

## 2021-22 THANKS

The Trustees would like to say a massive THANK YOU to all members of the Company, past and present, whose ongoing generosity has enabled the Charity to make a number of grants last year.

Thank you also to those members who put forward causes in need of support.

None of the work outlined below would have been possible without you!

The document below contains brief reports from the causes that have received grants so you can learn more about the work that has taken place as a result.

The London Symphony Orchestra (LSO) is very grateful to the Chartered Accountants' Livery Charity for its generous grant of £3,000, towards the delivery of the LSO Early Years Outreach programme in 2022. As part of the programme, we have worked in partnership with Bright Start Islington, which provides services for under-5s and their families through children's centres, nurseries, health centres, community centres and libraries across the London Borough of Islington. Through our partnership with Bright Start Islington, we have reached young children and their families in real need of these sessions, with many living in disadvantaged areas of the borough. Through the activity that took place in 2022, the LSO Early Years Outreach programme reached 450 children aged under five and their parents.



Sponsored by Steve Maslin

Sponsored by Nick Owen



Teach First are incredibly thankful for The Worshipful Company of Chartered Accountants' Livery Charity donation in April 2022. We would also like to thank Liverymen, Nick Owen for supporting us through this process. As agreed, this donation contributed towards our Training Programme to support the cost of one trainee based in London, who will reach over 125 pupils per year.

Teach First and The Worshipful Company of Chartered Accountants share a vision that all pupils will benefit from a great education, particularly the most disadvantaged.

I just wanted to thank you so very much for supporting our school and for all of the help you have given our families. We have made lots of orders for the outdoor area and can't wait for them to be delivered so that we can start our project.

Thank you so much for your time and help. It is very much appreciated. Thank you also for the kind donation for our families. This has particularly helped our families who have no recourse to public funding and also our very vulnerable families. It really does mean so much.





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Following the grant from the Chartered Accountants' Livery Charity, Make Them Smile has been able to provide Cruz with his sensory room and equipment, and what an amazing outcome.

With further help, the room is perfect in every way, Mum has noticed a big difference to Cruz, his tolerance has increased, he doesn't have as many meltdowns as he did, and he interacts with his siblings like never before.

We met up with Cruz and his family at the end of last year and it was the first time ever he had engaged with us.

Obviously, Cruz and his family still face challenges, but he has improved very much. On behalf of everybody here at Make Them Smile, Cruz and his family, Thank you.



On behalf of us all at St Paul's Cathedral,

sincere thanks indeed to the Worshipful Company of Chartered Accountants for the grant for an Orchestral Mass.

We are delighted that this support will now enable us to perform Haydn's Nelson Mass to Orchestra again this summer on Sunday 9th July. This performance is incredibly popular and a huge draw to worshippers and the summer tourists alike, who are attracted by the chance to experience our world-renowned music in the unique setting of Wren's magnificent masterpiece. It is also a real boon too for our choir and our professional musical partners, who relish the opportunity to perform this great work here in the Cathedral.

We very much appreciate the Company's renewed commitment to supporting this Orchestral Mass and very much look to forward to welcoming representatives of the Company here in July.



#### Cooking Matters

This was planned as an anti-poverty programme working with families going through an emotional or financial crisis and teaching them (children and carers) how to manage and survive on a low income and how to eat healthily, by running a series of 12 family creative cook and eat sessions, both online and gathered free of charge in our area of operation, scheduled to start in late 2021.

Our Aims were to: - Provide support, reducing isolation, build, grow self-worth and confidence, Promote, and encourage a healthy lifestyle. Enable learners to plan/prepare healthy balanced meals they can cook following recipes; Develop skills for making healthier choices of foods and cooking methods.



We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone at The Chartered Accountants' Livery Charity for choosing to support Money Matters. Your grant has enabled us to continue to help people with spinal cord injuries have opportunity, choice, and independence, and we are so grateful for your continued support.

The Aspire Money Matters Service offers free, impartial, and confidential telephone guidance to people with spinal cord injuries, helping people to take back control of their finances following their injury.



# WAVE 3 THANKS

In April 2020, as soon as the extent of the disruption caused by the pandemic and its impact on charities became apparent, the Chartered Accountants' Livery Charity put aside additional funds to give out in emergency grants. We asked our Members to nominate Charities they were involved with where they could see there was an immediate need.

In the first wave we were sometimes helping with immediate cash crises. In the second wave we moved on to supporting specific initiatives that would make a difference: for example laptops for schools, a new mutual aid organisation and providing mental health support.

The continued support from WCCAEW members meant a third wave of grants was made possible.

The Wave 3 Grant Programme had a focus on 'Recovery and Renewal'.

It was about helping charities to move on to whatever is their future way of working. To help them become fit for the future so they can maintain and develop their contribution to their community and their own sustainability.

Since 2020, we have received support from the Chartered Accountants' Livery Charity for our mission to change the face of suicide support.

#### CEO Sarah Anderson:

"I would like to thank you on the behalf of all of us at The Listening Place for your donation. Notably, your donation allowed us to purchase new laptops that have helped strengthen our team and enhance our capacity to help as many people who struggle with suicidal thoughts as we can. A special mention goes to Dame Teresa Graham, who was instrumental in enabling our organisations to build this relationship. I hope that this relationship continues to flourish in the coming years."



