Tapping House

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Shine a Light



What does Christmas mean to you?

Christmas is one of the most special times of the year for all families.

During the month of December our Light Up A Life campaign at the Hospice and in the community, will provide an opportunity for people to pause and reflect, to celebrate our families and remember those who are sadly no longer with us. Christmas is a really important time at the Hospice. Since 1998 we have been lifting the spirits of our community with community outreach at this time of year. Our Hospice tree is adorned with hand written stars from hundreds of families we have supported over the years. It is a magical moment in our calendar which carries our team of nurses through the often exceptionally busy Christmas period, caring for our patients and families. Wherever our patients visit in the Hospice and for whatever reason families come to Tapping House during the festive period, we will make sure that the Christmas spirit is felt.

After a successful debut in 2024, we are once again offering an opportunity for businesses to get involved in our Light Up a Life appeal, and demonstrate their support for the Hospice by sponsoring a light up star to decorate the front of our building.

This wonderful initiative will symbolically Light up and provide hope to people in our community, to shine a light on the work of the Hospice and demonstrate the support of our business community.

Our Christmas Stars Switch On event on **Tuesday 1st December** will be a magical evening, and a brilliant opportunity for you and members of your team to discover first hand how your support directly impacts our patients and their families all year round. The evening will include live festive music and complementary drinks, light bites and mince pies. Each corporate supporter will receive an official invitation to the event, and those that have sponsored a Wega or Orion star will be offered a tour for up to 5 members of staff. The event will be publicised with official thank you across a number of our social media platforms and we will give a mention in our partnership newsletter to the whole business community.

Your star will light up the dark winter nights, representative of our care, for staff, patients, families & volunteers.



This Christmas, the front of the Hospice building will be home to stars that will be shining brightly for our patients, their loved ones and our staff and volunteers.

Your sponsorship includes:

- Your star will shine brightly outside the Hospice throughout the month of December.
- You and your team will be invited to our official switch on event on Tuesday 1st December. This will be a fabulous festive evening with mulled wine, mince pies and Christmas music. You will have the opportunity to enjoy the wonderful lights as well as learning more about how your support will benefit our patients and their families.
- Your star will be identified with a bespoke gift tag with your company name or logo.
- Your company name or logo will be included on our sponsors board which will be proudly displayed outside the front of Tapping House during December.
- Sponsors of a Wega or Orion star will be offered a tour for up to 5 members of staff.
- We will celebrate all our kind star sponsors on our website and via our social media post on Facebook, LinkedIn and Instagram where we will tag in your organisation with a reach of over 15.4K people.
- We will provide you with a framed photo of your star with our Hospice nurses so that you can share your generous sponsorship with your clients, customers and followers.
- Your star will be seen by our supporters who attend the Light Up A Life service at Tapping House.



Pentor

£500

45x45cm

Reva

£1,000

59x69cm





Orion

£2,000

125x125cm

Your Sponsorship



"Working at the Hospice during Christmas is a privilege. We decorate our patient's rooms, organise celebrations, and arrange for families to share a Christmas lunch together, creating cherished memories during what can be a very difficult time.

While it can be a challenging time for our patients, with many wondering if it will be their last Christmas, we strive to make it as special as possible for them and their loved ones.

Shine a Light is a wonderful way to support Tapping House, you will be showing your support for the families we are caring for this Christmas, be they making precious memories with the time they have together, or remembering a loved one no longer with us."

-Chloe Martin, Ward Manager




£500
offers specialist training sessions for Hospice at Home nurses to ensure the latest palliative care practises.
£1,000
would pay for 25 bereavement sessions which helps to support families in their darkest times.
£1,500
covers the catering costs of the Inpatient Unit for 16 days.
£2,000
would pay for 2 months of running costs for our Hospice at Home fleet.
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About Tapping House

When no illness is the same, we offer one-of-a-kind care. From cancers to Huntingdon's Disease, we're expertly trained to support **every one of the patients we serve every day.**

We focus on rest-of-life care and bringing joy to patient's lives. Our team share a dynamic, proactive ethos and our expert nurses and health practitioners are passionate about delivering excellent care based on individual wishes and choice.

We also work with families to offer bereavement services and together with support from our fantastic community and volunteers we reach 6,000 patients and family members every year.

Tapping House was set up by healthcare professionals and local volunteers responding to a need for dedicated support for those with life-limiting conditions in our community. This continues to be the basis of our work: skilled professionals and trained volunteers working as a team to provide a wide range of extraordinary care services.

We currently provide care to around 2,000 patients a year and around 4,000 members of our community. Whether this be in our inpatient unit (IPU), through Hospice at Home or in our outpatient Tulip Centre.



Extraordinary Team delivering Outstanding Care:

Dr Hugh Ford Inpatient Unit

Our nurse led unit at the Hospice provides 24 hour compassionate palliative support and care for patients facing a life-limiting illness.

Hospice at Home

Our nurse led team providing end of life care and support for people in the last 6 weeks of life in the comfort of their own home.

Rapid Response

We have an overnight service that provides expert telephone advice, support and signposting for healthcare professionals and family caregivers, as well as rapid response to unplanned care in the home.

Tulip Centre

Our outpatient unit supports patients and their families at the start of their journey with us. We offer a wide choice of rehabilitation activities and therapy to enhance independence and quality of life.

Emotional, Social and Pastoral Support Services

We provide patients and their families with emotional and spiritual support during the palliative phase of life and into bereavement. Our service is multi-faith or no-faith according to the person and offers a simple but crucial space to reflect, grieve and mend at an indescribably difficult time.

Compassionate Communities

We know that social connections within communities are a key to helping people living with serious illness, managing caring roles and coping with bereavement and grief. Our education programme supports the community of healthcare professionals, groups and individuals to reconsider death, dying and grief and be better able to foster connections with those people in their community in their phase of life.

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Looking for more ways to get involved?
Get in touch to discuss further opportunities:

- Corporate Volunteering
- Charity of the Year

- Challenge Events
- Sponsorship Opportunities

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