Meeting the UN Sustainable Development Goals through humanitarian architecture

Article 25

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Article 25 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights shows that adequate, dignified buildings and housing are fundamental to our human rights.

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It’s not right that where you are born should determine your chances of living in a safe home, or whether you might get the opportunity to go to school throughout your childhood. Or indeed whether you might simply have access to adequate healthcare.

More than 70 years have passed since the signing of the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights, yet the principles for greater equality sadly remain just as pressing today. In a world rife with polarised communities, pervasive inequality issues, conflict, pandemics, and the devastating impacts of climate change, just what difference can a building make?

If that building is created by a local workforce, who can gain new skills and increased earning potential . . . if that building is a school in a community where literacy rates are lower than one-third . . . if that building is to become a local medical centre and people will no longer have to travel for days to reach care . . . then a building makes a world of difference! This is our mission in action.

Our Impact Report illustrates how we use the design and build process to improve access to safe shelter, education and healthcare, ultimately creating resilient, thriving communities. Thank you to all our supporters, donors, staff and volunteers for helping us to realise this important mission. And a personal note of thanks to Sunand Prasad, who has handed over the role of chair to me. He has successfully led Article 25 to become the charity it is today - a highly professional, proactive organisation that has mastered working in some of the world’s most challenging settings.

Denise Bennetts
Chair of Trustees
MEETING THE UNITED NATIONS GOALS

THROUGH HUMANITARIAN ARCHITECTURE

Good buildings and infrastructure are essential for accessing human rights and meeting the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UNSDGs).

You can’t eliminate leprosy without health clinics, or provide universal education without building schools and training centres. Through the creation of buildings that deliver essential services and support we place human rights at the centre of our work.

Whilst our work addresses most of the UNSDGs, three are of particular relevance as they align closely to the three cornerstones of our work: Healthcare, Education and Disaster Risk Reduction.

We build schools in the world’s most disadvantaged communities, and create inclusive educational environments. We design hospitals and clinics, so that health professionals can deliver quality services to patients.

We create buildings and infrastructure that provide protection for people living in hazard-prone regions.

Good Health and Wellbeing
Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all ages

Quality Education
Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all

Sustainable Cities and Communities
Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable

Students outside their new classroom at Collège Amadou Hampate Bâ, Niger

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Mother and child, rural health centre, Myanmar
OUR VISION AND MISSION

Vision
A world with greater equality, where everyone lives in a thriving, resilient, and sustainable community, able to access education, healthcare, and a safe place to live.

Our Mission
We design and build schools, hospitals, and homes, with local communities, worldwide. We do this so that people have better access to education, healthcare, safer housing, and greater employment opportunities. We do it to support the development of thriving, resilient communities, where everyone has access to a safe place to live, learn, work, play, and recover from illness, throughout life.

Article 25: Our name comes from the 25th article of the UN Declaration of Human Rights (1948) which states that everyone has the right to a standard of living adequate for the health and well-being of themselves and their family, including food, clothing, housing, medical care, and necessary social services.
Since our formation in 2006 we have amassed experience in 35 countries around the world, and have become specialists in designing and delivering projects in challenging contexts.

GLOBAL REACH
OVER 100 PROJECTS IN 35 COUNTRIES

WHERE WE HAVE WORKED:

Afghanistan  Lesotho  Bangladesh  Morocco  Brazil  Montserrat  Burkina Faso  Mozambique  Chile  Myanmar  Colombia  Nepal  Cameroon  Niger  Dominica  Nigeria  DR Congo  Pakistan  Lesotho  Congo-Brazzaville  Guatemala  Brazil  Cameroon  Puerto Rico  DR Congo  Iran  Lesotho  Congo-Brazzaville  India  Chile  Mozambique  Kenya  Bangladesh  Brazil  Burkina Faso  Cameroon  DR Congo  Congo  Iran  Nepal  Nicaragua  Pakistan  Peru  Tanzania  Uganda

“Our buildings aren’t just a means to an end. They are a just means to a just end.”

