

2024 IMPACT REPORT

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 give so many grants to deserving causes in the last year.

£189,500 to 46 deserving causes

None of the work detailed below would have been possible without your support.

The Chartered Accountants' Livery Charity generously donated £3,000 to Life Cycle's Youth Project with aims to:

- Help young people become more physically active.
- Increase young people's confidence.
- Expand young people's practical skills.





Your donation has allowed the continuation of our annual programme of bike skills and confidence sessions across three adventure playgrounds in Bristol. Since September: • We have held 80 Youth Project sessions.

- 483 children have attended these sessions.
- Of these children 345 of them are from disadvantaged backgrounds.

These sessions provide critical access to bikes, cycling activities and fun for children and young people in disadvantaged areas of Bristol during a particularly difficult economic situation.

Thanks to you, children can make new friends and gain confidence:

"Our bikes are brother and sister!" – Poppy, 8, shouting to her friend as they took two bikes of the same size and model out to ride in the playground.

On behalf of everyone at Weldmar Hospicecare, we want to express our deepest gratitude for your kind and generous donation to our Making Every Moment Matter campaign. Your support helped raise awareness for Weldmar and reach our ambitious goal of raising an incredible £250,000 in 30 hours, and an overwhelming response from supporters meant that we exceeded that target with a total of £316,846 raised, the highest total of any appeal for Weldmar Hospicecare to date.

Together, thanks to your generosity, we can make a real and lasting difference in our community and ensure no one in Dorset faces the end of life without the care they deserve. Your support allows Weldmar to be here for generations to come.

Your matched donation was key in facilitating us doubling all donations, up to the campaign goal - allowing us to continue making every moment count for our patients and their loved ones.







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Thank you for the activities, outcomes and growth that you have helped to make possible.

At Chapter One we transform children's futures with one-to-one reading support at the time when they need it the most: at the start of their school journey. Right now, many children are not able to access the opportunities they need to learn to read confidently. The window to teach children how to read is short and missing it can make it almost impossible to catch up.



Your generous grant was used towards the costs of providing oneto-one reading sessions for 40 children in London, including towards a dedicated local Programme Manager, Ateeka Meer. Ateeka has managed the programme and school partnerships in Newham and Tower Hamlets, providing initial training to the teachers and ongoing support across the school year to ensure that each child had the best possible experience and the benefits of the programme were maximised. With human connection at the heart of Chapter One's impact, she has also organised and facilitated 'meet and greet' and end of year celebration events for the children and volunteers to come together.

"J read excellently today and is really growing in confidence. Sometimes she likes to re-read stories that she knows well but today she read lots of new stories and was happy to do so. She is doing well on the higher activity level. I think after a few more sessions, she will be ready to move up a story level." Some wonderful feedback from volunteers:

Some wonderful For 30 years, PET has helped people in prison transform their lives through learning.

Your grant has helped seven people (two more than we anticipated) to access life-changing educational opportunities. The learners are aged between 23 and 65 and are held across England and Wales, at HMP Usk, HMP Parc, HMP The Verne, HMP Kirkham, HMP Thorn Cross, HMP Parc and HMP Swinfen Hall.

Six of the learners chose courses which were specifically linked to furthering their employability skills (in subjects and levels which aren't available in prison), and the remaining person is studying Foundation Journalism (before hopefully progressing onto an A-Level in History) to increase their chances of returning to university.

Your grant enabled PET to provide 'James' with a NEBOSH course in Managing Risks and Risk Assessment.

In his application form, James told PET how an experience in his workplace prior to arriving in prison influenced his choice in course:



Ive had an interest in Health & Sofety since a rajor incident occurred at a previous workplace. I was involved with implymenting new Sofety proceedures & beeping up to date with checks. Its an important route to go into as HSE is a sustainable industry & prioritised workdwide

James also elaborated on the way he hoped his course would be beneficial whilst in prison and in the future: This will benefit me in prison by giving me Something to faces my time and effort on when out of prison this will help me seems employment in a sustainable industry to help me provide & support my family in the liture.



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OF GRADUATES CLOSED OR SIGNIFICANTLY NARROWED THEIR LITERACY GAP

> 75% OF GRADUATES CLOSED THEIR READING GAP ENTIRELY

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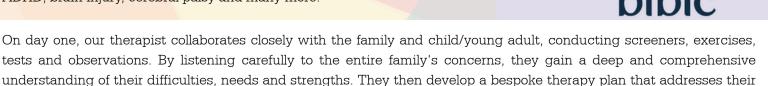
Literacy Lab provides a specialist intervention for children needing additional support to build essential literacy skills and close their literacy gap.

In the small group sessions led by our expert tutors Corinne and Sam, children practice phonics, reading fluency, comprehension and writing, with a strong emphasis on reading for pleasure and cultivating a lifelong love of books.

While we have successfully delivered our Literacy Lab programme for many years, and more recently our catch-up Reading Lab for older children, we have long thought that if we could do something even earlier, we should.

So, we were delighted to be able to announce in September that we were selected by to receive significant funding to develop Story Lab – a new Early Years intervention for nursery and reception children.

