

East Renfrewshire GoodCauses(ERGC) Achievements Yr 5

First 6 Months Yr 5 Oct 11 – Mar 2012

A big thanks, to all friends & supporters who helped us, help our neighbours across ER. Anyone wishing to join or help ERGoodCauses, can do so by contacting Russell via the web at the following www.ergoodcauses.co.uk or r.mac@talktalk.net or 0141 639 8230.

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East Renfrewshire Good Causes - ERGoodCauses	First 6 months Year 5 Oct 11 - End Mar 2012	Running Totals after 4.5 Years Mar 2012
ERGC Goods Given Out	£ 21,243	£116,153 (100%)
Individual beneficiaries	161 people helped	647 people helped
Total Running Costs	£ nil (0%)	£1,640 (1.4%)

ERGoodCauses where 100% of personal donations are spent directly on local good causes

Mar 12 – Fridge/freezer - registered blind pensioner – freezer drawers on top – to allow for Braille type stickers – small amount of vision – see/pick frozen meal & safely cook – microwave (100%)

Mar 12 – Single bed, wardrobe, cabinet etc – bought from ReUselt – for a teenager living with a single parent who suffers long term depression but is trying to get back to work (100%ERGC)

Mar 12 – Replace an uninsured external storage unit/large wooden shed (storm damaged) and repair leaking roof at the “Stables “– Age Concern Eastwood Dementia Centre (33%ERGCause)

Mar 12 – Basic carpet/vinyl to help a single parent with child set up home in empty council flat – after living in homeless accommodation in Eastwood area due to marital breakdown (100%ERGC)

Mar 12 – Cooker to help late teens adult set up own flat – prior to getting a full time job, had lived - homeless unit - the kinship carer/grandparent developed chronic substance misuse habit (100%)

Mar 12 – Creation of a garden path to allow a medically retired nurse – awaiting a heart & lung transplant – to use mobility scooter & prevent being totally housebound (8%ERGoodCauses)

Mar 12 – Computer for use by a young adult – receiving community psychiatric support, to help encourage the rehab & return to university, after spending time in hospital due to stress (100%)

Mar 12 – Provide educational activity for a school age child, who needs to live with a grandparent “kinship carer “due to drug addiction of the single parent (40%EastRenfrewshireGoodCauses)

Mar 12 – Provide a replacement cooker for use by a single mum & 3 school age children - mum successfully overcame her drug addiction - now providing children with stable background (50%)

Mar 12 – Provide an “ application “ download for an IPad2 - help aid communication for a late 30's adult – cerebral palsy, learning disability, epilepsy and is a full time wheelchair user – (28%ERGC)

Mar 12 – Portable hoist - adults with disabilities - living in Netherlee House, use in house & the ability to go for short breaks, to a larger range of places where no hoists in accommodation (50%)

Mar 12 – Help a late 30's adult with learning difficulties, to set up home - with a support package – living independently within the community for first time, after lifetime staying with parents (25%)

Mar 12 – lino/carpet for single parent & baby, setting up home - mum has very significant mental health disorder requiring ongoing support - community psychiatric team, social workers etc (45%)

Mar 12 – Provide a “dropped kerb“ to allow a single parent, with chronic muscle wasting disease causing mobility restrictions, to park the car at side of house & allow easier access (36%ERGC)

Mar 12 – Items for the funeral of the father, for a single parent, with disabled son, where the dad had lived in the daughters house, after returning from hospice for last few weeks life (10%ERGC)

Mar 12 – Some larger sized clothes, for a patient who suffered chronic weight gain - side effect of taking essential but unpleasant medication to control a bi polar mental health disorder (100%)

Mar 12 – Bunk beds to allow a separated single parent with mental health issues, living in a 1 bed flat, to look after their child and prevent the child having to be taken into local authority care (50%)

Mar 12 – Provided travel help (during rehab) for an ex services adult - broke his leg by slipping on ice on the way to work - after time off to be a carer - terminally ill mother (75% ERGoodCauses)

Feb 12 – Good condition, single bed from ReUselt for a mid 70's pensioner with Alzheimer's, who is living with/being cared for, by her daughter who is herself, reliant on state benefits (100%ERGC)

