

Welcome

We wanted to take this opportunity to thank once again all those who so generously support The Victoria Foundation which helps to make it possible for the charity to transform so many lives.

In this issue you can find out how TVF is making a difference through awarding grants to – Skylarks towards a sensory room in its new centre in Hounslow, the University of Nottingham to support medical students during their overseas electives, and to provide mobility aids which help give people back their independence.

It would be wonderful if you can get involved in a way that suits you to help us to continue to award grants to those in our local and the wider community who are facing such great challenges.

See pages 2 & 3 and www.thevictoriafoundation.org.uk/support-us/

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Join us at TVF's Annual Ball on 7th December

Our annual black-tie ball is a wonderful start to your festive celebrations! Join us at The Royal Mid-Surrey Golf Club for a fantastic evening with superb entertainment, all in aid of such a good cause, where you will enjoy a champagne reception, gala dinner with wine, a casino, entertainment, and dancing into the night with the opportunity to win exclusive prizes and experiences in the auctions including a Diamond Pendant, Week in the Algarve, Gucci Handbag to name just a few! See page 3 for details

Special thanks goes to

The Richmond Golf Club Lady Captain Fiona Stewart for choosing TVF as her charity for 2024 – 2025. We look forward to sharing more news of this in the Summer Newsletter.

We do hope you enjoy this Newsletter - please get in touch if you have any questions.

TVF is delighted to have awarded a grant of £7,000 towards a sensory room at the new Skylarks Centre in Hounslow.



'Skylarks are thrilled to receive this amazing support from The Victoria Foundation. This grant will enable us to provide a fabulous sensory room at our new Hounslow support centre on Innwood Road.'

Children with additional needs and disabilities from across Hounslow will have the opportunity to use this wonderful new resource which will combine a range of stimuli to help support them develop and engage their senses.

We would like to thank the Victoria Foundation, and all of their supporters who helped raise this money, this grant will help achieve wonderful things for the children and young people of Hounslow.'

Cherida Plumb Head of Fundraising, Skylarks

The Victoria Foundation receives urgent requests for help every week. Please give what you can TODAY – 100% of your donation will help to transform lives.



www.thevictoriafoundation.org.uk/support-us/make-a-donation/

If you would like to find out more or get involved, we would love to hear from you. Please get in touch on 020 8332 1788 or enquiries@thevictoriafoundation.org.uk

VIEW TVF's latest video <https://bitly.ws/3dcWh>

TVF awards a grant of £2,000 to continue its support for medical students studying at the University of Nottingham



'The Victoria Foundation is a hugely valued supporter of the University of Nottingham's international medical elective programme. As a crucial aspect of their training, the final year of our medical degree encourages our students to complete a practical placement in a healthcare setting to acquire hands-on experience in a professional environment.'

Many students would like to undertake their elective abroad. The benefits of an elective are even more substantial when undertaken overseas as they allow students to be exposed to an even greater range of new learning experiences. However, most students are required to source their own funding for their placement, and so their numbers are limited by the high cost of international travel and accommodation.'

The Foundation's support is helping everyone gain fair access to benefit from this unique learning experience in hospitals and other healthcare environments across the world. So far, students supported by The Victoria Foundation have undertaken placements in locations such as Zimbabwe, Tanzania, Vietnam, and India, gaining unique insights into how medical conditions, diagnoses and treatments can differ vastly across the globe.'

On behalf of everyone here at the University of Nottingham, thank you very much for the Foundation's ongoing support.'

Dr Christine Johnson: Community Sub-Dean, Faculty of Medicine & Health Sciences, University of Nottingham

TVF awarded a grant of £3,600 for a Triride Special Compact HT attachment for Jane's wheelchair.



"I am so grateful that TVF were able to fund the 'bike' that attaches to my wheelchair. It's an amazing mobility aid for me as I'm able to take the dogs out and use it to get around locally.

