

GET INVOLVED...



Could you offer a helping hand? Volunteer for SCCCC

Each day the Hospital Aftercare Team drive for miles around Sheffield delivering equipment and helping to support older people whilst in hospital, on discharge and beyond. We are always looking for volunteers to spend time with the team to assist in the following tasks:

- Collection of personal belongings for patients whilst in hospital.
- Delivery of equipment such as mobility aids, temporary key safes.
- An emergency food shop
- The moving of furniture to make way for a hospital bed in a patient's home.
- Feeding of pets.

You would always volunteer with a member of staff and the time commitment can be for a full day, morning or afternoon.

If you are interested, then please contact volunteers@scccc.co.uk for more information.

DIARY DATES

Sunday 23rd September

Sheffield 10K

Thursday 8th November

Fundraising event

Email ericka.hill@scccc.co.uk for more details.

LETTERS

Dear Dot & Karen,

Chelsie is a lovely person and I thank you for putting her in touch with me, I like her very much, she is a real tonic for me. I only have my daughter left now and having Chelsie visiting has taken a load off her.

Thank you again
Kathy

What are your thoughts about SCCCC? Email mail@scccc.co.uk

Can you help?

Make a donation today to help SCCCC to maintain the level of care that all of our friends and families deserve. Your donation will go a long way to improving the level of care in our communities.

£5 can pay for an emergency food parcel to be delivered to an older person's home who has just been discharged from hospital and has no support.

£10 can help provide emergency practical support for an older person in need.

£20 can support a fully trained friendly visitor to visit an older person at home – helping to reduce isolation and preventing ill health which can result in hospital re-admission.

If you would like to make a donation please complete the following slip and return it to us with your donation to: 11 Holland Place, Sheffield, S2 4US.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

I would like to make a donation of £ _____ *giftaid it*
to Sheffield Churches Council for Community Care.

Please Gift Aid this donation and any donations I make in the future or have made in the past four years. I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year, it is my responsibility to pay any difference. Tick to apply ☐

Please make cheque payable to: SCCCC. Do not send cash. Or visit our website: www.scccc.co.uk and donate online.

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SCCCC News

SUMMER 2018



Major donation helps SCCCC with an exciting historic first!

SCCCC are delighted to announce the arrival of not one but two vans to transport people and equipment, improving and expanding our services.



Dan Kyte and Gavin Furness, staff members of the Hospital Aftercare team trying out the new vans for size.

A chance meeting with a member of the Sheffield Freemasons back in January 2018 saw SCCCC, along with five other Yorkshire charities, sharing a £90,000 "major grants" windfall from the region's Freemasons.

The financial donations - which ranged in value from £9,000 to £30,500 - were presented at the Freemasons' Province of Yorkshire West Riding's annual meeting, which was held at the Royal Hall, Harrogate in May.

Representatives from the five organisations were presented with their cheques by the fraternity's

Provincial Grand Master, David S Pratt, at the event attended by Freemasons from Yorkshire's four counties and beyond.

For many years, SCCCC staff have used their own vehicles to transport service users and equipment, which was not always ideal. Larger pieces of equipment and those older people with mobility issues had difficulty accessing the vehicles.

The purchase of two vans will be the first time in the charity's 52-year existence that staff can transport service users in style. Both vans are wheelchair accessible and fitted with hoists with enough room to deliver larger items of equipment such as our high seat chairs.

Mark Storey, CEO of SCCCC, said; "I never imagined a chance meeting with our local Freemasons would give us the invaluable opportunity to purchase one vehicle, let alone two. This generous donation will not only allow us to carry out our work efficiently, but will improve the visibility of the charity's presence in Sheffield."

Without the kindness and generosity of the Freemasons we would not be in the position we are now. They do wonderful charity work for their local communities and we are thankful for their support.

FOCUS ON...

VOLUNTEER OF THE ISSUE



This issue we are focusing on Anne Marie Morris, one of our newer volunteers who has been with us for just over a year.

Anne Marie Morris said "I decided to volunteer for SCCCC when I retired from the NHS after 38 years of working with the elderly in Sheffield. I have always enjoyed talking to the elderly, they have a wealth of knowledge and can be so interesting. I visit two people, Ronald, who loves to talk about his war years and his career, and Pauline, who is a widow and like all widows is adapting to being alone and feels lonely at times - I can relate to this as I am a widow myself".

I love my visits and feel I am helping to ease their loneliness and giving them something to look forward to and by doing something good I also get back something in return: a sense of knowing I am doing something useful in my retirement. Most of all I have made two lovely friends and I hope Ronald and Pauline feel the same.

If you would like to volunteer for SCCCC see the back page for more information.