Feb 12 – Specialist car safety seat/harness to prevent a primary school (Isobel Mair) child – non verbal - autism, no danger awareness - prevent them constantly unbuckling seat belt (71%ERGC)

Feb 12 – Provide an Ipad2 with specialist software for use by a teenager - aspergers syndrome – in mainstream secondary school – struggles to keep up with class mates (42%ERGoodCauses)

Feb 12 – Provide combined Ipad2 with specialist software for use by a child who attends Isobel Mair School – suffers from Angelmann's syndrome – has no verbal communication (75%ERGC)

Feb 12 – Provide new bed - try to encourage - single parent mother, doing a great job as a mum with her four children, despite an ongoing battle against chronic depression (50%ERGCauses)

Feb 12 – Provide replacement heater for a playroom, being used by a child with autism, who displays very challenging behaviour - to give the single parent mother some respite (50%ERGC)

Feb 12 – Electrician to install a second hand cooker & an Ariel installer to provide a working signal for a long term hospital patient, moving to independent living in the community (100%ERGCauses)

Feb 12 – Second hand tumble dryer from The Salvation Army for use by a carer(bother in his 60's) who gave up work 10+ years ago - look after his incontinent brother with learning difficulties(100%)

Feb 12 – Provide an IPad2 for a primary school age child with cerebral palsy and suspected aspergers syndrome who lives in a family where the sibling has additional support needs (50%)

Feb 12 – De clutter & deep clean a house for a blind/deaf pensioner who has been living for many years, in one room of the house, without any external support, despite the severe disability (100%)

Feb 12 – Washing machine, kitchen lino - family where dad has lost job through chronic ill health, mum released from hospital (due to severe depression) and pre-school child asthma (100%)

Feb 12 – Basic clothing essentials like new fitting shoes with no holes, new underwear, etc for a pensioner - had been living in poverty, to restore dignity within a new care home setting (100%)

Feb 12 – Basic fridge & cooker to help an early 20's homeless, working (part time) dad, to set up home, where no statutory help to furnish was available, due to not being on benefit (100%ERGC)

Feb 12 – Petrol lawnmower for the “ Nielston Community Repair “ group to enable them to cut the grass for elderly,disabled,housebound individuals within the Nielston area (100%ERGoodCauses)

Feb 12 – Provide an IPAD2 for a primary school age child with autism and displays of mutism, to encourage communication, education and learning by using specialist applications (62%ERGC)

Feb 12 – Equipment to safely bring to an upright position, autistic adults who can lie/sit on ground, unable to get up, due to their inability to deal with unexpected changes in their routine(33%ERGC)

Feb 12 – Home computer training for a father with MS, who is a full time wheelchair user, to gain a computer qualification to help in his quest to return to work by increasing his employability (50%)

Feb 12 – Materials/paint etc to help encourage a single parent, with serious ongoing mental health issues to complete the decor of her flat, as part of her rehab & struggle against depression (50%)

Feb 12 – Basic carpeting – children's rooms & hallway - for disabled single parent mother and 2 children - newly allocated housing association flat, after living in temporary homeless unit (50%)

Feb 12 – A single bed for teenager, where both parent & child had to flee from chronic, ongoing domestic abuse and set up new home whilst trying to maintain school attendance (100%ERGC)

Feb 12 – dog boarding kennels - single parent mother was admitted to hospital over Christmas and the aunt looking after primary age child wasn't allowed the child's dog in her tenancy (80%)

Feb 12 – Deep clean a flat for a mid 60's adult, living alone with physical disabilities, obsessive compulsive disorder OCD, socially isolated with no family or friends (100% ERGoodCauses)

Jan 12 – Basic washing machine - single pensioner in poverty and with a chronic chest condition who had to wash their clothes at local swimming baths – been doing so for several years (100%)

Jan 12 – Paint & materials for a team of volunteers from Barclays working with a social worker, to decorate a council flat for a long stay hospital patient moving into the community (100% ERGC)

Jan 12 – basic washing machine to help a widow and children set up new home, resulting from the sudden, traumatic death of the step parent, after years of a stable tenancy/family life (100%ERGC)

Jan 12 – transport of 2 donated single beds, vinyl floor for living room, new children's duvets and bedding for a single parent family – history drug misuse, living in damp/dirty surroundings (50%)