My old bike took its last breath last year, which caused me so many problems as I was unable to take my dogs out. Also, my bike gave me freedom and the feeling that I can walk, even though I'm in a wheelchair. I've always wanted to remain independent and active, and love wheelchair dancing and tennis. This bike enhances my life, brings me joy, and enables me to continue being independent.

Thank you TVF, as without your support I would not be able to replace my bike.

Cathy Maker RUILS, and Jane Getley

Bikur Cholim is delighted to accept a grant of £2,695.00 from The Victoria Foundation to pay for the installation of a stairlift.

'Mrs Piller has sadly been struggling with cancer for many years and her most recent treatment has left her with no mobility in her legs. She is a young independent woman who is devastated to have lost her independence and now that she is able to have a stairlift she is able to access the upstairs of her home independently. We and the family are extremely thankful and grateful to The Victoria Foundation and all its supporters who in their generosity were able to assist us in giving Mrs Piller some of her independence back'



How your support can help

Every donation will help to make an enormous difference to those facing great hardship.

- £80 could fund a textbook for a medical student
- £250 could fund a specialist buggy or trike for a youngster
- £500 could fund a Toolkit Grant for a medical student
- £3,000 could fund a lightweight self-propelled wheelchair
- £65,000 could fund a sixteen-seat fully accessible minibus

Please give what you can below or online via the QR code above.

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Thank you for any support you can give which will help to such a big difference in the local and wider community.

How TVF helps to transform lives

The Victoria Foundation awards grants to provide:



Mobility Aids for Children and Youngsters – helping them reach their potential.



Accessible minibuses – helping to prevent loneliness, isolation and keeping our community connected.



Toolkit Grants and Bursaries – supporting medical students who are facing disadvantage and financial hardship.

Join us at TVF's Autumn Lunch on 8th November



Please join us for lunch on Friday 8th November in a stunning venue in Richmond. Don't miss the opportunity to catch up with friends, make some new ones, and all in aid of such a good cause!

There will be wonderful prizes to be won in the raffle and auction. The funds raised will help to provide medical support and mobility aids which will transform more lives in the local and wider community.

Date: 8th November 2024

Time: 12noon - 3.00pm

Ticket: £40 includes Prosecco Reception & Two-course Lunch

Dress code: Smart casual

If you would like to join our events committee we would love to hear from you- please do get in touch.

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The Victoria Foundation Annual Ball - 7th Dec. 2024

You are invited to TVF's Annual Ball which is on Saturday 7th December at the fabulous Royal Mid-Surrey Golf Club. Guests will enjoy a champagne reception, 4 course dinner with wine, entertainment, casino and dancing - a great way to start your festive celebrations.

The proceeds from the evening will help to transform many more young lives in our community by providing specialist mobility aids.

Date: 7th December 2024

Time: 6.30pm - 1.00am

Ticket: £140/1,400 Table of 10 OR

£130/£1,300 Table if booked by 31st July 2024

Dress code: Black tie

If you want to book tickets/table, donate a prize, or sponsor the evening Please contact enquiries@thevictoriafoundation.org.uk

Congratulations to TVF's Quiz Champions 2024



Thank you to all those wonderful supporters who attended TVF's Annual Quiz and Curry Evening on Thursday 25th April - we had a fabulous turnout of sixteen teams.

Huge congratulations to TVF Quiz Champions 2024 'The-All-Sorts' - for scoring 44 points and for regaining their title from 2022!!! It was a close battle with last year's champions 'The Old Deers' finishing in third place with 40 points and this year's runners up 'A Star' with 41 points.

A huge thank you to Julian Maddock, our fantastic Quiz Master, to the 16 teams for being such enthusiastic quizzers including the Handelsbanken Richmond Team, and a massive thank you to our fantastic sponsor **Cantell and Co Estate Agents**.

PLEASE SAVE 3rd April for TVF's Quiz and Curry Evening 2025.

Congratulations to TVF Supporters for raising £1,600!



Huge congratulations to Heather, Julie, and Lorna (TVF Trustee and Development Director) for completing the London Marathon MyWay 2024 by walking 26.2miles and raising over £1,600 which will help to transform more lives.

