

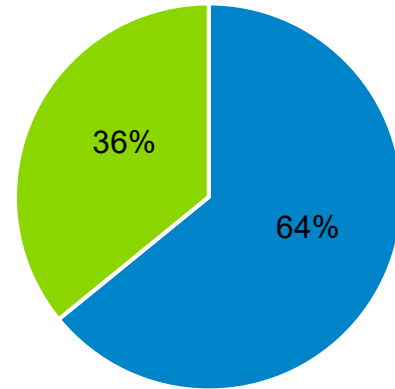


# Alström Syndrome UK

Strength for today, hope for the future

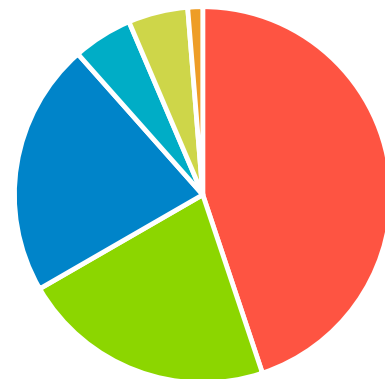
## Review of the year 2017-18

- We supported **73** families
- **68** children and adults attended **13** Alström Syndrome (AS) specialised clinics
- We visited **46** families at home
- We visited **11** children in School or College
- **100%** of families who completed evaluation forms told us they were '**happy**' or '**very happy**' with the AS clinics and ASUK Support Services
- 'Moving on Up' **6** young people were supported in preparation to move onto adult services
- Breaking Down Barriers worked with **12** rare disease organisations



■ Male ■ Female

Age Range



■ <18 ■ 18-24 ■ 25-34  
■ 35-44 ■ 45-54 ■ 55-65+



- **78** people (known to us) have Alström Syndrome. Most professionals will never meet a patient with AS because it is an ultra-rare disease. It is likely that there are more individuals with AS, who remain undiagnosed-we are working hard to change this!

Advancing Diagnosis, Care, Treatment and Support for those living with Alström Syndrome in the UK

[www.alstrom.org.uk](http://www.alstrom.org.uk)

Charity no: 1071196  
Company no: 3557191

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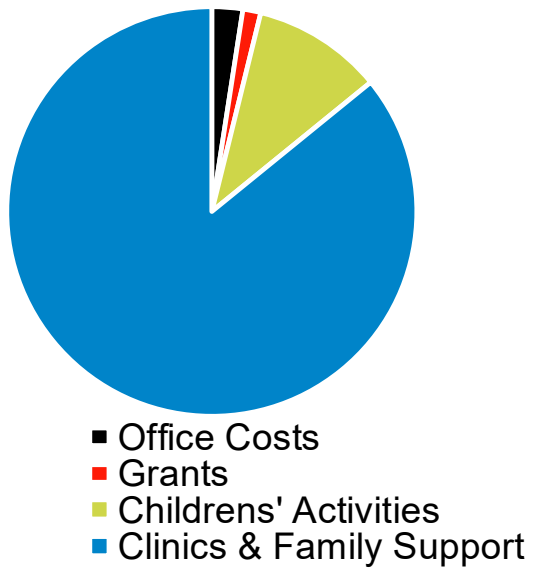
- **Thanks to Children in Need Funding:**

- **30** families joined in Foodie Friends Clubs
- **14** young people all with visual impairments enjoyed a 'once in a lifetime' driving experience
- **3** families took part in horse riding adventures

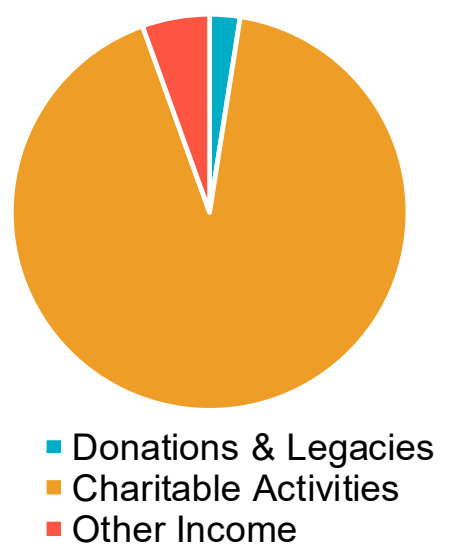


- For the year 2017/18 there were **6** Trustees on the Board of ASUK
- **7** people work for ASUK, supporting families, promoting research and raising awareness
- We gave grants to **4** families
- We gave **4** items of exercise equipment/ gym membership
- Our website reached **28,000** views from **107** countries
- Our 'Living with a Rare Disease' animation helped to raise awareness of AS reaching an incredible **2,300** views.

Expenditure 2017/2018



Income 2017/2018



# Thank you!

We are always immensely grateful to everyone who continues to support ASUK each and every year, whether it's through donating, holding a charity event, or giving generously from a Trust fund, we make every penny count to ensure that we learn more about Alström Syndrome, that families and individuals get help when needed and have the opportunity to meet up and share stories and experiences.

We would also like to thank all the medical professionals at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital and Birmingham Children's Hospital who work tirelessly to seek new treatments and ways to further manage Alström Syndrome.

*All information is provided from the financial period 31st March 2017—1st April 2018. The full annual report and accounts can be found on the ASUK website [www.alstrom.org.uk](http://www.alstrom.org.uk)*