Jan 12 – Several new mattresses and single bed for children - family living in squalor and over crowded accommodation, where the mother has overcome long term drug addiction (50%ERGC)

Jan 12 – Specialised combined computer/communication device to help a late 20's adult, living independently, with cerebral palsy but unable to hold a telephone due to his disability (90%ERGC)

Jan 12 – Provide an annual free entry swimming pass for a registered blind, young child with both physical & profound learning difficulties who attends Isobel Mair School (100%ERGoodCauses)

Jan 12 – Provided plumber for a pensioner in poverty, living in residential caravan to fix both the LPG hot water boiler & blocked toilet - without hot water and toilet for several years (100%ERGC)

Jan 12 – Household goods from ReUselt (second hand) to help set up home for a single mum & two kids after the sudden death of the step father resulting in family having to relocate (100%)

Jan 12 – Basic level carpets - young family, a new born and other preschool child, who have bare floorboards throughout tenancy – surviving on total monthly income of £520 from benefits (50%)

Jan 12 – Washing machine for a single parent mum, struggling financially even after working in two different part time jobs per day, despite struggling with mental health issues (50% ERGC)

Jan 12 – A basic fridge for a qualified professional who had been allocated a new council tenancy after experiencing homelessness due to having a breakdown & mental health problems (100%)

Jan 12 – A basic living room + a donated second hand bedroom carpet to help set up home for a landscape gardener who had become homeless after breaking wrist & marital breakdown (100%)

Jan 12 – Wheelchair power pack for use by a a mid 60's stroke victim to allow his wife/carer to take him outside and maintain as independent life as possible despite the reduced mobility (50%)

Jan 12 – Single bed/mattress for a young child with special needs, and is living with a single parent where the household income is derived solely from state benefits (100%ERGoodCauses)

Jan 12 – Computer for a secondary school pupil, living with a single parent who has been clean and able to stay free of a previous chronic drug/alcohol addiction for more than 3 yrs (50%ERGC)

Jan 12 – Washing machine for a young family with a newborn baby, where dad works night shift in a low paid job & mum gets no maternity - not being long enough in previous job (100%ERGC)

Dec 11 – House clean and front door repair for an early 60's couple where husband was medically retired due to stroke & wife/carer has other physical/mental health issues (100%ERGoodCauses)

Dec 11 – Provide a therapeutic wheeled saddle type chair for a late 50's MS sufferer (had recent falls) who is the main carer for both elderly father and her daughter who has advanced MS (100%)

Dec 11 – Fridge & single room carpet for a single parent in full time employment, who earns just above the qualifying amount to qualify for assistance from the benefit system (100%ERGC)

Dec 11 – Provide laminate flooring in the living room for a family, with four pre 10 years old kids, where two suffer from asthma and the household income is reliant on state benefits (100%)

Dec 11 – Carpet for 2 young children's bedrooms, where both parents have significant health issues, leading to limited family income & difficulties in heating home & fuel poverty (100%)

Dec 11 – Provide the paint/materials for a team of volunteers from Barclays Bank, to redecorate the house for a mid 50's adult with profound learning difficulties and no surviving family (100%)

Dec 11 – Winter clothing & footwear for a young teenager, living with a single parent, who suffers from serious depression where the household is under severe financial difficulties (50%ERGC)

Dec 11 – Wheelchair power pack to facilitate a large, early 50's adult with severe learning and physical difficulties, to prevent being housebound & excluded from outdoor activities (71%ERGC)

Dec 11 – Basic household goods, for a family consisting of a mother, father (who works part time) both with mild learning & physical difficulties, looking after their 2 pre school age children (100%)

Dec 11 – Food, power cards etc for a single parent father, with mental health problems, forced to relocate from a private let, due to landlord failing to pay the mortgage on the buy to let flat (50%)

Dec 11 – Provide a lightweight, self propelled wheelchair, for use by a mother who had both feet operated on simultaneously, to minimise her loss of wages and time off from employment (100%)

Dec 11 – Coats, shoes and warm clothing for 3 young children whose father had to resign from his job and care for kids, after the mother abandoning the family due to her drug/alcohol addiction

Dec 11 – Second hand bed & bedding (Salvation Army) & mattress cover, clothing to facilitate hospital discharge for a pensioner living in uninhabitable & neglected home surroundings (24%)

