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## The Insurance Charities announce partnership with The Silver Line

**W**e are delighted to announce that we have joined forces with The Silver Line to reach older people who may be experiencing loneliness and

isolation. This is part of our aim to offer practical support as well as, or alongside, financial support. The Silver Line is a free confidential helpline providing information, friendship and advice to older people. We can offer a weekly phone call or letter from The Silver Line or facilitate you being a Silver Line Friend and helping others.

*You can read the full story on our website.*



## Insurance Charities Awareness Week 19-23 June

**W**e have over 250 insurance offices across the UK and Ireland signed up to take part in this year's Insurance Charities Awareness Week. We are also running lunchtime lectures on 13 June in Leeds and 21 June in Birmingham with speakers from Mind and Dementia UK. These are free to attend and you can sign up via your local insurance institute, or via our website.

**WHEN THE UNEXPECTED HAPPENS**

REDUNDANCY  
DISABILITY TRAGEDY  
FINANCIAL PROBLEMS  
POOR HEALTH  
DEPRESSION

**WE CAN BE YOUR LIFELINE**

ADVICE | DISABILITY AIDS  
SIGNPOSTING | BENEFIT | FINANCIAL SUPPORT  
GENERAL WELLBEING | MONEY MANAGEMENT

## Insurance Endurance



**I**nsurance Endurance, a racing event for people who work in, or are connected to, the insurance industry, will be held at the UK's largest karting racetrack, PFI Grantham, on June 27 and raise money for our Charity. The event will include a six hour endurance race, an F1 simulator challenge and awards ceremony. Teams of up to eight drivers can enter the race and entry is open to all companies from across the Insurance Industry. You can register at [www.insuranceendurance.co.uk/registration](http://www.insuranceendurance.co.uk/registration)

# Case Study



Tim and Helen have two children; one of whom has significant health difficulties. Because of this their son rarely gets a good night's sleep due to banging his head against the bedframe. Tim has worked in insurance for many years and approached The Insurance Charities for help with a soft bed so that his son could sleep safely. We were able to purchase the bed and a roof box so that the family can visit friends and relatives and take the bed with them. The couple say that it has not only transformed their son's sleeping habits but has improved the quality of their family life immensely.



**LIVERPOOL VICTORIA**

We are very grateful for the support we receive from insurance companies such as LV=. LV= has assisted some of our families and individuals, where a need has been highlighted, with their holiday insurance. Families who have children with illnesses and disabilities may find it difficult or expensive to get travel insurance. LV= has stepped in to enable these families to go away together for a much needed break.



## Annual Dinners

We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone fundraising on our behalf across the UK and Ireland at Annual Dinners and other local institute events. Last year we received over £95,000 from your generous donations.



## Contributions and awards



We gave out over **£1.2 million** to help current and former insurance employees and their dependants across the UK and Ireland.

Our largest single payment was **£48,000** to pay for specialist medical treatment not available on the NHS.

Our awareness week reached over **30,000** people working in insurance in over **225** offices

One of our smallest awards was **£64** for a vacuum cleaner

Some of the ways we've been able to help



**£590** on dental costs.



**£2,658** on school uniforms.



**£10,898** for roof repairs.



**£6,250** for a hoist & sling.



**£12,989** towards funeral costs.



**£1,077** for glasses.



**£17,856** on electric wheelchairs and mobility scooters.



**£2367** for washing machines.



**£9,205** on hospital travel and parking costs.



**£17,800** on respite care.

Total monies received – just over **£170,000**  
Total monies awarded – just over **£1,260,000**

**639** Awards made in total



We sent out **53** Summer hampers



and **239** Christmas hampers to people who are in need of our support

## Where you can find us

We will be at AIRMIC between 12-14 June and at the Birmingham Insurance Institute on 12 July. If you're visiting these events come and say hello.

## Contacting The Insurance Charities

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