OUR AIM APPEALS









Charity Registration Number 1136039

Targeting Funds to help with the cost of illness and disability and providing help in local communities.

'Meeting Our Targets'

As Our Aim becomes more established with healthcare professionals the demand for funding is ever increasing and the number of hospitals, hospices and other non-profit making organisations that apply to us on behalf of individuals and families is growing as word spreads in respect of the work we do. Our work is ongoing all year round and I am sure you can appreciate how grateful the individuals, families, hospitals and other organisations are for the help they receive. We could not of course do any of this without our donors and we would like you to know that we appreciate your generosity very much and hope that you will continue to support us in the future through our appeals. We run a special appeal at Christmas to fund special projects and this is greatly appreciated by the hospitals and organisations that benefit from this appeal and we have many requests to be included. In the Summer we run a special appeal to raise extra funds to provide much needed days out, short breaks, holidays and respite breaks for carers. We also aim to provide funding for local community groups and organisations that directly benefit people in their local area. Details of some of the many individuals, families, hospitals and other organisations that have received funding and some of the Thank-You's received are detailed, we and they appreciate your ongoing help and generosity.

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Website: www.ouraimappeals.org.uk which has links to the above sites.









Selection of Thank-You's from Recent Appeals

'Thank you for your very kind donation, which was used during the Christmas period for the patients. From all the staff on Dolphin Ward.' Ann McKinnon, Play Specialist. Medway Maritime Hospital.

'Thank you very much for the grant you awarded xxxx and his parents. It has made a big difference and relieved them of some of their financial burden. As always I am grateful for your swift response.' Birmingham Orthopaedic Hospital.

'I am writing these few lines to thank you so much for your generous contribution to my travel to the Marsden Hospital. You have no idea how this has helped me.' Mrs H.

'I would like to thank you once again for your kind donation in support of Mrs H and child. I have just rung the family and they are delighted. It will make a big difference to them. 'Disability Advice.

'Thank you so much for the monies you sent for G. I am sure this will make a huge difference in G's life and he will contact you with his thanks.' Roy Smith North Devon Recovery and Independent Living.

EXAMPLES OF RECENT GRANTS

- Richard M. Aged 15 years. This young boy first developed bone cancer in 2009 which has now recurred with spread to his lungs and chest wall. His prognosis is very poor and a grant was given towards the huge costs of his family visiting and staying with him.
- Kay H. Aged 20 years. This young woman has Adenocarcinoma of the rectum with spread to her ovaries. After major surgery she is to commence chemo/radiotherapy. Kay is unable to work as she is too ill and a grant was given for a new mattress and bedding.
- Erin C. Aged 2 years. This little girl has Leukaemia and is undergoing intensive chemotherapy. The family need to reduce the risk of infection for her and their vacuum cleaner has broken down. Money is tight due to time off work and constant travel to hospital. A grant was given to purchase a new vacuum cleaner and clothing for Erin.
- Karl P. Aged 10 months. This baby is terminally ill having been diagnosed with cancer of the neck and spine at 3 months old. His parents wish to have him home for the time he has left and a grant was given to purchase a new cot, mattress and bedding.
- Katie P. Aged 21 years. This young woman is terminally ill and has limited time. The family have a wish list which includes a helicopter ride and going to see a West End musical. A grant was given towards the cost of Katie being able to fulfil her wishes.
- Hannah B. This young girl has been battling cancer and devastating side effects of treatment constantly for nearly 2 years. Unfortunately her condition is now terminal and Hannah has a wish list of activities she wishes to fulfil. A grant was given to cover a hot air balloon ride or a ride in a helicopter.
- Faith S. Faith has end stage heart failure and a grant was given to enable her mother to purchase a fold up bed so that she can sleep in her room with her.
- Jack B. Aged 7 years. This little boy has metastatic Rhabdomyosarcoma and is having intensive radio/chemotherapy which has left him exhausted. His parents wish to take Jack and his brother for an overnight stay at Legoland to cheer Jack up. A grant was given to enable this.
- Corey H. Aged 8 years. This young boy has cancer of the kidney and is in hospital every second week for treatment. A grant was given to enable his parents to take him for some fun days out when he is well enough as he faces major surgery and continuing treatment in the future.
- Kevin M. Aged 11 years. This young boy has liver cancer and all treatments have failed and he is now terminally ill. His parents have given up their jobs to be with him throughout all treatments and surgeries and now they wish to spend all of the time he has left with him. A grant was given to enable his parents to stay with Kevin at the hospital constantly.
- Thomas G. Aged 10 years. This young boy is very ill due to cancer treatment side effects and has been in hospital for 3 months up until now. Mum stays all day and Dad all night. A grant was given towards the mounting costs of subsistence, petrol and parking.