

# 2024 Foundation Report

AT HEALTH PARTNERS, OUR COMMITMENT TO CARING FOR PEOPLE EXTENDS BEYOND OUR EMPLOYEES, CLIENTS AND PATIENTS.

This is why we established the Health Partners Foundation, which has proudly contributed over £600,000 since its inception in 2021.





When we have a spare pound in our pockets, it's important to ask ourselves how we should spend it. Do we spend it on ourselves? Do we invest it? Or do we give it to someone who really needs it?

ANDREW NOBLE, CEO

# Impactful Investing

As a business, we have experienced substantial growth over the years, and our approach to charitable giving mirrors the principles we apply to our business. Consequently, when selecting a charity to support, we prioritise organisations with accountable leadership, who can provide transparent and measurable outcomes.

That's why we work with the <u>Give It Forward Trust</u> to provide multiyear and unrestricted support to charities in order to drive long-lasting, meaningful and measurable impact.

#### **Unrestricted funding**

We will always provide unrestricted funding. We understand the difficulty presented to charities of restricted funding. We are investing in leaders who are trusted to deliver our funding effectively to maximise outcomes and we recognise that local leadership, operating closest to those in need are best placed to make those decisions.

#### We believe all lives are created equal.

# We look to support charities that resonate with us, professionally and emotionally.

### Our investing criteria needs to meet two key objectives:

#### MEASURABLE IMPACT

- Clear business plan
- Accountable leadership
- Minimal or zero overheads
- Transparent reporting

#### EMOTIONAL IMPACT

- Smaller, family run charities
- Women, children, vulnerable people
- Inspirational people
- Local charities run by passionate people.

- Measurable outcomes
- Honest recognition of mistakes.

Over the last 12 months we have made a significant impact by donating over £137,700 to various organisations, including:



Breast Cancer Now Supporting research and care for those affected.



British Expeditionary Aid & Rescue Assisting evacuations of the elderly in conflict zones in Ukraine.



**CAMFED** Supporting girls into school in Tanzinia.



St Peters & St James Hospice Sussex based compassionate hospice care.



Smile Sri Lanka Ensuring access to health, education, and recreation for children who need it.



Surfers Not Street Children Support programmes for street children in South Africa.



**The Lotus Flower** Operating four women's centres in Kurdistan and Iraq.



**Royal Countryside Funding** Empowering rural communities and family farms.



The Martlets Hospice End-of-life care and support for impacted families.



MIND Championing mental health awareness and support.



Blood Cancer UK Dedicated to beating all types of blood cancer.



The Brain Tumour Charity Research, campaigning and support for those affected.



#### Campaign for Female Education (CAMFED) is one of many charities we've supported this year through the Give It Forward Trust.

We believe strongly in the power of education, whether that's our very own Health Partners Academy in the UK or supporting those in developing countries who would not otherwise have access to education they deserve.

In Tanzania 75% of girls enter primary education but only 8% complete secondary school. Which is why we've donated to CAMFED who aim to empower girls in Tanzania by supporting them to complete their education, unlock their potential and become the leaders of the future.

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#### We're proud to have directly supported:

- 869 women and girls (ages 15 17) to complete lower secondary education.
- 85 women (ages 18 20) to complete upper secondary education.

#### **Outstanding Academic Success**

- Girls supported by the programme had a graduation rate of 98.5%, significantly higher than the 42% national average.
- 325 girls are now enrolled in further education, while 544 have joined the CAMFED Association, which provides to opportunities like entrepreneurship, Training, or additional education.
- An impressive 94.9% of girls progressed to the next grade throughout the project.
- The average attendance rate reached 94%, surpassing the projected target of 86%.







#### The Lotus Flower runs four women's centres for displaced people and the refugee community in Kurdistan and Iraq.

Focusing on making a real difference in the lives of vulnerable women and girls and enabling them to build sustainable futures beyond conflict and displacement.

The organisation was founded by Taban Soresh in 2016 who survived genocide as a child and is passionate about helping vulnerable women and girls to learn, grow and heal.

As of January 2023, their programmes have positively impacted on more than 60,000 women, girls and community members – half of those directly.

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## The Lotus Flower runs a wide range of projects, including:

- English Language, Arabic and Adult Literacy Classes
- Computing and the Women's Business Incubator Classes
- Psychosocial Support, Youth Suicide Prevention Education and Child Protection Services
- Human Rights, Women's Rights and Girls' Hygiene Education
- Special Needs Support
- Plus holistic activities such as art, music, drama and yoga.

#### FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE LOTUS FLOWER ON THEIR WEBSITE.



For more insights into the impact of Health Partners, we invite you to explore our annual report, which sets out our work and commitments to our environment, communities and people.

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