We are a small, national charity based in Somerset who support children and young adults with neurological and developmental difficulties. We deliver holistic assessments and bespoke therapy packages to support conditions such as autism, ADHD, brain injury, cerebral palsy and many more.



specific needs.



On day two, we empower parents/carers, or young person themselves, to take on the role of therapist, meaning our intervention can last a lifetime. We explain the therapy plan in detail, and provide training and support to help them implement it at home. We monitor progress through at least six months of key working, with formal reviews at three and six months, introducing therapies to keep pace with development and providing long-term support.

> "I cannot thank you enough, the therapists went above and beyond with my child, they really took their time and really understood my child and our issues. There is not enough words to say how grateful we are, bibic is worth its weight in gold!"



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Risley Avenue or RAPS as it's known were looking to raise about £1,000 to purchase sensory equipment to help their SEN pupils. This appeal was sponsored by Senior Past Master Ken Gardener who was a pupil at RAPS 90 years ago (Ken is 98 years young!). Ken and I had the pleasure of presenting the headmistress Linda Sarr with a cheque for £ 1,118.



Dear Ken, Beverley and all members of 'The Chartered Accountants' Livery Charity',

Headteacher, Linda Sarr Thanked members at the Winter Dinner in the House of Commons

On behalf of the Risley Avenue Primary School community, I would like to thank each and every one of you, for your incredible generosity.

Receiving an initial grant of £3000 has enabled us to improve our teaching of music, through the purchase of a new projector and Audio Visual system (£1,000). In addition, we have purchased resources to improve the sensory spaces for pupils with special needs (£1,000). Finally, a thousand pounds was used as match funding, for a bid submitted to the Nineveh Charitable Trust for an outdoor classroom for our school garden. The bid was successful and an order has been placed for a Poly Tunnel. This will enable pupils to use the garden in all weathers and grow a greater variety of plants and vegetables.

We very much appreciate the news that we are now to receive another £1,090. This will be used to further improve our sensory spaces for pupils with SEND. Your generosity is making a real difference to the school experience for our pupils here at Risley.

Ken and Beverley are due to visit the school again soon. The invitation extends to anyone in your Livery Company who would like to accompany them.

Very best wishes and heartfelt thanks,

Linda Sarr Headteacher





MILITARY AFFILIATIONS



I was very honoured to be invited to the MOD Saint Athan to visit our newest military affiliation - the Special Forces Support Group. The SFSG or Gs as they are now fondly known are an amazing unit of service men and women stationed at this top-secret remote site on the South Wales coast. So secretive in fact that there are no signposts and the Satnav postcode was not recognised!

We were greeted by Roger Lewis the chairman of Churchill Lines Foundation, the charity associated with SFSG, and by Captain Angus Caddick. Captain Angus laid on VIP treatment for us starting with lunch in the Officers' Mess and then taking us around the various locations on the site. He told us all about the history of the unit (very new being formed in 2006) and the essential work it does to keep the UK a safe place.

We had the opportunity to meet some of the servicemen who were on three-hour standby to be deployed on operations. They are so proud of the work that they do and were delighted that we had visited the unit and asked so many questions. The time absolutely flew by as there is so much to see. It was clear that they are equally honoured to be affiliated with our Livery Company and would welcome visits from other members.





Lt Col Ed Brown was presented with the SFSG Sword at the Winter Dinner in the House of Commons

The grant request, sponsored by Liveryman Michael Richardson, from the Sevenoaks Air Cadets is to upgrade their flight simulator, which is a decade old and needs updating.

The grant will enable the unit to improve its capabilities, very much adding to the enjoyment and learning experience of the cadets.





CITY OF LONDON

The Sheriff's Challenge





We supported Mulberry School in the 2024 'Sheriffs' Challenge', a Citybased business competition for lower-sixth formers. As well as our charity donating the entrance fee for the school, the company provided two business mentors to the Mulberry team, Libby Bassett and Steven Whitaker. This year's team of six from Mulberry put in a great performance, winning their heat, but were pipped at the post at the final, held as always at the Old Bailey.

Each year the Worshipful Company of Hackney Carriage Drivers take a group of children with life threatening diseases to Disneyland Paris.

They have now taken 5,500 children on this trip. A convoy of over 100 London taxis, escorted by the Police, London Ambulance Service and A.A. assists throughout the trip.

As a sponsor, the door of our taxi showed the Livery Charity's logo alongside 'Children's Magical Taxi Tour' for the duration of the trip.













The Livery Charity Chairs Group is very grateful that the Chartered Accountants' Livery Charity has been able to contribute for a third year to the Livery Food Initiative for food redistribution charity City Harvest. At the time of writing the Van and Truck which LFI has been able to purchase will each have delivered food for around a million meals.





The van will reduce food waste and feed the 1 in 4 people who can't afford to eat. City Harvest rescues food, people and planet by ensuring no good food is wasted.

