



The Insurance Charities – what we do



We have produced a short film detailing the scope of help we are able to offer to those who work in the insurance sector and are in need of assistance.

The film tells the story of some of the people we have helped to date, dealing with issues including; illnesses, assistance with household appliances, funeral costs and life changing surgery for children.

The film can be viewed on our website
www.theinsurancecharities.org.uk

Please share the film among your insurance colleagues.

Partnership with Shelter announced

We are delighted to announce our partnership with the housing charity, Shelter. Shelter will be providing specialist help and support to our beneficiaries who need help with housing issues arising from mortgage or rent arrears, domestic abuse and unsuitable properties. This partnership will initially last for 12 months with the potential to be extended further.

To be eligible beneficiaries should apply to us as normal and we can

then refer suitable cases to Shelter to benefit from their in-depth housing advice in conjunction with our help.

This is just one way in which we are partnering with other charities to enable insurance people to access expert support and advice with a range of health and other life issues.

You can find out more about charities we partner with on our website:
www.theinsurancecharities.org.uk



Shelter

Case Study



Sophie and Greg have two children, the younger of whom is blind and deaf and will be confined to a wheelchair for the rest of his life. Both have worked in insurance.

It was proving impossible for Sophie to get her child up the stairs to the couple's first floor flat. The only house they could afford needed a lot of work doing to it and the garden was in an awful state. Family and friends provided as much practical help as they could and we were asked if we could finance adaptations as the wait for local authority help was very long. We have been able to help the family transform their property to meet their needs as a family and we are now providing finance to make the garden a safe and happy place for the children and somewhere in



which Greg and Sophie can relax. The family has been overwhelmed by the support the insurance industry's charity has given to them and said "We are isolated as a family, due to our son's condition. Thank you doesn't seem enough. You have honestly changed our lives. You have made us feel incredibly lucky."

Insurance Charities Awareness Week 2017

This year our Insurance Charities Awareness Week ran from 19-23 June. Over 50,000 insurance employees, from more than 300 insurance offices in the UK and Ireland, took part. In the month leading up to the awareness week we packed up and sent out over 550 display boxes and bags.



Highlights from the week included lunchtime lectures given at the Insurance Institutes of Leeds and Birmingham. With speakers from Mind and Dementia UK, the lectures provided information on mental health issues and recognising and better understanding dementia.

Thank you to all employers who took part. An extra special thank you to Direct Line, QuestGates, Arthur J Gallagher, Aon and the ABA Group who ran activities and fundraised on our behalf during our awareness week.



Insurance Endurance in Leeds



We had the pleasure of attending the Insurance Endurance event in June at the PFI karting racecourse in Grantham. Organised by Bankstone Insurance they generously chose us as their charity partners for the event. Teams raced for six hours to compete for top place and the mixed weather made it a challenging race for all.



Where you can find us

We are running a lunchtime lecture in conjunction with the Insurance Institute of Cheltenham & Gloucester on 28 September.

We will be at the PFS conference on the 7-8 November in Birmingham; come and say Hello if you are there.

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