Thank you so much to all those who so generously sponsored them - we are so grateful for your support.

PLEASE SAVE 27th April for TCS London Marathon MyWay 2025

Be part of the world's biggest marathon - you will have 23 hours, 59 minutes, and 59 seconds to complete the 26.2 miles on a course of your choice on Sunday 27th April, all finishers will receive the coveted official medal and T-shirt! You will also receive an official number to wear to ensure you get cheers from the communities you walk or run through.



Get Lucky Local Lottery tickets cost £1 a week.
Give as you Live Online is the free and easy way to raise money for TVF when you shop online with 6,000+ stores.
SIGN UP NOW and give TVF's fundraising a boost



FIND OUT MORE ON HOW TO SUPPORT TVF IN THE WAYS ABOVE www.thevictoriafoundation.org.uk/support-us/other-ways-to-support/

Events

Events raise vital funds for TVF which help to make it possible for us to transform lives. We are looking forward to welcoming you to our events over the coming months. **For further details and to book events please see**

www.thevictoriafoundation.org.uk/support-us/events

2024 and 2025

25 Jun Richmond Golf Club Charity Four Ball and Lunch - email for details

17 Oct TVF Annual Party – a thank you to our supporters

08 Nov TVF Autumn Lunch - Tickets £40

07 Dec TVF Winter Ball - Tickets £140/£1,400 Table of 10

2025

04 Apr TVF Annual Quiz and Curry Evening

27 Apr London Marathon MYWAY – walk or run 26.2miles or join TVF Team

If you would like to take up a challenge or arrange an event in aid of TVF please get in touch - we will provide all the support, you need.

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Thank you to Old Emanuel RFC for raising £720

The Victoria Foundation would like to thank Brian Cassidy and Old Emanuel RFC for choosing TVF as its charity for 2024 and 2025 and for the wonderful donation of £720 which will enable TVF to provide medical equipment and support to a greater number of people in great hardship or distress.



'I am the current President of Old Emanuel RFC, founded in 1909/10 season as the old boys club of Emanuel School in Battersea, where I was a pupil from 1973 to 1980 and have been a member of the club since 1981, but we are now an open community rugby club based in Raynes Park welcoming all players, male, female, old, young, irrespective of ability to enjoy the wonderful sport of rugby union, in its various forms.

I chose TVF as my charity for my 2 seasons in the role as it is a charity very close to us as a family given Dodo's years of commitment and my mainly previously vicarious involvement!

(Dodo (Dorothy) Cassidy is one of TVF's Trustees)

We have had two events where we have raised funds for the charity - our annual Vice President's Lunch (a collection) and our inaugural President' Day open house event held (a raffle and collection), both well attended, and I am delighted to say we raised £720.

Really looking forward to more events next season where we can again raise funds for such a worthwhile cause.' **Brian Cassidy President of Old Emanuel RFC**

Please contact The Victoria Foundation if you can put us forward as a beneficiary charity of a Foundation, Trust, or Business – the funds will help to make such a difference in the local and wider community.

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Get Involved

We hope you have enjoyed this issue - it would be wonderful to have your support to help us continue our vital work in these challenging times.

Donate

100% of the donations we receive help to transform lives.

- You can donate online at: www.thevictoriafoundation.org.uk/support-us/make-a-donation/
- By Bank Transfer – HSBC Kingston Branch
The Victoria Foundation Account: 01 56 33 27
The Victoria Foundation Sort Code: 40 26 12
- By contacting TVF, see below or the QR code



Fundraise

There are many ways you can raise funds for TVF.

- Join us on one of our challenges
- Take on a challenge in support of TVF
- Arrange an event in support of TVF
- Choose us as your charity of the year
- Attend/Sponsor one of our events

Volunteer

There are many ways you can get involved.

- Join an events committee
- Volunteer at our events
- Become an Ambassador

Join our Mailing List

For details of our events, activities and to sign up to our newsletter please go to:

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