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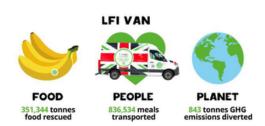
- In May 2024 City Harvest hit the milestone of 60 million meals delivered to date
- In 2024 22,238 hours volunteered
- In August City Harvest launched new 26 tonne truck
- Each of their 18 vans travels an average of 35 miles a day, making deliveries and collections,
- Caring for approximately 120,000 people per week through over 375 charities
- Preventing 85,000 of GHG emissions





We are so pleased that we have been able to support this initiative, not just with our donations but by hosting Livery wide webinars in each of the three years, so potential donors have been able to hear in more detail about the issues City Harvest face and how they can help.





From everyone at LFI and City Harvest, thank you all for your generous support.



London's Air Ambulance Charity

Time is running out to replace our two helicopters this year. Thank you for your grant of £5,000 towards our Up Against Time appeal. Thanks to your support, we have made significant progress towards bringing our new fleet into service in October. However, as we approach the end of the appeal, we urgently need to raise the remaining £4.1 million to ensure that we can keep flying.

In 2023, we responded to 2,007 seriously injured patients within London's M25. In our 35-year history, it was our busiest year on record. Your support will ensure that we can continue to be there for those who need us most and help us make the difference between life and death, full recovery, or life-long disability.



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"As soon as somebody is injured a timer starts, where their injuries are going to get worse and worse. The helicopter helps us to beat the clock."

- Dr John Chatterjee, Consultant at London's Air Ambulance Charity

Traumatic injury is the biggest killer of those aged 40 and under. Time is precious when a life is on the line. On average every morning five people across London wake up, never imagining that the day ahead could be the worst day of their lives, the day they need our help.

We are London's only air ambulance and by helicopter we get to the patient's side in an average time of just 7.5 minutes. We are the only ones in London delivering advanced, life-saving procedures including blood transfusions, open chest surgery and anaesthesia, at the roadside. Without replacing our helicopters, we simply cannot provide the level of care at the speed needed for London's most critically injured.





MAJOR PROJECT AWARD

Partnership with purpose

Changing lives is on the menu

In our crumbling society, we all need compassion. The mental health crisis, affects and hurts us all. When life unravels, we all feel pain. Our kitchen-based programmes, bring purpose back to all. Putting employment back on the menu, we return respect. We're for everyone; because we've each had a second chance. Here, anyone can cook their heart out, sharing the honour.

The Chartered Accountants' Company funding impacts real people, changes real lives



Thanks to your generous annual contribution of £75,000, we have been able to significantly expand our operations and increase our reach, grow our team with key roles, and support 120 beneficiaries each year.

593,000+ hours of work experience engaged with.

With an overarching cost of £1,895 per beneficiary, your funding has specifically facilitated the following impactful initiatives:

- Personalised Support and Guidance: Continuous support through one-to-one sessions with personalised progression-focused development plans tailored to address each beneficiary's unique needs and outline specific pathways.
- Sustainable Learning Opportunities: Provision of City & Guilds assured programmes that boost employability, foster a passion for personal growth, and encourage ongoing progressive learning.
- Life Skills Workshops: Workshops focused on essential life skills, including financial management, personal health, healthy eating and cooking, and purposeful communication. These sessions empower individuals to build improved relationships gain new networks and friendships, reducing past toxic relationships and associations.
- Young People Support Programmes: Targeted interventions designed to assist young people who are not in education, employment, or training (NEET) in returning to education, securing the right training opportunities, or employment for them.



MAJOR PROJECT AWARD

MEET PAUL:

Paul's Journey to cooking up a new beginning.

Paul was 23 years old when he went to prison, and he has spent the last 28 years of his life behind bars. He says that the world he came back to was "totally different" from what he could remember. Recognising that he was ready for a change, Paul signed up for our FreshLife programme, showing a keen interest in pursuing a career as a chef.



Paul threw himself into the course wholeheartedly. He was open with others in the program about the struggles he faced transitioning back to a normal life and reintegrating into society and his community.

Having worked in commercial kitchens while in prison, Paul's cooking skills were evident from the first practical session. However, it was the other workshops that left the deepest impression on him. "I never expected to learn so much other stuff at the same time; it's been amazing," Paul said. "This program has really given me a different view on the world. I feel like I can be part of it now."

Thanks to your funding support, Paul was able to access IT skills learning to store and retrieve documents, create a CV that included all his training while in prison, and gain a deeper understanding of laptops and the internet.

Paul completed four weeks of work experience at Brigade and secured a full-time job at a new restaurant called Home Kitchen. We will continue to support Paul as he builds his new life, offering assistance whenever he needs it as he embarks on this exciting new chapter.



Future plans for our collaborative partnership:

- Increased Chartered Accountants Livery engagement and event participation
- Embedding the volunteering strategy for all Chartered Accountants Livery members to access should they choose to
- Longterm measurable outcomes to support impactful story telling

We extend our deepest gratitude for your support.

Your commitment is not just a financial transaction; it is a partnership in the effort to create lasting social change. As we move into our final year of this funding cycle, we are hopeful and excited about the many lives we will continue to touch and transform. With your help, we are making a tangible difference in the lives of those supported by the team at Beyond Food.

We look forward to opportunities to share our progress with your members and we are always available should you have any questions or require further information.

