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### GRANTS TO THE VOLUNTARY SECTOR FUND - ORGANISATIONS

The completed application should be returned via e-mail to [communitygrants@caerphilly.gov.uk](mailto:communitygrants@caerphilly.gov.uk), or to the Policy and Partnerships Team at the above address.

Any additional information which cannot be supplied in the space provided, may be given on a separate sheet, which should be signed and dated by the applicant.

**Name of organisation (as detailed on the bank account):**

Kids Cancer Charity

**Does the organisation have an adopted constitution?**

Yes (please provide a copy)  No

**What year was the organisation formed?**

1989

**What is the organisation type?**

Charity (state registration number)  Voluntary/community organisation

1118321

Other type of organisation (please state)

**Name and address of main contact for application:**

Mrs Rosemarie Davies, Kids Cancer Charity, Waunarlwydd, Cockett, Swansea, SA2 0GB

**E-mail address:**

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**Contact telephone number:**

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**Main objectives of the organisation:**

We aim to improve the quality of life for children affected by cancer and provide emotional & Practical Support That compliments and adds value to the services provided by the statutory authorities.

Our Objectives are:

- To Promote our charity to enable us to reach as many potential services uses as possible.
- To listen to what a family wants and help them to achieve their goals whenever possible.
- To adopt a child/family centred, non-judgemental approach in all aspects of our work.
- To provide stress free holidays, which are appropriate and personalised for each family.
- To liaise with health professionals on behalf of the families.
- To Establish a network of outside agencies to compliment the services we offer families.
- To provide professional Play Therapy to children, to help them communicate their thoughts, worries and feelings.
- To offer confidential support.
- To provide appropriate bereavement support for parents and children.
- To maintain detailed and accurate records of all income and expenditure.
- To actively seek sufficient funding to ensure the continuance of our services

**How often does the organisation meet and where?**

We work Monday-Friday, and weekends when necessary

**Is membership of the organisation open to all sections of the community?**

Yes  No

**Is the organisation affiliated to a regional or national organisation?**

Yes (please state organisation)  No

We are a very small national charity helping children and their families throughout the UK. We only have the one office which is in Swansea

**Is the membership of the organisation drawn mainly from residents of the Council's area?**

Yes  No

**Composition of the membership of the organisation:**

Number of adults?

12

Number of juniors (under 16 years)?

none

**Amount of membership fees or subscriptions?**

N/A

**Does the organisation own its own premises?**

Yes       No

**Amount of grant sought?** (please refer to Appendix 1 for General Criteria amounts)

**2,500**

**Purpose for which grant is sought?**

We are currently helping nine families living in Caerphilly that has a child affected by cancer. This grant will allow five of the families to have a respite break.

We provide a full range of our services to families living in Caerphilly including Play Therapy to help the child come to terms with their illness and if terminal to help them understand and prepare. Another form of therapy are our Respite Breaks. The families are brought to our attention when normally the family has hit rock bottom, from all the treatments and stress, and basically the family torn apart by the diagnosis & logistics of looking after any siblings and one parent having to return to work, and they desperately need a break. Our breaks give the families time to just be together, and be a normal family, no treatments, doctors. Treatments in children usually last for years not just a few months, our breaks are crucial to the families well-being.

The families can go to our Two Luxury Mobile homes in Porthmadog on the edge of Snowdonia National Park, Eryri in North Wales. Or Lydstep in West Wales where we also have Two Luxury Mobile homes in prime positions next to the beach. Or they can choose our Lovely Luxury Lodge in Burnham On Sea, or the New Forest, all in the UK, we also send families on a three-day trip to Disneyland Paris, or finally a trip of lifetime two weeks in Orlando Florida.

The cost to send a family in the UK is £500. To Paris £750. And Florida £1,250.

You have been incredibly generous helping us to help the families with children affected by cancer living in Caerphilly, we're hoping you can help again please.

**How much is being sought from or provided by other sources?** (please provide details)

We continuously appeal to companies, grant giving Trusts and Foundations, and the community. We have yet to secure any funding from Caerphilly

**Has the organisation made an application to the Grants to the Voluntary Sector Fund in the last five years?**

Yes (please give result)       No

We are extremely grateful to have received a grant in 2021, 2022, both £1,650 and 2023 £2,000.