David Murray
Managing Director of Article 25
HOW WE DELIVER

At Article 25 we engage with the whole community from inception through to construction and evaluation. Our team spend time on the ground with teachers and students, medical staff and patients, neighbours, local government, utility providers, builders and other stakeholders.

Working closely with communities helps to promote a sense of ownership and makes for more successful projects. Good collaborations provide inspiration and yield creativity.

Our projects are always developed with in-country partners to harness local knowledge, and to ensure our buildings and developments are appropriate to their cultural and societal context.

WE COLLABORATE with local partners to better understand the problems that need to be solved and come up with solutions.

WE DEVELOP designs from the unique challenges and opportunities we find in the local context and incorporate the preferences of the local community.

WE QUALIFY capable local contractors with the skills to build the project.

WE GUIDE the construction through an on-site architect, who supervises build quality and supports training of the workforce in construction skills. We use construction as a tool for economic empowerment.

WE SUPPORT communities in moving into their new facility and undertake post-occupation assessments to evaluate the project’s success in meeting its aims and objectives.

WE LEAVE A LEGACY of families with new skills and earning capacity and a stronger, more cohesive community.

“We create change with people, not to people.”

Jack Pringle
PPRIBA & founding trustee of Article 25
We leverage your donations for maximum impact. For every pound of income we secure, another 25% is gifted to the charity through in-kind services and support. From engineering companies working at no cost, sharing their expertise on our projects, and provision of gifted office space at Canary Wharf, to volunteers giving time given in support of our cause, talented people working (or studying towards) architecture, marketing, and charity administration, we maximise every pound raised to create the greatest positive impact.
Every one of our projects starts with a conversation – on the ground. It is a dialogue with our partners and the community about what is needed and what aspirations they have. Often the needs are great but so are the opportunities. We may find out that a workshop we can add to a school project can train young people in furniture making and add income for the school at the same time. Or that cooking meals for hospital patients can turn into an open air restaurant. Capturing ideas for economic and social empowerment creates an instant sense of communal ownership in our partners before the design even starts.

We also pay close attention to vernacular traditions, local materials and building practices and let them inspire what we draw. We want skilled and unskilled men and women to participate in the construction and learn more skills. But we also apply sound engineering principles and details to make our buildings long-lasting, affordable and hopefully beautiful.

It is a challenge to design with a social and economic purpose – a challenge we very much enjoy.

Bea Sennewald
Director of Projects
We build schools in the world’s most disadvantaged communities and create inclusive educational environments.

1 in 5 children worldwide are out of school

Students at Collège Amadou Hampaté Bâ, Niger
Following our guiding philosophy to help deliver housing, schools and hospitals for communities who need it most, we have been working with Collège Hampâté Bâ to design new classrooms, a lab and administration facilities. This will enable the college to accommodate up to 1,200 children from primary school age right through to university entrance.

To make the classrooms comfortable they have been designed with a double roof: vaulted earth brick ceilings below a flying metal roof. This helps mitigate the extreme heat as air is pulled through the void between the two roofs and sunlight does not radiate into the rooms.

Our design prioritises the use of local materials, adapting vernacular techniques to respond to the challenging climatic conditions, and creating beautiful, spaces conducive to learning.

The principal building material is laterite stone; an inexpensive, locally available material with low embodied carbon, which is an underutilised resource in Niger. It is dug from the ground by hand in a quarry outside of Niamey and hardens into stone on contact with air. During construction, local masons are being trained in how to use laterite, with the intention that the skills can be disseminated in further projects around the region.

The proposals for the college include refurbishment of existing classrooms and the addition of five new classroom blocks (totalling 20 classrooms), along with new administrative facilities, an assembly hall, library and latrine blocks. Upgrades to water and electrical services are also proposed in order to improve the school’s resilience to intermittent municipal supply.

The first classroom block was handed over to the college in October 2020 and has been in use ever since. After some disruption to the construction programme due to the pandemic, the remaining Phase 2 works were completed in the spring of 2022. Phase 3 is expected to commence in 2022.

