WHAT YOUR DONATIONS HAVE ACHIEVED

Some recent examples of what your donations have achieved include:

BETTER ENVIRONMENT FOR PATIENTS AND STAFF

In 2009 the charitable fund provided capital funding for our new paediatric assessment unit – nicknamed the Peanut Pod – attached to Peanut Ward, our specialist unit for children. It offers a more reassuring and relaxed environment for our young outpatients than the ward itself and means there is less noise and disturbance for the children on the ward as inpatients.

BETTER CARE FOR PATIENTS

The fund has supported four pilot projects to look at ways to improve care for patients. This included recruiting a research psychologist to better understand the psychological aspects of breast reconstruction surgery.

RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

The fund was used to support final year students at Brighton Medical School to carry out training placements at QVH, learning from the specialist techniques and expertise only available here.

CELEBRATING OUR STAFF

The fund helped to subsidise our 2009 staff awards ceremony, along with kind donations from local businesses. The annual celebration is a chance for staff to come together and showcase their expertise and dedication. Awards are nominated by patients, the public and collegues.

OTHER WAYS OF GIVING BACK

VOLUNTEER WITH US

Volunteers are incredibly generous with their time and help us provide the best patient care. They assist visitors at the main entrance desk, visit and befriend patients and offer administrative support. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please call our Engagement Co-ordinator on 01342 414200.

BECOME A MEMBER

As a foundation trust, we are accountable to local people through our members and have more freedom from central government control. You can be part of what we do at QVH by becoming a member.

It is free and easy to join and it gives you a chance to show your support, help shape our future, hear our news first and elect other members to the board of governors or stand yourself.

Membership leaflets, including a joining form, can be found at various locations across the hospital site. You can also download it from our website or call our Engagement Co-ordinator on 01342 414200 to receive a copy by post.

JOIN THE LEAGUE OF FRIENDS

Founded in 1949 to provide additional amenities and equipment, the league has raised some £3 million from events, donations, and member subscriptions. Minimum subscriptions are £2 annually and £25 for a lifetime.

If you wish to join or make a donation please write to The Honorary Secretary, League of Friends, at the QVH address below. Registered charity number 215518.

SUPPORT GROUPS

Staff at QVH also run support groups for patients, their carers and families. To find out more or get involved, please talk to the staff in the relevant department.

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How to support QVH

Registered charity number 1056120

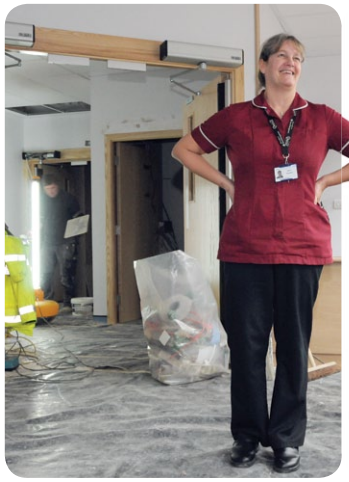
- Charitable donations
- Legacies
- Fundraising
- Other ways of giving back

SUPPORTING QVH

Some people like to give something back to QVH in recognition of the care and treatment they, a friend or relative have received or the role the hospital plays in the local community.

This leaflet explains how to make a charitable donation, leave a legacy or raise funds on behalf of the hospital. In it you will also find more information about other ways you can show your support.

HOW DONATIONS ARE USED



QVH has its own registered charity - the QVH Charitable Fund - which receives and manages any donations. These funds do not replace any of the core NHS funding that QVH receives but they supplement it.

The charitable fund enables us to improve the environment for patients, making them more comfortable. It is also used to buy additional, even better equipment, to upgrade the hospital site and to enhance facilities for our staff. The fund also supports our research and educational work, enabling us to continue developing new and innovative treatments.

As a registered charity, the management of the money received is strictly controlled by law and can only be spent on clearly defined charitable purposes.

ONLINE GIVING

QVH Charitable Fund is a member of Just Giving and Virgin Money Giving. So, if you are planning a fundraising or challenge event you can nominate QVH as the charity that your sponsors will raise money for. It's quick and easy to set up an online fundraising page and for your sponsors to support you, and us, including reclaiming Gift Aid for sponsors who are UK tax payers.

Visit **www.justgiving.com** or **uk.virginmoneygiving.com** for more information.

LEAVING A LEGACY

Some people like to remember QVH in their will and leave a legacy, big or small. There are two ways of doing this:

- A pecuniary legacy is a fixed sum of money.
- A residuary legacy is the gift of the remainder of your estate (or a percentage of the remainder) after all other gifts to friends and family have been distributed and any debts have been dealt with.

Some people prefer to specify in their will how their legacy should be used. To ensure that we are able to put your legacy to the best possible use as soon as we can, we appreciate legacies that can be used to broadly support our patients, staff, estates, research or clinical directorates, rather than more specific requirements. However, we will, of course, respect your wishes.

If you wish to leave a legacy to QVH, we encourage you to talk to your solicitor.

GIFT AID

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If you are a UK taxpayer, we can claim back the tax on your donation and increase its value by 28p in the pound at no extra cost to you. Just tick the Gift Aid box on the donation form.

? If you have any questions or want any more information about making a donation to QVH please call our Charitable Fund Manager on 01342 414280.

MAKE A DONATION

We can accept cheques and credit and debit cards.

Title:

First name:

Last name:

Address:

Postcode:

Telephone:

Email:

I wish to make my donation by (tick box):

☐ Cheque (payable to 'Queen Victoria Hospital NHS Foundation Trust Charitable Fund')

Credit / debit card:

☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard

☐ Switch ☐ Solo

I wish to donate the following amount:

£

Card number

Expiry date D D / M M / Y Y Y Y

Security number (last 3 digits on the reverse of the card)

☐ (✓) **Gift Aid:** Please treat this as a Gift Aid donation. In this tax year I will pay Income Tax and / or Capital Gains Tax that is at least equal to the amount of tax the charity will reclaim.

Signature Date

Thank you for your generosity.

Please return this form to:

Charitable Fund Manager
Queen Victoria Hospital NHS Foundation Trust
Holtye Road, East Grinstead, RH19 3DZ