

**King's can
comfort support
research pioneer
because you care.**



**Together, we've
had a wonderful
impact this year**



Improving patient care



Patient visited by the therapy dogs

“Therapy dogs are just pure magic. It’s the highlight of my week.”

With the joy of therapeutic dogs and music

Your support means that we can introduce specialist services such as a therapy dog scheme, run through the King’s Volunteer service, which lift patients’ spirits during difficult times. Our beautiful volunteer therapy dogs visit regularly, bringing smiles to faces across

the hospital and canine comfort to many patients, even on tough days. Thanks to your generosity we were also able to expand our music therapy programme, so more people can experience moments of relief from their anxiety and pain.

By making space for difficult moments

While nothing can make discussing the health of a sick child a better experience, a new Quiet Room funded by our supporters is providing a calming space where families can talk to doctors and nurses. The room, on the Princess Elizabeth and Lion Children’s Ward, was designed by parents to create a private and peaceful environment. Featuring soft, muted colours and a sofa, it’s a more comforting space where families can hold and support each other during stressful times.

“Thanks to our incredible supporters, we’re giving families a space to find solace, strength, and comfort when they need it most.”

Kevin Farrell, Paediatric Matron



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And bringing fun and play to children’s wards

Making space for children to relax while in hospital is not just an added extra—it’s a vital part of their wellbeing and recovery. Thanks to you, we’ve transformed the playroom on the Princess Elizabeth and Lion Children’s Ward at King’s. Completed in 2024/25, this project turned a once cramped and cluttered room into an airy, welcoming space for all ages—featuring projectors, sensory walls, a quiet area, and interactive games.

“Play is an extremely important part of a child’s recovery when in hospital.”

Kevin Farrell, Matron on the Princess Elizabeth & Lion Ward

Delivering new research and treatments

New 3D bioprinters for young liver patients

Children in liver failure are facing brighter futures thanks to research made possible by our supporters. A state-of-the-art 3D bioprinter installed this year will help King's teams to research medicines that can temporarily carry out the function of the liver. If these drugs are successfully developed, they will buy patients vital extra time – to either wait for a liver transplant, or to allow their livers to recover on their own.

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Our research will hopefully enable children with liver failure to leave the hospital completely cured without the need for any other medication.”

Dr Jessica Nulty, Senior Liver Cell Scientist at the King's MowatLabs

Helping patients age well with sickle cell*

Your donations mean that King's teams are able to tailor support to help people with sickle cell disorder live happier, healthier lives. Thanks to advances in medicine, people with this condition – which most commonly affects those with African or Caribbean heritage – are living longer. But they still face health challenges, which are often not solved by conventional approaches. Thanks to your support, King's teams are making progress on a £150,000 project to improve care pathways for patients living with sickle cell disease, helping us provide more thoughtful and holistic care.

£150,000

funding is now transforming sickle cell care for our community



Letting people breathe easier, at home*

Respiratory diseases can turn people into prisoners in their own homes, and as well as being isolated, these housebound patients miss important hospital appointments, which in turn makes their health worse. However, thanks to our supporters, the new Home Ventilation Service is taking specialist healthcare where it's needed most. We hope that through more regular check-ups and treatment, patients will find their symptoms improve, as well as their quality of life and mental health.

*In 2023/4 we committed £300,000 to two innovative projects as part of the Strategic Crown Fund. These projects are now well underway

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£150,000

is now reaching patients too unwell to get to hospital



Building support

Brain tumour research in Charlotte's name

After Alex Eades tragically lost her daughter Charlotte at just 19 to a rare type of brain cancer, she was determined to improve the outcome for other patients. Working with her son Miles, Alex set up the charity Charlotte's BAG, which helps fund scientific research in the neuropathology department at King's. We're very grateful to everyone who donates in memory of someone – every pound poured into research helps King's help others.

If you would like to raise money in memory of a loved one, visit supportkings.org.uk/memory



£300,000

So far, Charlotte's BAG – in the care of our charity – has raised over £300,000 to fund research into Glioblastoma, a rare form of brain tumour



Thanking Barbara and Duncan for their lasting legacy

Helping Jo and Arthur reach London landmarks

Having a healthy two-year-old son is what motivated Jo to run the London Landmarks Half Marathon not once but twice. Jo's son Arthur became seriously ill shortly after he was born, but thanks to lifesaving care at King's, he is now fully recovered. Jo was determined to give something back to the hospital and has raised £1,000 through her running. Thank you to Jo and anyone who has been inspired to raise money to help others.



“King's will forever mean so much for us. The treatments that Arthur had there were the best in the world.”

Jo, London Landmarks Half Marathon Fundraiser

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Gifts in Wills are vital to making fantastic patient care possible at King's, so we are grateful to everyone who decides to leave us a legacy, including Barbara and Duncan Deacon. They were inspired by the “extraordinary care” Duncan received at King's after his liver cancer diagnosis in 2012. Duncan had three rounds of chemotherapy and a life-saving liver transplant. Since then, he and Barbara have been committed to giving new hope to more patients and supporting our work, including in their Wills.

Find out how to leave your own lasting legacy, or request our free guide to gifts in Wills at: supportkings.org.uk/wills-legacies

“We are so grateful for everything King's did for us and encourage others to join us in leaving a legacy in their Will.”

Barbara Deacon

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Abseil away with King's!

If you've got a head for heights and would like to raise funds for pioneering research and excellent patient care, then join us on 5 or 6 September for our charity abseil. Along with a group of other daring fundraisers, you'll be making your way down the side of the 100ft tall Golden Jubilee Building at King's. Our last abseil event raised more than £19,000 – join us this September and help us raise even more for patient care.

Sign up now at
supportkings.org.uk/abseil

