



Dinas Powys Community Council

Dear Councillors

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We are a small charity based in Swansea, that helps children affected by cancer and their families all across the UK and have proudly been providing a full range of our services for families for 36 years this year. We are helping 2 families living in Dinas Powys, 41 families living in the Vale, that has a child affected by cancer by providing Respite Breaks, Play Therapy and a full range of our services. We're hoping you might very kindly help us please, we'd be thrilled if you could.

Children and families who need our support are referred to us via hospital oncology departments, social services, schools and other charities from all over the UK.

Our services include: Play Therapy; Bereavement Counselling; Befriending; Support Groups; Compassionate Care Respite Breaks UK and Disneyland Paris Dream Experience & finally Disneyworld Florida Dream Experience.

The families are normally at rock bottom when they have a respite break, their world torn apart and turned inside out with a diagnosis of cancer in their child. The family will be split as one parent normally stay's with the child in hospital, while the other will need to return to work, and any siblings just don't understand what's going on, and why they are having to stay at grandmas, extended family, friends or even neighbours, and not forgetting the sick child will often endure months of painful treatments, but very likely years.

Our respite breaks are usually the first thing the families can look forward to in a long time, and the breaks are designed to give the families precious time together, to re-build their bonds, and just be a normal family again. we provide Respite Breaks in our four Luxury mobile homes, we have 2 in West Wales, & 2 in North Wales, plus a luxury Lodge in Burnham-On-Sea. plus we have the use of a luxury caravan in the New Forest. All are set in prime positions in Haven Parks, with onsite entertainment including a swimming pool indoor and outside, plus we source tickets to local attractions for the families.

We also send families to Disneyland Paris for a 3 day stay all-inclusive in a Disney Hotel with three-day complimentary theme park passes for admission into Disneyland Park and Walt Disney Movie Studios with additional Genie Lanyards allowing priority access to jump all the queues.

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And finally a trip of a lifetime to Disneyworld Florida, where the families stay with our charity partners Give Kids The world, all-inclusive with tickets for All the parks and fast track Genie Lanyard to jump the queues, followed by a week relaxing in the charities very own luxury Villa, with it's own pool and BBQ area, situated in Kissimmee, 20 mins from the parks and close to all the restaurants and local attractions: Everglade air rides, Downtown Disney and only an hour from Kennedy Space Centre.

Due to feedback we gain from the families, these breaks are crucial to their wellbeing, as they help to re-build relationships, the sick child usually feels more confident and finds it easier to mix with other children, and more amenable to resuming treatments.

These breaks cost £500 to send one family away to the UK, £750 to Disneyland Paris or £1,200. To go to Disneyworld Florida. any amount towards this would go such a long way, we'd be delighted if you could help please.

Thank you for your very kind consideration

