Manchester legal recruiters reach fundraising goal for children's hospice

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Employees from Manchester legal recruitment consultancy Interlink Recruitment, have raised more than £6,000 for Francis House Children's Hospice in two years of charity fundraising activity.

The internationally operating consultancy with offices in London and Manchester picked Francis House as their Charity of the Year 2018/2019.

Daniel Rosenthal, Commercial Director said: "When we embarked on supporting Francis House in 2018, giving back to the community through charity fundraising was the one thing we weren't doing as a business. By that time our team had grown significantly, and we felt the time was right to support a local charity."

Senior Administrator, Beth Johnson, researched local charities and drew up a shortlist for an office staff vote at the New Bailey Street, Manchester office.

The team kicked off their efforts by sponsoring colleague Adam Salkie to grow a moustache for two months and quickly raised £1,000. Dress down Fridays, movie days and team nights out followed along with participation in the Easter Knitted Chick Appeal, Great Manchester Run and the Francis House Cheshire Three Peaks challenge.

"Fundraising for Francis House made a big difference across the business. It enabled us to get involved in events we wouldn't have otherwise pursued; and to do so with empathy and understanding. Our team is used to working towards goals, but reaching our fundraising target brought a greater sense of achievement for everyone," added Daniel.

Within two years a total of £6,107.00 was raised for the charity that cares for the families of children and young people with life-limiting conditions.

Rachel Astill, fundraiser at Francis House said: "We feel very fortunate to have worked with a company as enthusiastic and generous as Interlink. We've loved hearing about their creative ways to raise funds - Adam's fabulous 'tash for cash' gave us all a good smile! Daniel, Beth, Adam and the team have been super supporters; not only were they keen to get involved with our events, but their eagerness to learn more about the hospice over the partnership showed their true compassion for our cause."

Francis House is eager to hear from businesses of any size keen to give something back to their local community. The fundraising team will work with companies to generate exciting and motivating fundraising ideas.

Francis House Children's Hospice based in Didsbury, Manchester supports families from more than 30 Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) across Greater Manchester and Cheshire including Trafford, Stockport, Manchester, Bury and Oldham. The charity needs to raise £12,900 every day to continue to provide professional care, support and friendship in a home from home environment. Services include respite care, homecare, day care, sibling support, end of life care and symptom control, emotional and bereavement support.

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