

The Association of Jersey Charities was founded in 1973 as the representative body of Jersey's charitable sector. The idea of setting up the Association of Jersey Charities came from a dinner conversation between Sir Billy Butlin, Deputy Cyril Tanguy, and the then Lieutenant Governor of Jersey, Air Chief Marshal Sir John Davis, early in 1971. Deputy Cyril Tanguy was elected the first chairman and Daphne Minihane MBE was the first treasurer

Today the Association represents 293 members, all of whom are registered under the Charity (Jersey) Law 2014 and the Association is incorporated under the "Lois (1862-1963) sur les teneures en fideicommis et l'incorporation d'associations".

The AJC has an unrivalled record as a body for distributing funds to charitable and associated bodies, having overseen exclusively the distribution of CI Lottery profits until very recently. Its role is to ensure that funds raised for charitable purposes under its management are used to the greatest benefit of the residents of Jersey via the charities that exist to serve them.

The Association activities, administered by its Executive Committee, operate within a specific set of values based on excellence, community and openness. A key responsibility of the Association is to work with government and its members to increase public confidence in the integrity and value of charity within the community