**Bank Account details - these must be supplied and must be in the name of the organisation. Grants to successful projects will be made via bank transfer direct to this bank account.**

**Name and address of bank:**

**Sort code:**

**Account number:**

## **DECLARATION**

I/we consent to the information provided on this form, and any information subsequently provided by me/us either verbally or in writing, to be processed for the purposes of the assessment of my/our request for assistance by Caerphilly County Borough Council. I/we understand that the information may be disclosed to other related organisations, and to the Council's external auditors.

I can confirm that to the best of my knowledge and belief, all answers on this application form are true and accurate. I also confirm that I am authorised to sign this agreement and to act on behalf of the organisation making this application.

**Print name:**

**Signature:**

**Capacity in which signed:**

**Date:**

We are collecting your personal data (name, address, telephone number, e-mail address and bank account details) in order to process your application for grant funding. Should your application be successful, this information will also be used for the purposes of making payments in relation to your grant award.

If your grant application is successful, your information will be retained for a period of 6 years plus the current year and will also be accessed by the Authority's Corporate Finance and Audit Teams for the purposes of the administration of the financial affairs of the Authority and Audit purposes. If your grant application is unsuccessful, your information will be retained for a period of 2 years.

You have a number of rights in relation to your information, including the right of access to information we hold about you and the right of complaint if you are unhappy with the way that we have handled your request or your information. If you wish to make a request to see your data, or to object to the manner in which it is processed, please contact the Data Protection Officer at the Information Unit on 01443 864322.

**Please note:**

All organisations receiving financial assistance must:

- Have principles of operation which accord with legislation on employment, health and safety, racial and sexual discrimination, disability discrimination and language for employees and volunteers.
- Demonstrate an understanding of and commitment to equal opportunities concerning access, language, culture, gender and ethnic issues.

Under the Head of Corporate Finance's role as Section 151 Officer, with responsibility for the administration of the financial affairs of the Authority, all applications may be subject to review. As the authorised representative of the Section 151 Officer, the Council's Internal Audit Services must be granted access to all financial documents or records held by the applicant in relation to the approved grant funding. Any review may, if considered appropriate, include site visits to premises.

If it is found that the grant has been used for purposes other than those as stated within the application, or that any of the terms and condition of the grant have not been complied with, the Authority, at its discretion may withhold or recover part, or all of the funding.

## General Criteria for Financial Assistance

Category	Criteria	Amount (£)
A	Organisation or Association owning a building	372
B	Organisation or Association not owning a building	207
C	Sports Club (up to 50 members)	207
D	Sports Club (over 50 members)	310
E	Other membership group e.g. Boys & Girls Club, YMCA, Scouts, Cubs, Brownies, Rainbows, St John Ambulance etc. (up to 50 members)	207
F	Other membership group e.g. Boys & Girls Club, YMCA, Scouts, Cubs, Brownies, Rainbows, St John Ambulance etc. (over 50 members)	310
G	Brass and Silver Bands	496
H	Arts Groups e.g. Jazz Bands, Choirs, Arts Societies, Writers Clubs, Theatre Groups etc.	207
I	Environment Groups e.g. Allotments, Beekeepers Groups, Gardening Clubs, Tenants & Residents Associations, Pigeon Clubs etc.	207
J	Other Community Groups	207
K	Individuals (amateur) representing Wales within the UK	207
L	Individuals (amateur) representing Wales outside the UK	310
M	Individuals (amateur) representing Wales Top-up Grant	103



Caerphilly Council

Dear Vicki & Councillors

16<sup>th</sup> January 2025

I would like to take a moment of your time please, to thank you for the Absolutely Amazing support & generosity that you have shown to the Kids Cancer Charity, and the children & families we're supporting in Caerphilly. You have been incredibly kind, and extremely generous, over the years, we can never thank you enough.

We're hoping you might be able to help us again please, we would be thrilled if you could, we are currently helping 9 families living in Caerphilly, that has a child affected by cancer, by providing Respite breaks and a full range of our services.