We have also taken the opportunity to encourage the sharing of construction skills amongst a group of young women and teenagers who are studying at the school or have recently left. This helps challenge any misplaced views on gender in construction, as well as providing opportunities for future employability of the women and girls who have had this learning opportunity.

You can learn more about this project in a short video on our YouTube channel: www.youtube.com/user/thearticle25

Project Partners
Collège Amadou Hampâté Bâ
Michael Hadi Associates
Max Fordham LLP

Status
Construction of Phases 1 and 2 was completed in 2022. The first classroom blocks and latrines have been in use since autumn 2020.

Our design for the college will provide comfortable learning environments for up to 1,200 students.
“Supervising the Collège Amadou Hampaté Bà site has been enriching for me, with the knowledge of the importance of this College to many children and their parents. I have also benefited from learning more about local materials and their proper exploitation for future projects.”

Gyormbey Kodzo ADALI - MORTTY
B.Sc. (Design), P/G.PIG. ARCH.
Site Architect, Article 25
Recent figures show that most children with disabilities in Africa are not in school. The Tanzanian government introduced a policy in 2010 to guarantee disabled children the right to primary and secondary education. In practice, this has proved difficult to implement as teachers are not trained to teach disabled children and most schools are not accessible.

Child Support Tanzania (CST) runs a pre-school for children with physical and mental disabilities to prepare them for mainstream schooling. An important part of CST’s philosophy is to integrate disabled and able bodied children in their classes and to use a child-to-child approach where children support each other and take an active role in their education.

Article 25 has been working with CST since 2017 to design and help build a school on government donated land. The school will eventually accommodate 250 children in classrooms full of natural light, a dining hall, music rooms, physiotherapy spaces, a hydrotherapy pool, a sensory garden and outdoor play and sports areas.

We started construction of Phase 1 in August 2018 and have since completed five accessible classrooms, a kitchen that prepares healthy hot meals every day, a dining and assembly hall, toilet block, a guard house and a septic tank.

**CST INCLUSIVE PRE-SCHOOL**

**MBEYA, TANZANIA**

**Project Partners**
Child Support Tanzania (CST)
Engenius
Hoare Lea
WSP
Able Child Africa

**Status**
Phases 1 and 2 completed in 2019
Phase 3 completed in 2022
Phase 4 currently in construction

The inclusive school we have designed for CST in Mbeya will be an exemplar for accessible design in Tanzania.
We are so proud to participate in this project of the construction of Children with Disability School’s Dining Hall and Kitchen for Child Support Tanzania. We are honoured to be trusted as contractors for this project, and we completely understand its importance in the lives of Tanzanian Children with disabilities and their communities. We are committed to take it not only as a business contract, but also part of our teams’ learning and contribution to this noble cause.

David Bulegi
Technofix, Contractor

“It is challenging and very rewarding to work on the CST project. It was my dream to put my skills in use where my work can have a positive impact on the local community.”

Dominika Placek
Site Architect, Article 25

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“The new classrooms are an inclusive and disability friendly environment; it makes learning more enjoyable and meaningful to our children”

Noelah Msuya
Director of Child Support Tanzania
More than half the world lacks access to essential health services

We work in challenging contexts to design hospitals and clinics, so that health professionals can deliver quality services to patients.
TRAUMA CENTRE, 
ANANDABAN LEPROSY HOSPITAL
LALITPUR, NEPAL

Working in partnership with The Leprosy Mission, we are creating a new Trauma Centre for the Anandaban Hospital campus in Lele, south of Kathmandu.

Comprising an accident and emergency department, in-patient wards, operating theatres and a maternity unit, construction on the new building is now well underway. Once complete, it will serve leprosy patients as well as the wider community.

Following the 2015 earthquakes, 90% of all healthcare facilities in the region were destroyed or severely damaged. The new building has been designed to rigorous seismic safety standards to give it the resilience needed to continue to provide medical services in the aftermath of a major earthquake.