Dec 11 - Clothing to prevent social isolation late 50's adult - been fully co operative in taking medication (side effects, chronic weight gain) to control major mental health disorder. (100%)

Nov 11 – Ipad2 for a young primary school age child with autism and other physical disabilities resulting in very poor communication ability and associated learning difficulties (75%ERGCauses)

Nov 11 – Washing machine for single parent, two children (one with a disability) where the parent volunteers to encourage substance mis - users to conquer their addiction, like she had done (50%)

Nov 11 – Training lessons & new voice activated computer & software for a registered blind adult, with no useable vision, who works and lives independently within the community (71% ERGC)

Nov 11 – Provide a reconditioned and cleaned, **donated laptop**, to a teenager, doing well at school, despite the chaotic background due to previous substance misuse of the single parent (nil)

Nov 11 – Replacement carpet and second hand settee for an elderly lady being discharged from hospital & respite to allow for an upgrade to their impoverished living conditions (33%ERGC)

Nov 11 – Provide a tumble dryer for a single parent, with poor mental health, who looks after 3 school age children, one of which has severe asthma, to prevent damp clothes in house (50%)

Nov 11 – A washing machine for use by an adult (previous, long stay hospital patient, with serious mental health issues) and the carers, whilst living independently within the community (100%)

Nov 11 – A replacement bed and combi tv/dvd for use by a teenage pupil who attends Isobel Mair School as a result of non verbal autism, learning difficulties, behavioural problems (100%ERGC)

Nov 11 – Provide fitting outdoor footwear and warm clothing for a primary school age child, who lives with a single parent, who is on incapacity benefit due to poor mental health (100%ERGoodC)

Nov 11 – Lightweight folding wheelchair for use by the wife and carer of an ex services, mid 80's Parkinson's sufferer, to allow her to take husband out and prevent both being housebound (55%)

Nov 11 – Provide an Ipad2 for a mid 30's adult with mild learning difficulties, hearing loss, poor eyesight who successfully lives independently within the community (40%ERGoodCauses)

Nov 11 – Provide an Ipad2, for a primary school age child with severe developmental delay, non verbal autism, enabling them to communicate at home by using images on the Ipad (100%ERGC)

Nov 11- Clearing/cleaning a flat for a mid 40's adult who hoards/ & learning disability, and lives independently, to allow ERC landlord to rewire and update the electricity system (18%ERGC)

Nov 11 – Household goods to help a long stay hospital discharge patient 30's (psychosis and epilepsy) to live independently, from their retired parent, for the first time (25%ERGC)

Oct 11 – Goods to set up tenancy for a young 20's adult who was previously homeless, and suffers from depression/dyspraxia to try and prevent tenancy breakdown (25%ERGC)

Oct 11 – Reconditioned second hand cooker for a mid 60's stroke victim and full time wheel chair user, where the spouse had to stop working to become a full time carer (100%ERGC)

Oct 11 – Fix a sensor operated door opening mechanism allowing independent access for an adult, late 20's cerebral palsy/learning difficulty living in own home in community (25%)

Oct 11 – Fix crumbling concrete steps to allow installation of a hand rail for a registered blind pensioner with multiple, age related & complex health conditions (100% ERGoodCau)

Oct 11 – Laptop to help a hard working young adult, from an underprivileged background, to complete assignments as part of HNC college course to gain skills/employment (100%)

Oct 11 – Provide a job coach/support for a young adult with aspergers/autism to gain some work experience via an internship in the hope of securing a paid part time job (33%ERGC)

Oct 11 – A specialist cot bed for a preschool child with multiple, complex mental/physical disabilities to prevent the growing child from injuring themselves during the night (37%)

Oct 11 – Items towards the funeral for a mid 40's adult with learning difficulties, who died unexpectedly from an epileptic seizure, whilst waiting for an assessment (10%ERGoodCauses)

Oct 11 – Carpeting for the flat of a hard working young person, whose low wage is just over the threshold for accessing a grant to help set up their own tenancy after being homeless

Oct 11 – Washing machine for a single parent with primary school age child, undergoing chemotherapy resulting in vomiting, requiring frequent washes of Childs bedding (50%)

HOW YOU CAN HELP

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3. Send a donation ERGoodCauses

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