



We're open for applications!

How our Charity benefits patients and families.

Welcome to the first edition of our WUTH Charity staff newsletter, where we will share charity news as well as details of funding opportunities available to all staff across all WUTH clinical areas, departments, and sites.

Thanks to donations, gifts left in wills and the hard work of our staff and community fundraisers taking part in the Charity's event calendar, we're able to fund a range of projects and activities to support patients and families, at Wirral University Teaching Hospitals.

Following a pause in decisions on applications to allow for a new Charity Strategy to be developed, including review of the grant process, we're pleased to announce we're now open for applications! Thank you to staff for your patience during this process.

The first opportunity to access funds under our new process is our small grant programme for projects under £2000 (including VAT).

We hope this new process makes applying for funds to the Charity simple for staff, with clear guidance and key dates for deadlines and decisions being provided. Our newly formed Grants Panel will review small grants.

What we have funded

We recently funded the new Adult Sensory Suite for the SEAL unit. With a specialist visual and sound facility such as a colour changing wall panel, a plinth with fibre optic lights, wall projector and interactive sound panel and special soft furnishings, the suite offers a relaxed environment to relieve the stress of visiting the hospital for adult patients with additional needs.

It's a brilliant example of how WUTH Charity works with staff to enhance the patients' and families' experiences. The project has been shortlisted for a HSJ Patient Safety Award and a Nursing Times Award.



The Charity was pleased to support the refurbishment of the restaurant at Arrowe Park Hospital and the creation of a new wellbeing space with a significant investment of over £400,000. Funds were raised during the COVID-19 pandemic through the appeal launched and supported by our local newspaper, the Wirral Globe, local donations, grants secured from the national charity NHS Charities Together and WUTH. The Retreat, named by staff, opened in May 2022.



How can you help?
Join in and get involved!

There are many ways you can help support our Charity. The Charity team provides details of all events and planned activity in the weekly In Touch Bulletin and via our social media @wuthcharity. So please think of ways to get involved.

- Please join in
- Spread the word and recommend our charity to anyone you think could help us.
- Signpost grateful patients and families to the Charity team
- Have an idea? Ask the team for help, that's what we are here for!

If you have any questions or would like to arrange a time for a member of the team to drop in and have a chat about the Charity, applications and how you can get involved please get in touch with us via wuth.charity@nhs.net or contact Head of Fundraising Victoria Burrows directly v.burrows@nhs.net We'll get back to you as soon as possible.

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