

Queen Elizabeth's Foundation for Disabled People

Your support makes a life-changing impact. Thank you!

Together we're making a difference to disabled people.

Enabling potential has been at the heart of QEF for 90 years.

Our expert services support disabled children and adults to be as independent as possible so each person can live their life to the full. We couldn't do this without you.

Thank you so much

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Over

supporters gave a regular gift, helping us plan for the future



^{Over} 1,000

supporters raised money for us through our events



In 2024 over

was generously left to QEF as gifts in Wills

Almost 50% of our staff are volunteers

In 2024 you've given nearly **1/4 million** pounds through our appeals

Your impact this year

Did you know?

Your generosity has helped us to provide enhanced services and therapies that mean we can help create even better outcomes for the people that rely on our expertise

We carried out over 400 driving assessments

at our new Mobility centre in Southampton, enabling more disabled people to become independently mobile.

We trialled music therapy with some very positive results

100% of the clients who completed the music therapy trial at our Care and Rehabilitation Centre (CRC) saw a measurable improvement in their rehabilitation. We're now making it part of our regular therapy sessions.





We introduced new technology-assisted therapy equipment

It helps CRC clients track their progress and adds an element of fun to their rehabilitation.

> It was especially good for my balance. It measures how much I was swaying on my feet and I saw good progress. Gareth, CRC Client

We're needed now more than ever



There are

disabled people in the UK¹ and this figure is expected to rise in the future

We're helping disabled people live their lives to the full



11% of children in the UK are disabled²

Our Bugzi powered chair loan scheme is giving children the freedom to move around and discover their environment on their own terms



Every 90 seconds

someone is admitted to hospital for an acquired brain injury³

The CRC is here to provide expert therapy and care, supporting people to rebuild their lives after a life-changing event



Disabled people are almost

as likely to be unemployed as non-disabled people⁴

Our Mobility Services can make people less reliant on public transport, making more job opportunities an option for disabled people QEF Rehabilitation Centre

You're there for people like Andrew

Andrew had a severe stroke while he was on holiday. After four months of hospital treatment, he came to QEF's CRC for specialist help.

> The right side of Andrew's body was badly affected by the stroke, as was his speech. QEF's physiotherapy and speech and language teams worked with Andrew to get him walking and talking again.

> > Thanks to your support Andrew made wonderful progress and achieved his goal of delivering a presentation on why he loves London to the team at QEF and his family.



Scan the QR code to see more of Andrew's transformation.

We will never forget the kindness of every single member of the team at QEF for their patience, assurance and generous spirit while looking after our loved one. Julia, Andrew's sister

> We can't do this without you!



7 out of 10 of our clients are able to return home after a stay at the CRC Noah is now in training to join the GB Paralympic cycling team

Your support is helping make Noah's dreams come true

A severe brain injury put a stop to Noah's dream of playing professional rugby. Now a budding Paralympian, Noah came to QEF's Mobility Services to get him back behind the wheel...

Following an assessment by the team at QEF Noah started learning to drive an adapted car on our private test track. He was surprised to be in a real car so quickly but our team was confident in his ability. With

> You make this possible

The support from QEF has been life-changing, and I look forward to achieving my goals with their continued help. Noah

Mobility

Services

QEF

ongoing support from QEF, Noah hopes to be back on the roads soon, enjoying the freedom of driving once again.

> QEF's Mobility Services can change the lives of people like Noah, by restoring the skills and confidence they need to live independent lives.

> > Thank you for helping people experience freedom again.





QEF Mobility complete around **1,800** mobility assessments each year. QEF MERU

Rose is zooming, thanks to you!

Every donation makes a difference

Rose relies on adults for every task she wants to complete, but in her Bugzi she can choose where she wants to go and when. Kate El Bizanti, Children's Bugzi Occupational Therapist

Rose is a 7 year old girl who has quadriplegic cerebral palsy and epilepsy. Rose sometimes gets frustrated when she can't get her body to do what she wants it to.

> You helped to provide Rose with a Bugzi, which is a fully adaptable powered chair for young children. In her Bugzi, Rose can zoom around with her friends and enjoy the freedom a fiercely independent child needs to flourish.

> > Thank you for giving Rose her freedom and supporting this life-changing work.



Currently there are **101 Bugzis** on loan for free to children like Rose, supported by kind donations. Andrew, Noah and Rose are just some of the clients we've been helping, but there are many more around the UK that have benefitted from our services – your generosity goes a long way.



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Our Supporter Promise

Last year we published our supporter promise to ensure you know how much we value your support and what you can expect from us. This is our commitment to you:



1. We'll make every donation count



4. We'll keep your data safe



2. We'll celebrate your incredible impact



5. We'll keep to the highest fundraising standards



3. We'll keep in touch in the ways you want us to



6. We'll always be here to listen



Caroline, our Supporter Care Administrator, is always ready to hear from you on **01372 841 151** or at **hello@qef.org.uk**

Scan the QR code to find out more or go to **qef.org.uk/supporter-promise**



Together, we are enabling potential

As we celebrate our 90th anniversary, we are proud to continue to offer our life-changing services:



MERU - Part of QEF, specialises in Bugzi, a powered-chair that gives young disabled children like Rose access to independence, as well as unique assistive equipment.



Care and Rehabilitation Centre (CRC) - The CRC enables people like Andrew to rebuild core skills and maximise their independence after a stroke, acquired brain injury, spinal injury or neurological illness.



QEF Mobility Services - We provide a range of expert advice to disabled people like Noah and those with age related impairments, including driving and wheelchair assessments and driving lessons.



Tryb4uFly - Offering disabled people practical advice on travelling by air.



The Grange - Our residential and supported living services in Kent support 25 people with learning disabilities to live as independently as possible.

Thank you so much for your support. You are making a difference every day.



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