

Mark Benevolent Fund

Formed in 1868 at the suggestion of the MWGM The Reverend George Raymond Portal.

It was abhorrent to Rev Portal for any delay in supplying aid to those in need. His motto was:

Bis Dat Qui Cito Dat

He gives twice who gives promptly
Or

A Gift given without hesitation is as good as two gifts.

Since 1868 many MMM, wives, widows, friends, charities & good causes have benefited from the MBF. The MBF has given over £7M to those in distress.

Some key ones are:

£500,000 to various blood bike groups in England & Wales to purchase Blood Bikes and Cars. There are 2 of these vehicles operational in N'Land.

£3.4m to the St. John's Ambulance to purchase 53 Ambulances & Treatment Centre vehicles.

Grants made in recent years are:

2016	£505,881	inc	£18,000 NBB.
2017	£3,737,368	inc	£13,400 Blood EVS
2018	£1,126,655	inc	£7,625 CHUF.
2019	£1,501,968	inc	££98,198 Talbot House.
2020	£879,664	inc	£23,541 NBB Radios £14,240 Meals on Wheels
2021	£1,993,328	inc	£29,600 Clowns in the Sky £45,000 RNLI £1,258,000 Hospices
2022	£100,000		Addenbrookes

Local MBF Grants

2020	Northumbria Blood Bikes	£23,541
2021	RNLI	£45,000
	<i>Berwick</i>	£10,000
	<i>Seahouses</i>	£10,000
	<i>Amble</i>	£11,000
	<i>Craster</i>	£5,000
	<i>N'Biggin</i>	£4,000
	<i>Blyth</i>	£5,000
2021	Hospices in N'Land	£29,000
	<i>St.Oswalds</i>	£11,000
	<i>Marie Curie</i>	£9,000
	<i>North N'Land</i>	£5,000
	<i>Tynedale</i>	£3,000
	<i>Haltwhistle</i>	£1,000
2022	TVLB	£55,751
	(Tynemouth Volunteer Life Brigade)	

NMBF

2019	£5,476	
	<i>inc</i>	£1,000 <i>Cash 4 Kids</i> £600 <i>Food banks</i> ££500 <i>St. Johns Ambulance</i>
2020	£10,240	
	<i>inc</i>	£1,500 <i>Freeman Hospital</i> £1,200 <i>CHUF</i> £600 <i>Food banks</i> £1,000 <i>2 schools</i>
2021	£10,531	
	<i>inc</i>	£2,400 <i>CHUF (2 years support)</i> £1,400 <i>Clowns in the Sky</i> £1,800 <i>Food Banks</i>
2022	£3,720	
		£450 <i>TVLB</i> £220 <i>Tynemouth Sea Scouts</i> £1,500 <i>Pathways4All</i> £250 <i>Christmas Dinners for people in need.</i> £1,200 <i>Food Banks</i>

How you can help

Via Easyfundraising

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/northumberland-mark-benevolent-fund/>

Share the link with you family & friends.

Via Recycle4Charity

Visit <https://www.recycle4charity.co.uk/Register/C142460> to donate your old printer ink cartridges.

Via Standing Order or Direct Debit

The NMBF has a Relief Chest No MMM2118. Sign up to donate via direct debit at www.mcf.org.uk or contact the Provincial Grand Charity Steward W.Bro Jeff Ormston ProvGChStwd via email at NMBFund@gmail.com or Mobile 0750 8601243 if you prefer to donate via Standing Order.

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So that Gift Aid can be added to your Temple Donations. This increase all eligible donations by 25%.