Whilst national lockdowns in response to Covid-19 have caused some delays, the external brickwork walls were finished in October 2021, with internal partitions now also completed and work underway to install electrical and mechanical fittings.

Project Partners
The Leprosy Mission
John Sanday Associates
Ramboll UK
Hoare Lea

Status
Construction began in spring of 2019 in Nepal, with completion due in 2022.
The construction of the new Trauma Centre is a wonderful opportunity, with the Nepalis, to learn from each other and provide, together, a building that meets international standards for a better care of the leprosy patients. I am thankful to be a part of TLMN’s goal to eradicate leprosy, a world wide organisation known for its leprosy care treatment.

Marie Herber
Site Architect, Article 25

“Leprosy patients are far from home so we are trying our best to provide them facilities and care so they won’t feel they are far away from their family.”

Sanjay Yadav
Site Engineer, Rabina Construction

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Marie Herber
Site Architect, Article 25
LALITPUR, NEPAL
LABORATORY, ANANDABAN LEPROSY HOSPITAL

The existing laboratory at Anandaban Hospital in Nepal hosts a world-class research centre for leprosy, alongside clinical diagnostic activities. The research department contributes to improved diagnosis and treatment and aims to enlarge the existing knowledge base about leprosy. The existing laboratory is housed in an old residential building, which is extremely cramped and unfit for such vital research.

Following on from working with The Leprosy Mission to design a new Trauma Centre at Anandaban, we have undertaken a feasibility study to assess the viability of constructing a new laboratory for the hospital. With this report now completed, work is beginning on design proposals for the new laboratory.

Project Partners
The Leprosy Mission
Ramboll UK

Status
Concept design stage

The existing laboratory has been operating out of what was a women's hostel for 41 years.
TANSEN, NEPAL

United Mission to Nepal (UMN) aims to address the root causes of poverty in Nepal, and as part of its mission it set up a hospital in the town of Tansen, in the west central area of the country in the 1950’s.

The United Mission Hospital Tansen (UMHT) is now a 170-bed hospital providing essential medical services for people across several neighbouring districts. The hospital employs over 400 staff across extensive inpatient and outpatient services, a variety of special clinics and community outreach programmes. While the healthcare provision is impressive, some of the hospital facilities are now quite old, and many are overcrowded. The outpatient department in particular needs to be expanded to ease the pressure of dealing with over 400 patients on a daily basis.

We are working with UMHT to develop a masterplan for the hospital’s development over the coming years, and investigating the feasibility of building a new outpatient building to the south of the current facility.

Project Partners
United Mission to Nepal
United Mission Hospital, Tansen
Hoare Lea

Status
Feasibility / Masterplan stage

The outpatient department at UMHT sees 400+ patients every day.
OPERATION SMILE CLINIC
MARRAKESH, MOROCCO

Worldwide, a child is born with a cleft lip or palate every 3 minutes. Without treatment, a cleft palate can cause difficulties with eating, drinking, speaking and breathing.

Operation Smile Morocco (OSM) is part of the global charity Operation Smile. Volunteer surgeons and clinical staff run several hundred reconstructive surgery missions in more than 30 countries every year. The three existing care centres in Morocco are located in Casablanca, El Jadida and Oujda, and serve the northern regions from the Atlantic coast to the Algerian border. This leaves people in central and southern Morocco with long distances to travel to receive treatment.

The OSM Centre that we are currently designing in Marrakesh will provide extended care will be given both before and after surgical procedures. Marrakesh is a city with a population of nearly 1 million and the site is located close to the largest bus terminal in the country. This will enable people living in central and southern Morocco to access treatment for cleft lip and cleft palate.

The design proposal is a three-storey building with a basement and roof terrace arranged around a central courtyard. The building will accommodate services in dental care, orthodontics, jaw adjustment, speech therapy and psychological care. It will also house administrative offices and a centralised warehouse for supplies for all OSM centres. The building will maximise natural light and ventilation using solar shading to provide comfortable and safe internal spaces.

