

# Pay for a Day

Help support people at the **Marie Curie Hospice, Edinburgh** by paying for 24 hours of care on a day of your choice.



## Every day matters

For more than 50 years the Marie Curie Hospice, Edinburgh, has been caring for local people living with a terminal illness, and their families.

“ We are always trying to focus our care and support on what is important for our patients and their loved ones. Whether it is a film night, a last-minute wedding or a visit from a thera-pet (even a Shetland pony!), our staff go the extra mile.

*Hilary Ford, Hospice Manager*

## Why Pay for a Day?

Paying for a day at our hospice will help us continue to care for more than 1,000 local people, and their families, every year.

You might want to Pay for a Day to recognise a birthday or anniversary, or a significant organisational milestone. Or you may want to celebrate the memory of a relative or friend.

Whatever your reason, thank you for your support.

“ The care Gaven received while in the hospice was very supportive. Nothing was too much trouble for the staff - they made him feel safe and cared for.

*Lesley, whose husband Gaven was cared for at the hospice*

### A very special place

The Marie Curie Hospice, Edinburgh, is a warm and welcoming place, where we offer expert care to people with a terminal illness, and their loved ones, 365 days a year. Our hospice team includes doctors, nurses, physiotherapists, social workers and many more and is supported by around 100 volunteers, who play a vital role in the running of the hospice.

Some people stay in our 20-bed in-patient unit, where relatives and friends can visit any time of the day or night and stay with their loved ones if they wish.

Our Day Therapy unit offers outpatient clinics and a wide range of activities and therapies, including reiki and massage. People using the day unit can also get together over a freshly cooked lunch from our chefs.

We also provide support for carers and families, including bereavement support groups where people can share their experiences and feelings.

Hospice day therapy unit photo by: Kierran Dodds/Marie Curie



### Why I pay for a day



“For the last 12 weeks of her life, Nikky was cared for at the Edinburgh Hospice. We’ll never forget the warmth and support that

was extended to all our family during this extremely difficult time. We’re now raising funds so that others who find themselves in this situation can receive the same support. We have chosen this day in memory of our precious Nicola, to mark her first anniversary.”

*The family and friends of Nicola Easingwood paid for a day of care on 25 July.*



“The family were treated throughout our entire stay with great compassion and understanding, nothing was too much trouble.

It gives our family great peace of mind to know that Stuart spent the last few days of his life with such amazing and caring staff at the hospice; it made that precious time much easier to bear for me and Stuart, which we cannot thank you enough for.”

*Jackie and family paid for a day of care on 30 July, Jackie and Stuart’s wedding anniversary.*

Hospice llama day photo by: Stewart Atwood/Marie Curie

### How we’ll mark your special day

We know that the day you choose will be special for you, as well as making a real difference to people living with a terminal illness. So, to help celebrate your day, we’ll mark it in several ways.

### Your certificate

You’ll receive a personalised keepsake certificate and we can also display a copy in the hospice reception on your chosen day.

### Online recognition

If you’d like to share why you’re supporting us, and inspire others to give, we can feature your story on our website or social media channels.

### We’ll welcome you to the hospice

The best way we can say thank you is to invite you to visit the hospice. You’ll be able to see first-hand the help, compassion and care your support enables us to provide. You can meet some of our team and even enjoy lunch with us.

Alternatively, you can donate anonymously.

### How to Pay for a Day

It costs £8,129 every day to run the hospice.\*

There are many ways to Pay for a Day. You could make a one-off donation, get your staff involved in fundraising, or raise the money through a sponsored challenge.

However you decide to Pay for a Day, we’d like to say a huge thank you. Without incredible support from people like you, we would not be able to help the many families across the region who need us.

Please contact the Edinburgh hospice fundraising team on [supportedinburgh@mariecurie.org.uk](mailto:supportedinburgh@mariecurie.org.uk) or **0131 470 2290** to pledge to Pay for a Day.

Footnote:

\*£8,129 is the cost of paying for a day in the year ending March 2019. This is the amount it costs Marie Curie to run the hospice after NHS contributions have been taken into account. Please note the exact cost in future years may change and you will be informed of the amount before confirming your generous support.

# Your special day becomes ours. Pay for a Day at the Marie Curie Hospice, Edinburgh

Marie Curie Hospices offer the reassurance of specialist care and support, in a friendly, welcoming environment, for people living with a terminal illness and their loved ones.



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Thank you to everyone who supports us and makes our work possible. To find out how we can help or to make a donation, visit [mariecurie.org.uk](http://mariecurie.org.uk)



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