects, and the execution of impactful social initiatives. Conversely, the operational costs of our association amounted to just 8% of our yearly budget. This allocation highlights our dedication to maximizing the impact of every euro we receive, made possible through the trust and support of our donors and partners.



5x1000 (tax return)

Since 2006 this has been a cornerstone for the association. Each year from 800 to 900 people in their tax return, sign to donate to Amici di Angel Onus.

Around 60% of the contribution received from the Ministry of Work is destined to the hospital, the remaining to the Social Projects. On average the support is around €50.000.



Direct donations

There are the main source with which we carry on our activities. They allow us, especially if they are regular donations, to cover the most critical expenses for the hospital, essential for curing the sick: wages and medicines.

Today the main part of the donations arrive via bank transfer and electronic transactions. Lets get to know who sustains us better in the following page



Projects

Our approach involves crafting compelling project proposals, whether through formal announcements or straightforward requests, targeting foundations, companies, public institutions, and private entities. The collaborative effort between our teams in Italy and Uganda ensures that we produce the necessary documents and reports in the required formats and within specified time-lines.

To date, we have submitted substantial funding proposals geared towards enhancing the quality of healthcare services at St. Luke’s Hospital, incorporating vital infrastructural and training initiatives. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our Italian partners who have joined us in this journey of making a difference.

Who gives?

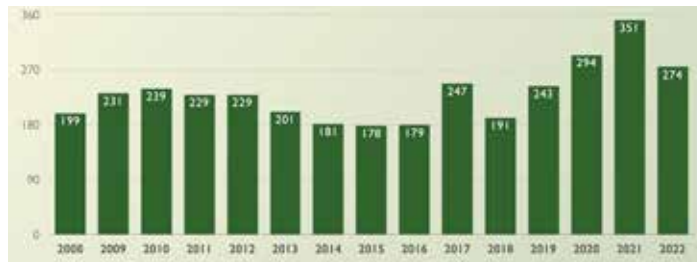
Donors are the soul of our association, those thanks to whom it is possible to finance St. Luke hospital and projects. But who are they, how many are they, where do they come from?

Number of Donors

274

vs. 351 (2021)

Number of Donors

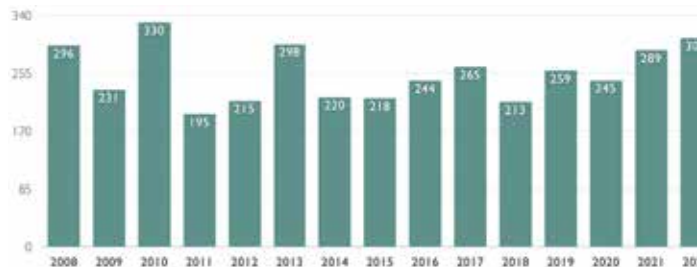


Where do they come from?

35%
Rest of Italy

65%
Veneto

Amount donated (thousands of €)



Average amount per single donation

€ 307

vs € 289 (2021)



How do they donate?

99%

With electronic payment systems

Amici di Angal was born in the Veneto region and our core remains firmly rooted between Vicenza and Verona, but a significant portion, nearly a third, of our donors hail from other regions across Italy.

THANK YOU!

How do we nurture the relationship with our donors?



01. Newspaper

Twice a year we mail or hand deliver over 800 copies of “Angal News”; a magazine to bring us closer to Angal and keep donors updated.



02. Thanks

Mario, Claudia and the Board Members maintain active and meaningful connections with our donors all year-round through frequent telephone calls, face-to-face meetings, as well as regular email and letter correspondence.



03. Events

In December, we organized the “Natale in Viaggio” event to reconnect with supporters and raise funds at the Salvagnini Academy. Throughout the year, we continued to hold solidarity and promotional markets, providing a platform for supporters to contribute to our mission. We extend our heartfelt thanks to our dedicated volunteers who play a vital role in our organization.



04. Newsletters

In 2022 we sent out 11 newsletters to over 1100 subscribers, covering various topics and sharing updates on project developments, emerging needs, and other news from Angal.



05. Books and Annual Report

- Ritratti della mia Africa - Claudia Marsiaj
- L’Ospedale di Angal. Cinquant’anni di vita - Mario and Claudia Marsiaj
- We prepare and distribute the Annual Report at around mid-year, after the previous year’s Financial Report is approved by the General Assembly.



06. Website

It is a showcase of social projects, of the hospital with its services, news, photos and videos from Angal. It holds information on the association, on how to support its cause. It includes Financial Statements, the Annual Reports and other important downloadable documents. Visit www.amicidiangal.org!



07. Fundraising Campaigns

Throughout 2022, we ran 7 campaigns across various platforms, including social media, newspapers, newsletters, WhatsApp: Adopt a nurse, Women's Ward Beds, Christmas 2022: Samaritan Fund, Braille Tablets, Confirmations, Sterile Unit Renewal, Birthdays on Facebook.



08. Social networks

Amici di Angal has profiles on various social networks, Facebook, Instagram and Twitter, as well as a Youtube channel and a Vimeo one. In 2022, we posted stories and shared news.





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