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Project Partners
Operation Smile Morocco
ByrneLooby
Chapman BDSP

Status
Concept design

The clinic will enable a population of 3 million people to access cleft lip and palate treatment.
OPERATION SMILE
BOUAFI HOSPITAL REFURBISHMENT
CASABLANCA, MOROCCO

Operation Smile Morocco needs up-to-date operating theatres and paediatric wards to perform its surgical missions in Casablanca. Modern operating suites and paediatric wards are at the core of the refurbished floor of Bouafi Hospital we are currently designing; it will also have neonatal and paediatric intensive care wards. In the intervals between OSM missions these facilities will be available to treat children from the local area in Casablanca.

Project Partners
Operation Smile Morocco
Engineering partners to be determined

Status
Concept design

OSM has treated more than 6,800 children and trained over 2,000 healthcare professionals since 1999.
NEW NATIONAL HOSPITAL PROJECT

MONTSERRAT

Montserrat's brand-new 66-bed hospital in the capital Plymouth was destroyed shortly after its completion in the volcanic eruptions of 1995 - 1997. Since then, emergency and inpatient health-care have been housed in eight wood framed buildings of a repurposed primary school in the north of the island.

Article 25 was appointed by the Government of Montserrat to develop a preliminary design with options for a new 24-bed hospital on the current site.

We held extensive meetings with clinicians and hospital staff, we consulted with the Ministry of Health and relevant government departments as well as the public to understand priorities and everyone’s concerns. The resulting design focuses on a healing environment where each patient room is naturally ventilated with a veranda looking across the island to the sea. Planned and emergency treatment will be easily accessible to outpatients and a courtyard provides an opportunity for an outdoor restaurant.

Partners

Government of Montserrat
Foreign and Commonwealth Office, U.K.
Clarkebond
Rider Levett Bucknall
Daryl Murphy

Status

Preliminary Design is complete. The Final Design is expected to be warded through a tender in 2022.

The hospital design in Montserrat aims to create a good environment for proving quality healthcare in a safe, hurricane resilient, sustainable building.
Poorly built buildings endanger people’s lives

We design resilient buildings and infrastructure that provide protection for people living in hazard-prone regions.

The earthquake-resistant Trauma Centre under construction, Anandaban Hospital, Nepal
In Tanzania, approximately 8% of children under the age of 18 are orphaned, with an estimated 90,000 orphans in the northern region of Kilimanjaro alone. Tír na nÓg is an Irish charity established to address this issue, and through its Tanzanian sister organisation Kao La Amani runs an orphanage and primary school to provide shelter, food and education for vulnerable children in the town of Boma Ng’ombe.

Kao La Amani is currently home to more than 50 children, in cramped rented property in central Boma. The organisation also runs a small kindergarten and a primary school for around 200 children.

We have designed a new Children’s Village for Kao La Amani on a riverside site at the edge of town. The Children’s Village will consist of six family cottages for the children to live in with a carer, along with a dining block, library and indoor and outdoor play spaces. The entire development has been designed to operate ‘off grid’; a solar power system will meet energy needs, the water supply is from rainwater harvesting and an on-site borehole, and all wastewater is treated in a constructed wetland.

**Project Partners**
- Tir na nOg / Kao la Amani
- Michael Hadi Associates
- Hoare Lea
- WSP
- Multi-Phase Architects
- Estate Care Engineers
- MK Arch & Plan

**Status**
Phase 1 is in construction
A still from an animation showing the design for the Kao La Amani Children’s Village created by Hayes Davidson. This was also made into a virtual reality experience, for the children to explore their future home.

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Paulina-Shari Stanley
Site Architect, Article 25

“I enjoy my work because it is definitely good. I have never done any project of a similar nature before. And yes, it is important to me that I can help. I know some of these children have lost their parents, some abandoned by their families, giving my contribution to having this shelter built is beyond performing my usual construction services I can even feel God's blessings on my way.”

