



## Supporting Milton Keynes Hospital Charity

Once again we would like to say thank you to everyone who has given such incredible support to Milton Keynes University Hospital during the pandemic. 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.

### Volunteering

As with so many other things, Covid-19 has had a devastating impact on our volunteering opportunities with the majority of our events and community activity being cancelled or postponed. We are working on our plans for 2021 and we hope that we will be able to see many of you again soon! If you are thinking of volunteering for us please email [fundraising@mkuh.nhs.uk](mailto:fundraising@mkuh.nhs.uk) to register your interest.

### How you can help now

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, or by making a donation to a ward or department of your choice. This means we can respond quickly to what patients and 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).

### Looking to support our staff or patients?

We are so grateful to members of the public for thinking of Milton Keynes University Hospital during these difficult times and understand that people would like to support our staff and patients. The safety of everyone is absolutely paramount and we continue to support the advice from the Government for people to stay at home.

We have instead created a virtual way to help patients in hospital, as well as staff by setting up two Amazon wish lists - one for staff and one for patients. The lists cover a wide range of care items and is the safest way that you can make a donation at this time.

Staff wish list [https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/TETETEAT2R6B?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/TETETEAT2R6B?ref=wl_share)

Patient wish list [https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1H3N1740SEPMG?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1H3N1740SEPMG?ref=wl_share)

### **Food deliveries**

We are currently unable to accept food deliveries of any kind and are encouraging individuals to stay at home and stay safe.

### **Handmade Items**

Thank you to everyone who supported us earlier this year by making headbands, scrubs and scrub bags. Thanks to your generosity we now have all the supplies we need. If you would like to use your crafting skills in another way please email our charity team on [fundraising@mkuh.nhs.uk](mailto:fundraising@mkuh.nhs.uk) to discuss.