Treasurer's Report for the year ended 31 October 2014

Operating Costs

The operating cost for the home for the year ending 31 October 2014 totaled \$498,433 (2013: \$502,873.) The principal cost areas are

	2014	2013
 Payroll 	\$264,825	\$250,212
 Food and Supplies 	\$68,242	\$52,623
 School and Tutorial fees 	\$67,048	\$100,981
 Utilities 	\$39,611	\$37,702
 Insurance 	\$12,984	\$13,631
 Repairs and Maintenance 	\$18,833	\$17,807
 Transportation cost 	\$16,907	\$12,642
• Other	<u>\$9,983 </u>	<u>\$17,275</u>
• Total	<u>\$498,433</u>	<u>\$502,873</u>

As can be seen above the principal cost of operating the home is payroll as we have to provide staffing on a 24 hours per day, 365 days per year. We have a total staff of 13 including the administrator. Our wages are not generous but are adequate to attract the quality of staff required

Most of the other costs are the fixed cost of running the home with the exception of school and tutorial fees. The Board of Directors of the home took a policy decision a number of years ago to give all its children the best opportunities in life by enrolling them where possible in private schools.

Funding the operating costs

Total income received by the home for the year was \$532,925 (2013 \$ 522,968 which included \$100,000 from an anonymous donor). A breakdown of our income is as follows

•	Total	<u>\$532,925</u>	\$522,968
•	Interest Income	<u>\$2,835</u>	<u>\$5,253</u>
•	Donation from public	\$355,423	\$405,639
•	Net proceeds from the annual raffle	\$114,667	\$74,576
•	Grant from The Government of the Bahamas	\$60,000	\$37,500

As can be seen above, the home has no sustainable income source each year other than the government grant and the annual raffle which is approximately 20% of the annual operating costs. It is dependent on the generosity of the public (individuals and corporations) to fund 80% of its operating costs. In

appealing to the public for support, the home competes with other children charities which are largely funded by the government, a fact which the public are unaware of. This results in the public perception that Ranfurly is always begging for funds. I do not believe that this funding model is sustainable in the long term and we must find a more sustainable funding model

Physical infrastructure

The physical condition of the home is good with the exception of the kitchen which need replacing / upgrading. The roof was replaced in 2013 and should be good for 15-20 years. The grounds have been enclosed by a substantial wall and are in excellent condition. The home has two relative new buses for transportation. We do not expect any major capital expenditure for the foreseeable future and we are hopefully that the kitchen renovation will be funded by a donor.

Cash resources

At 31 October 2014, the home has cash resources of \$193,877 (2013 -\$176,127) which approximates to 4-5 months expenses. The home has \$163,688 (2013- \$160,852) in a restricted account which was donated specifically for the construction of a transitional home. This project is on hold until the home has sustainable funding for its operation

The Treasurer

7 April 2015