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## Dear Dr Beardmore

I am writing to express my heartfelt gratitude for your generous support towards Princess Alice Hospice through your kind donation of £5000. A huge thank you to the group of multi-generational cyclists who took on a significant challenge in cycling from Guys Hospital to Blackpool. I hope that they all enjoyed the experience. To date you have raised over £20,000 which is an incredibly valuable contribution to our ongoing services, thank you so much for choosing to support us.

Your contribution will make a significant difference in the lives of our patients and their families. To give you some examples of how the £5000 could be spent, it could pay for:

- The cost to buy a bed within our In-Patient Unit; or
- 48 patient visits at home by a Princess Alice Hospice Nurse; or
- 175 families to attend our children's bereavement group Dovetail;

I hope that seeing what impact this has had on our services will make you all immensely proud of your achievements.

We believe that hospice care is for living, and our holistic approach focuses on helping people live the rest of their days well, for however long or short a time that may be. We are a community of compassion and base our care around each individual's needs, wants, and wishes, whether managing their symptoms or supporting their physical, emotional, social, and spiritual needs. We also support their families before, during, and after the death of their loved ones.

It is only the support of our community and beyond that makes it possible to do our work. This money will help us continue providing outstanding healthcare, advice, and comfort to our patients and allow us to support their families at this difficult time.

Sarah's husband, Chin, had support from Princess Alice Hospice before he died. Sarah said they had care on call, day and night. After a stressful time in hospital, support was now wrapped around them. *"The Hospice brought a human element, which you don't realize how much you need in that situation. With their support, I felt less alone."* 

Delivering our care costs £10 million a year, and with only 20% coming from NHS funding, we need people like you. Demand for our services has risen dramatically, and we expect our costs to increase by nearly £1 million over the next year. Your support helps us to provide advice, support, and comfort to our patients and their families at every stage. Crucially, it allows us to bring our patients the right care by the right person at the right time while ensuring they are in the place they want to be.

Please extend my sincere thanks to every person who supported you all. From all the staff, volunteers, and patients, we are deeply grateful for your generosity.

Yours sincerely

Sam Rohde Senior Community & Events Fundraiser

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