Elia Amos Mmbaji
Mason, Mosha Construction
COUNTRY-WIDE, DOMINICA

Along with many others island states, Dominica is increasingly threatened by global climate change and is vulnerable to a wide variety of natural disasters including hurricanes, extreme rainfall, landslides, volcanic eruptions, seismic activity and tsunamis. In September 2017, Hurricane Maria struck the island, destroying or damaging 85% of Dominica’s homes and leaving 50,000 of its 73,000 inhabitants homeless.

We have been working with our engineering partner Clarkebond, the project lead, to design and supervise the construction of 450 resilient new homes across the island on behalf of the Government of Dominica. The programme started in June 2020. An interesting aspect of this programme is that each family gets a house built on their own land which allows them to continue farming and to remain in their community.

The families can select their house from six model houses we designed for them. They can also choose some of the features such as the windows and shutters; the design is then adapted to the specific site and built by a contractor chosen by the family.

The model houses follow a resilient design and incorporate features of local architecture. Although both timber and concrete block walls are offered, almost all families opted for reinforced concrete block which many people feel is a safer option after seeing their timber homes destroyed in the hurricane.

Project Partners
World Bank
Government of Dominica
Clarkebond
Rider Levett Bucknall
Edghill Fortune Associates

Status
Sites surveyed – 321
Planning applications submitted – 254
Planning approvals received – 83
Tender packages prepared – 202
Houses under construction – 116
Completed houses – 12

One of the completed houses

450 families will get a new house in their plot of land, where they can continue their farming activities and stay in their own communities.

A house under construction
After the hurricane, families built temporary homes with what they could find among the debris.

“IT'S BEEN GREAT WORKING ON THE PROJECT, MANAGING TO MEET PEOPLE IN THEIR HOMES OR FUTURE HOMES. IT IS A VERY DIFFERENT ENVIRONMENT FROM UK CONSTRUCTION AS PEOPLE EXPECT TO BE INVOLVED INCLUDING OFTEN WITH THE ACTUAL CONSTRUCTION WORK. THEY ALSO LIKE TO CHOOSE THE COLOURS AND FINISHES OF TILES AND KITCHENS AS PEOPLE DO EVERYWHERE. IT IS DEFINITELY DIFFERENT HAVING PEOPLE LIVING NEXT TO THE SITE IN MOST CASES AND MOSTLY POSITIVE. YOU HAVE TO THINK ABOUT THE HEALTH AND SAFETY AND SOMETIMES ARGUMENTS CAN HAPPEN OBVIOUSLY BUT OVERALL, IT IS MUCH BETTER HAVING PEOPLE INVOLVED THAN NOT!”

Mark Webb
Site Architect, Article 25

“I NEVER THOUGHT THAT IT WOULD EVER COME TO A REALITY. BUT HERE I AM NOW WITH THIS BEAUTIFUL HOUSE.”

Mr Durani Esprit
Homeowner

“I'M VERY HAPPY THIS PROGRAMME PICKED ME UP UNDER THEIR WINGS AND TODAY I CAN FEEL PROUD TO SAY THAT I'M IN THIS BEAUTIFUL HOUSE THAT THEY PROVIDED WHICH IS VERY RESILIENT AND VERY STRONG AS WELL AND I'M SO COMFORTABLE.”

Mr Nweshous Andrew
Homeowner
MAKE DESIGN MATTER
MONTHLY TALK SERIES

We have continued our monthly lecture series virtually through the lockdowns of 2021 to showcase outstanding examples of humanitarian architecture, and to provide a platform for dialogue between like-minded professionals in the built environment.

