



## Legal & General Mature Savings colleagues raise £100,000 fundraising for hospice care

Legal & General Mature Savings division in Hove have proved that the workplace can be a real force for good by raising an astonishing £102,853 for St Barnabas House in just three years, beating their original target.

When the partnership first began with St Barnabas House in 2017, the hospice had little idea what a huge part the Mature Savings division would play in funding the care of local people living with terminal illnesses.

Over the last three years, a passionate team of colleagues from Legal & General have dedicated hundreds of hours to organising and hosting a wide range of fundraising events, as well as volunteering for the hospice. Legal & General also matched every £500 raised by each employee, further boosting the amount raised.

Determined to hit their £100,000 target during lockdown, the charity team thought outside the box and continued to fundraise - holding a virtual pub quiz and two makeup auctions which raised an incredible £3,000.

A group of 40 colleagues who were due to take part in a cancelled 11-mile sponsored walk between Brighton Pier and Worthing Pier in March, came up with their own 11-mile lockdown challenges and raised £4,722. Whilst some completed the pier to pier walk on their own or in small groups, others ran 11 miles on a treadmill, and one colleague even kayaked the distance with her dog.

**“Since our partnership began with St Barnabas, we’ve arranged sponsored cycle rides and walks, run comedy and quiz nights, held raffles and tombolas, baked a lot of cakes and held a number of successful makeup sales.”**

**“The team care passionately about the hospice and have hosted events which are diverse and inclusive, allowing everyone the opportunity to get involved.”**

**Dawn Watkins, Chair of the Mature Savings Charity Committee, Legal & General**

Many Legal & General colleagues have a personal connection with St Barnabas House, including Tanya Jones whose mother was cared for by the St Barnabas Hospice at Home team in 2017.

**“I will never be able to thank St Barnabas enough for the amazing care they gave Mum and I am so glad that the company I work for can support them and give others the help I received.**

**“With Mum, the nurses and carers were tirelessly solicitous and attentive, and with their help I was able to look after her at home. They kept her pain free and nothing was too much trouble for them; coming in three or four times a day, sending night sitters so I could get some sleep and being there when I picked up the phone. They guided me through what could have been an extremely scary time had I been on my own and supported me for a long time after.”**

**Tanya Jones, Legal & General Retirement Institutional**

**“We can’t thank the Mature Savings Charity Committee enough for their unwavering passion and commitment in supporting St Barnabas House.**

**“The team have raised more money than we could have ever imagined and because Legal & General generously match fund their employees’ fundraising, we have been able to reach even more local people in need of our care. As well as their fundraising efforts, they have also contributed hundreds of volunteer hours, including helping with the upkeep of the hospice gardens, sorting donations for our charity shops and marshalling at some of our events. I have loved every second working with this amazing group of people!”**

**Jo Bacon, Corporate Fundraiser at St Barnabas House**

## Notes to editors

### About Legal & General

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### About St Barnabas House

St Barnabas House has been providing hospice care for patients and their families in the areas of Worthing, Adur, Arun and Henfield for over 45 years. Patients are cared for in the comfort of their own homes or at the hospice, where they can get help managing their symptoms, as well as practical, emotional and spiritual support to ensure they're as comfortable as possible and live life to the full.

Care services for local people living with a terminal illness include community based services such as Hospice at Home and specialist community nurses ; rehabilitation services including physiotherapy and occupational therapy; Day Hospice and outpatient services; family and bereavement support, and admission to the ward for symptom management, respite care, or end of life care.

St Barnabas House is a charity and patients and families are never charged for the care they receive. However, to provide such a high level of care to so many families in the hospice and out in the community costs nearly £9 million each year.

For the remainder, St Barnabas House relies on the generosity and kindness of individual supporters, clubs, societies, schools, groups, trusts and local businesses. You can play an important role by fundraising, supporting events, volunteering, joining the St Barnabas lottery, visiting the charity's shops, or leaving a gift in your Will.

To find out more about St Barnabas House, visit [www.stbh.org.uk](http://www.stbh.org.uk)

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