



Press release

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KatCanDo Charity donates £3300 to Shooting Star CHASE for much needed equipment



KatCanDo Frimley Appeal for Cancer Patients charity has given £3300 to Shooting Star CHASE hospice care for children, for the purchase of a Regis Reclining Chair. The chair is shown above with Alan & Pat Mowat of KatCanDo presenting the cheque to Geraldine Sheedy, Head Of House, at the Guildford Christopher's Children's Hospice.

KatCanDo is a local cancer charity which since inception in 2004, through fundraising, has donated over £250,000 to support local organisations in South West Surrey / North East Hampshire that treat and care for cancer patients. The support is through the purchase of equipment and services not always provided through the NHS. Organisations helped have included Frimley Park, Basingstoke and Farnham Hospitals, Phyllis Tuckwell and Christopher's Hospice as well as Marie Curie Cancer Care and MacMillan Nurses.

Pat Mowat from KatCanDo said: "KatCanDo are delighted that we have been able to donate the money to buy this very important and essential piece of equipment for life limiting children at Christophers' Hospice. We understand how important this item is to the everyday life of these children and their parents by providing comfort and support"





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Brian Gallagher from Shooting Star CHASE said: "The recent kind donation from KatCanDo facilitated the purchase of the Regis Reclining Chair. The Regis Reclining chair is a multi-functional and at times non-clinical addition as it could be used for a parent to sleep in the same room as their child or just rest. It would also be ideal chair for a teenager who requires some postural support as part of their particular condition. In short, its adaptability and mobility makes it a desirable 'home from home' relaxation resource that will be in constant use by the families who use Christopher's. We are thrilled and so encouraged by the practical and sensitive intervention of this wonderful charity"

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Note to Editors

About Shooting Star CHASE

Shooting Star CHASE is your local children's hospice charity caring for over 600 families living in western London, Surrey and West Sussex.

We aim to make every day count for children and teenagers with life-limiting conditions, and their families.

Our services are available 365 days a year, and families receive our support free of charge, in their own homes and communities and at our two children's hospices. We need to find £23,000 a day to provide all these vital services.

Find out more about the <u>families we support</u>, how you can <u>get involved</u> and current <u>volunteering</u> opportunities at Shooting Star CHASE.

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