Speakers from the UK and across the world have participated during the year. The series is supported by the BRE Trust. A huge thank you to all panel guests and the following speakers from our 2021 series:

May: Kounkey Design Initiative
Kibera Public Space Project, Kibera

June: Article 25
Glendon Hospital, Montserrat

July: Forensic Architecture
Beirut Port Explosion & Airstrikes on Al-Jinah Mosque
Bebbw’shebbek
Rebuilding Beirut

August: Active Social Architecture
Rugerero Health Centre, Rwanda

September: Emergency Architecture & Human Rights (EAHR)
Azraq School and Za’atari Classroom, Jordan

November: TAM associates
Children's Surgical Hospital, Uganda

December: ARUP
Druk White Lotus School, Ladakh, India
10X10 DRAWING THE CITY ART AUCTION FUNDRAISER

10x10 brings together prominent artists, designers, sculptors, and architects to create and donate artworks inspired by our day-to-day interaction with the built environment.

The ‘commissioning’ process assigns a specific location or theme for each artist to respond to through their artwork. These works are then brought together at a special fundraising auction and all funds raised go directly to supporting our ongoing work in communities worldwide.

Our latest auction theme was the “Urban Outdoors”. Previous themes have included Markets from memory, the Isle of Dogs, the Elizabeth Line, Stratford and Brixton. The theme for 2022 is Reflections. Many of us have used the past two years as a chance to think about how our lives have changed and perhaps, about our future. It has been a period of reflection, and as such provides a suitable theme for this year’s 10 x 10.

For more information on how you can get involved in upcoming 10x10, whether as artist, sponsor, or as art-buying supporter, please email events@article-25.org

Sketch by Sandy Morrison at the 10x10 live auction 2021 with auctioneer Adrian Biddell
Article 25 and Hoare Lea have been working in partnership since early 2016. The engineering consultancy has provided £20,000 a year funding support to the charity, pro bono engineering advice on a number of live projects, and has also provided a senior partner from the company to sit on the board of trustees. One current project they are supporting is the hospital in western Nepal. A senior engineer visited the site with us and once the project is in design, one of their engineers will be in the office one day per week. This person rotates every 12 weeks to give several engineers the opportunity to work on a humanitarian project every year.

If your company is reviewing its Corporate Social Responsibility programme and would like to explore opportunities to join our growing group of corporate supporters, please get in touch: office-manager@article-25.org

“Hoare Lea’s corporate responsibility strategy mirrors some of my personal values, particularly in applying our design expertise to improve the lives of people less fortunate than ourselves. We design buildings in developing countries so that we can help to establish a sustainable infrastructure and legacy projects for people that would not otherwise have access to inclusive education or healthcare. It is a way of returning the privilege we’ve had of being born in an advantaged environment.”

Marta Bisson
Mechanical Engineer, Hoare Lea
Article 25’s team is made up of a collection of dedicated and creative people. Our core team in the organisation is made up of experienced architects, communications and charity professionals, supported by an energetic team of volunteer architectural assistants and voluntary communications and charity administrators. This is further supplemented by site architects working on our construction sites, currently in Nepal, Niger, Tanzania, and Dominica.

Besides designing buildings, our team acts as a collaborator and catalyst of talented individuals to deliver design and build excellence on every one of our projects:

- Volunteer input from trustees, to talented architectural assistants, graphic designers, and communications specialists, help to deliver our work.
- Design and construction talent from the communities we work with help us to develop our feasibility studies identify the best materials, skills in the workforce, and a deep sense of place (culture, history, vernacular architecture) to embed local ownership on our projects.
- Internationally renowned engineers from civil, structural, mechanical and electrical disciplines offer pro bono or low-cost expertise and capacity.

If you share our vision for a world with greater equality of access to education, healthcare and a safe home to live in, why not join our community of committed donors, partners, and fundraisers?

Nilesh from HOK is an example. He is currently in training to climb Mt Kilimanjaro this year, seventy years after his father completed the same challenge. He is raising funds in support of our ongoing work, and he hopes to visit our children’s village project in Boma (very close to Kilimanjaro).

You can donate by scanning this QR code, or visiting our website www.article-25.org/donate.
Our pro bono partners gift so much talent, expertise and capacity to our work! Thank you to all of our project partners and engineering partners for their dedication to our cause - our collective efforts make a huge difference:

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