



## Supporting Milton Keynes University Hospital during Covid-19

Firstly, we'd like to once again say thank you to everyone who has given such incredible support to the hospital during this time – all those individuals, groups, companies, organisations and charities who we have been in contact with over the last month or so. Thank you!

Together you've donated funds, mobile phones, tablets, PPE, pens, toiletries, snacks, drinks as well as your time – and we really are grateful for your support.

### How you can help

We're still discouraging anyone from visiting our hospital for non-urgent appointments, which includes coming onto site to donate goods or items.

Right now, the most effective way to support the hospital is via our COVID19 appeal.

We're encouraging people to donate or fundraise so that we can raise vital funds for our staff. This means we can respond quickly to what staff need, sometimes in a matter of hours, and allocate to where the need is greatest.

We've already spent funds on a staff wellbeing area, care packs for staff, fridges for staff to store fresh meals and 80 mobile phones to enable vital parent/family/staff contact. You've helped us make this difference, so thank you.

### And we don't just want our support to stop there.

We know that once the pandemic is over, hospital staff will still need our support dealing with the long-term impact of Covid19. We want to be there for them – and can be with your help.

With all this in mind, making a donation is the safest and most effective way to give and support our NHS staff and patients whilst staying at home.

For more information you can visit [www.mkhcharity.org.uk](http://www.mkhcharity.org.uk)

### Amazon Wish List

If you would like to fund an item to support staff wellbeing at this time you can purchase through our official amazon wish list.

<https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/PB56ACM4R0QP>

Items are delivered to our fantastic main stores (goods in) team where they are then distributed to wards and departments.

However, as explained above, the charity is starting to use funds to bulk buy items – as there is a much speedier turnaround time. We will update the Amazon

Wish List as regularly as we can, but at the moment, please consider making a donation.

## **Food deliveries**

We're only accepting donations from suppliers/businesses, stores/supermarkets, organisations, professional caterers or restaurants as we are encouraging individuals to stay at home and stay safe.

If your business would like to make an offer of food, please contact the charity team in the first instance – [fundraising@mkuh.nhs.uk](mailto:fundraising@mkuh.nhs.uk)

Please don't come to the hospital site without arranging delivery or drop off with our team first.

## **Handmade Items**

We're accepting handmade scrubs and scrub bags but unfortunately we cannot accept knitted items of any kind as they pose an infection control risk. If you would like to use your crafting skills to help please email our charity team for guidelines.

## **PPE**

Please note that we are not encouraging donating or fundraising towards PPE. These items are purchased by our NHS Trust team through approved suppliers.

If you do have PPE to donate please email the charity with your name, supplier, the specifications and accreditations of the equipment and the quantity.

## **How you can contact us**

If you would like to donate products, goods or services, please contact the charity team via [fundraising@mkuh.nhs.uk](mailto:fundraising@mkuh.nhs.uk) or call 01908 996221. We will get back to you as soon as possible if we can accept the items, with safe delivery instructions.

For more information, visit our website [www.mkhcharity.org.uk](http://www.mkhcharity.org.uk)

# **Thank you for your support.**