Because the treatments usually go on for years in children, we offer the families respite breaks for the duration the child is affected by cancer. The treatments and illness, plus logistics, can tear their world apart. The families are normally at rock bottom when they have a respite break, they are put under unimaginable stress hearing the diagnosis of cancer in their child. The family will be split as one parent normally stays with the child in hospital, while the other will need to return to work, and any siblings just don't understand what's going on, and why they are having to stay at grandmas, friends or even neighbours, and not forgetting the sick child will often endure months of painful treatments, but normally it will be years. If the child is terminal the family might want a final break away on their own.

The families choose where they wish to go, and this is usually dictated by treatments the child is receiving, and how long they can be away from the hospital environment.

I'm sure you know we provide Respite Breaks in our four Luxury mobile homes, we have 2 in West Wales, & 2 in North Wales, plus a luxury Lodge in Burnham-On-Sea. plus we have the use of a luxury caravan in the New Forest. All are set in prime positions in Haven Parks, with onsite entertainment including a swimming pool indoor and outside, plus we source tickets to local attractions for the families. Help is close by should the families need support.

The families can also have a 3 day break all-inclusive in Disneyland Paris, with tickets to the Park and Disney Movie Pixar, plus fast track Genie passes and finally a trip of a Lifetime to Disneyworld Florida, with a week staying at our charity partners hotel, all-inclusive and just as magical as Disney, followed by a week in the charities own luxury villa, with free tickets to All the parks, plus fast track Genie passes. Our luxury Villa is in Kissimmee, just 20 mins away from all the parks and close to all the restaurants and local attractions, Downtown Disney, Boggy Creek Airboat Rides through the everglades and only an hour from Kenedy Space Centre.

Our respite breaks are usually the first thing the families can look forward to in a long time, and the breaks are designed to give the families precious time together, to re-build their bonds, and just be a normal family again.



Children and families who need our support are referred to us via hospital oncology departments, social services, schools and other charities from all over the UK, and our promise to our users is to give them complete confidentiality, as you would expect from any health authority. Our services include: Compassionate Care Respite Breaks UK; Play Therapy, Bereavement Support; Befriending; & Support Groups, Paris Dream Experience. plus our American Dream Experience.

Due to feedback we gain from the families, these breaks are crucial to their wellbeing, as they help to rebuild relationships, the sick child usually feels more confident and finds it easier to mix with other children, and more amenable to continue treatments

These breaks start at £500 to send one family away in the UK. £750 to send a family to Disneyland Paris and £1,250. To send a family to Disneyworld Florida. Anything you can give towards this will be very much appreciated; it would be wonderful if you could help us again please.

It's been a year since our last contact, and this year is our 36<sup>th</sup> year. Here's a little info of what the charity has been doing last year. Separately from our normal fundraising to send families away on a respite breaks the charity has been trying to raise enough money to build a new therapy centre in our Swansea head office, so that families can relax in a purpose built building while receiving therapy, and the children will feel at home, with all the toys and equipment and we will be able to reach out and accommodate far more families.

So our challenge was called our 35 for 35. (35 challenges for the 35 years we've been supporting families) My colleagues Alice and Abigail, in September returned from a Mammoth bike ride from Swansea to Paris, a bit sore and exhausted but thoroughly enjoyed the trip especially as raising vital funds along the way, Plus we took over the Gower Bike ride last year, which sees many riders cycling for many miles around the Gower. We've had people running the London Marathon for us, and sky diving. Our Ten Y Fan challenge, (Pen Y Fan is a mountain in the Brecon Beacons in Wales, 886 meters tall,) and our challenge to people is to walk up and down Ten Times, hence the name Ten Y Fan, a huge achievement for those who managed to do it. We even have white collar boxers competing in organised fights for us, plus quizzes and clairvoyant evenings

You can see there's an awful lot going on, especially for a small charity, where every penny really does count and make a difference to the children affected by cancer we support and their families.

Thank you for taking the time to read our appeal, we would be delighted if you could help us again please

Have a Fantastic day

With Kind Regards

Rose

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