As the temperatures rise, our thoughts turn to summer holidays, longer days and lighter evenings. During this warm weather we should spare a thought for our older generations who find it hard to regulate their body temperature in hot weather, who may be left alone whilst family members go on holiday, and sit for hours, waiting for the endless day to end.

All too often older people are hospitalised due to heat exposure and dehydration, often forgetting to drink enough fluids and dress appropriately for the hot weather, which can be as dangerous as exposure to the cold.

With the recent addition of our new vans we will be able to transport these patients home from hospital in style and comfort.

We ensure that their homes are safe for their return; checking the heating, that the fridge is clear of any out of date food and making them comfortable with a cup of tea.

This summer we are delighted to have been shortlisted for the Sheffield Chamber 'Charity of the Year'.



STAFF PROFILE

Name: Teresa Smith
Job Title: Administrator

What does your role involve?

As an Administrator, I am responsible for the financial aspects of SCCCC including processing invoices, wages, expenses and producing statistical reports on a regular basis. My role also involves reconciling bank statements on a monthly basis as well as arranging and minuting meetings.

What does a typical day involve?

Each day is very busy and varied,



This partnership will showcase us to hundreds of businesses in Sheffield enabling us to spread the word about the excellent work the charity does. We will keep you informed of our progress.

Mark Storey
Chief Executive Officer

JOIN OUR CLUB.....

We are launching our 100 Club. A fundraising idea that benefits supporters too.

Members pay £12 a year and are entered into a monthly prize draw. They have the chance to win 40% of the monthly amount raised. 10% of the prize money will be pooled together to provide a large prize draw at Christmas and the other 50% will go to the charity. The money raised will help us continue to combat isolation and loneliness amongst older people in Sheffield. If you would like to join either download the forms from our website, email ericka.hill@scccc.co.uk or telephone the office 0114 250 5293 to request the forms.

from collating information, answering phones, producing ID cards to updating internal systems with data on financial software.

What is the best aspect of the job?

Firstly, I love to hear the fantastic stories about the ways that our services help the isolated, vulnerable and elderly. Secondly, there's never a dull moment - I have a good variety of work and enjoy working with the other staff who are very helpful, supportive and have a good sense of humour!

And the worst?

Have only worked here for a few weeks so can't comment on that yet!

NEWS...

Generous single bedding donations from the people of Sheffield



Teaming up with BBC Radio Sheffield's Toby Foster earlier this year saw our single bedding appeal reach new heights.

Imagine the scenario: living with a partner for many years, sharing a double bed, a double duvet is all you have. Then you need a hospital bed at home, single bedding is required and you don't have the money or the ability to go out and buy a new one. What do you do?

SCCCC's fundraiser Ericka Hill saw that there was an opportunity for the people of Sheffield to help by donating brand new single duvets and bedding, and put out an appeal on Twitter. Toby Foster's breakfast show team saw the post and contacted

the charity to see if they could help. SCCCC was #teamtobys first appeal and the people of Sheffield were invited to donate bedding by dropping it off at the radio station.

The response was enormous with well over 50 new duvets and bedding sets received. We were overwhelmed with the kindness and generosity of the people of Sheffield.

Ericka said, "When we receive referrals to move furniture to make way for a hospital bed at home, we often get asked if we have any single bedding; now we can help reduce the stress of the whole situation by providing a set for each person we help, thanks to the generous people of Sheffield".

Shortlisted for 'Charity of the Year'

We are thrilled to announce that we have been shortlisted for the Sheffield Chamber of Commerce Charity of the Year 2018/19. Up against two other local charities, the winner will be announced at the Chambers Presidents Dinner on September 20th.



Gin N Jazz evening

We recently had a very boozy fundraiser hosted by the Gin Bar @ Vintedge.

Guests were treated to a gin tasting evening with a talk by Martin Miller gin expert, Ben Schulze. The evening was complimented by the sounds of jazz, with three time Grammy award-winning singer Aaron Casserly-Stewart, jazz pianist extraordinaire Ryan Taylor, and saxophonist Samantha Jade who all generously gave their time and talents for free.

The evening was a fantastic success, and raised £355 to help combat isolation and loneliness in Sheffield.



Pie N Pies Fundraiser Annual cruise and quiz is a winner!

Our annual pie and peas cruise quiz on the Sheffield canal was a fantastic fundraising evening raising £543. Once on board we filled our tummies with award winning pie and after a quick stop at the Tinsley lock, we were ready to face the quiz. Though the questions were tough, we ended up with a tiebreaker situation. The winning team was PLAN B who won a brewery tour around Thornbridge and trophy each (Luckily there was no cheating and therefore no one had to walk the plank).