Sponsored by Theresa Graham

YMCA Exeter have completed the ambitious task of converting an abandoned warehouse in the centre of Exeter into Sidwell Studios, a block of self-contained flats for young people moving on from Supported Accommodation.

The accommodation is ultra-affordable and whilst they were successful in gaining support for the capital costs of building the project upfront, they needed more support with the staffing costs from day one.

This grant has helped us cover the cost of ensuring the project is sufficiently staffed and those staff are fully trained and inducted before young people move into the project.

<u>Please click here to view a video prepared by staff and residents of Sidwell Studios that conveys the journey they've been on completing this project</u>





Sponsored by Richard Thomas



## WAVE 3 THANKS



Westminster Cathedral was delighted to be awarded a grant from The Chartered Accountants Livery Charity last year, for security barriers and signage. This equipment is essential for the many large-scale events hosted at the Cathedral, from concerts to special liturgies and national events, where thousands of people cross our threshold. The grant meant that we were able to purchase a set of security barriers to make it easier and safer to enter and exit the Cathedral, to queue for concerts, and to cordon off areas of the Cathedral. Both barriers and signage were of great use at a recent concert of J.S.Bach's St. John Passion, attended by close to 1000 people.

Sponsored by Leslie Ferrar

Sponsored by Tony Bennewith



As we recover from the impact of Covid, we are hugely appreciative of a donation from the Chartered Accountants Livery Charity. This donation has enabled us to modify our workshops to be more energy efficient, just in time for the Winter season, in an effort to reduce our dizzying energy bills and making our working environment a more comfortable and enjoyable space to be in.

We're always happy to show visitors around if anyone would like to come and see what we do, we're celebrating being open for 25 years on the 17th June, which anyone is welcome to attend. Our vision for the future is to be open for another 25 years and beyond, and to support the young people that need encouragement and confidence boosting skills.





Sponsored by Keith Bonham

The Wave 3 Grant from the Accountants Livery Charity is a welcome addition to our plans to create a musical garden at our activity centre, Briarlands, in South Gloucestershire.

The grant from the Accountants Livery Charity will fund one element of the music garden – three "Harmony Bells" – colourful, sturdy percussion instruments, which are set into the ground.

We anticipate the accommodation and activity building will reopen to bookings and visitors in May and the musical garden will be unveiled at the same time.

Sunshine Street

Sponsored by Bill Hartley



Supporting disadvantaged children to get 'school ready' through creative play & simulated real life experiences.

We are delighted to report that our original ambition, to extend the benefits of the Sunshine Street project to around 45 children in a new Nursery setting, has been adapted and expanded thanks to the support of the Charity.

Thus far we have not only started working with a new cohort of 60 children in Clapgate Nursery, but are also planning to start in the next few weeks with a total of over 100 children in three more Nurseries - St Peter's and St Matthew's C of E Primary Schools, and Manor Wood Primary School. We hope to have capacity to work in yet more settings, but will not know for certain until agreements are in place with these three Nurseries.

We look forward to reporting further later in the year, once delivery of Sunshine Street is complete or at least well underway in each setting, on the grant's impact on the children themselves. There will be many adventures to share with you!



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Receiving this grant has enabled Kenward Trust to employ a Youth Education Executive to work within schools delivering the Think Differently programme.

In total 10 secondary schools, 4 colleges, total students 5,219

Safeguarding Governor at Sir Joseph Williamson's Mathematical School: "Wow. I just had to contact you to congratulate you on a fantastic session at SJWMS earlier today. I got quite emotional myself because you think of family, friends etc and I could tell that the boys in the hall were similarly affected. I've sat through many lectures/talks etc in my life but this was absolutely one of the best. You have personal experience of the subject matter so can tell it from the heart and with passion. You are very brave to do this but you no doubt feel that calling to help others."

St Anselms; 15yr old male:

"It showed me how to stay safe and informed and also how one decision can change everything"

Sponsored by Keith Greenhalgh



Thank you to you and fellow Committee members of The Chartered Accountants' Livery Charity for support of Turner Contemporary.

Sponsored by Clive Stevens

Turner

In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, we have reimagined our learning programmes in discussion with local communities. As part of this, we will work with local artist and researcher Sabina Desir to present an exhibition Banned (Feb-May 2023). Associated workshops will reveal the story of Black US Air Force Servicemen stationed locally 1951-8. With your support, Turner Contemporary's Learning team will engage school students across Thanet with important issues around diversity and anti-racism. These are issues that gained renewed urgency during the pandemic.

### Contemporary

Sponsored by Andrew Carver

London Early Opera would like to thank the Worshipful Company of Chartered Accountants Livery Charity immensely for supporting our educational work bringing baroque music to the forefront. The impact of this award is immense to our network as we are a very small UK charity with no costs or overheads and with full support for future ventures with our students, musicians, musicologists and historians.



This grant has had a major impact on our team from London Early Opera as we have continued to expand our emerging artists, The Handelians educational scheme with more students as we also continue to discover and edit long-lost manuscripts and unearth more glorious music to bring to modern audiences.

Some organisations provided a lot more detail that isn't included in this document; if you would like more detail on a project, or are interested in a particular organisation, then please contact Clare Ferrar on charity@accountantslivery.org.