

Guide for Employees

Payroll Giving



How can you help?

There are 49,000 babies, children and young people in the UK living with a life-limiting or life-threatening illness.

By donating through your payroll, you can help these children and their families make the most of their precious time together.

Give more, for less

Payroll giving is a convenient, tax-efficient way you can regularly donate to Together for Short Lives directly from your gross salary - and because it is donated before tax, a £10 donation will only cost you £8.





How does it work?

Setting up a payroll giving donation is quick and easy and doesn't even require your bank details. Simply select how much you would like to donate and that amount will be deducted each month from your gross pay. Since donations are taken from pre-tax pay, the charity gets more of your donation and it costs you at least 20% less - the most efficient way to make a difference.

Amount deducted from gross pay (before tax)	Cost to donor from net pay at 20% tax	Cost to donor from net pay at 40% tax	Cost to donor from net pay at 45% tax	Amount charity receives
£8	£6.40	£4.80	£4.40	£8
£10	£8	£6	£5.50	£10

For such a small cost each month you can make a real impact for seriously ill children and their families.

Your options

National charity, local impact

- 1 100% of your donation goes to Together for Short Lives

OR

- 2 85% of your donation goes to your local children's hospice and 15% goes to Together for Short Lives.

Every penny counts

£5 per month (£60 annually) could pay for a family splash around in a special hydrotherapy pool.

£7.50 per month (£90 annually) could pay for a session of community care for a child, giving families precious moments together.

£20 per month (£240 annually) could help a family have a much-needed short break at their local children's hospice.

Make payday even sweeter, knowing you are making a difference in the lives of seriously ill children as you earn.

Why choose to donate to Together for Short Lives through your payroll?

49,000 children and young people are living in the UK with life-limiting or life-threatening health conditions – and the number is rising.

Hearing the news that your child has a life-shortening condition and is likely to die young is devastating. It's an incredibly distressing and confusing time. These children have very complex and unpredictable conditions and often need round the clock care, seven days a week.

Together with everyone who provides care and support to these children and families, we are here to help them have as fulfilling lives as possible and the very best care at the end of life. We can't change the diagnosis, but we can help children and families make the most of their time together.



William's story



Lizzie and Mark have five children between them. Their son, William, has Edward's Syndrome, a condition also known as t18 or trisomy 18. When William was born Lizzie and Mark were told that he was unlikely to live for more than three months. As he had such a short life expectancy they were advised to take him home and spend some quality time with him.

During his first year, William needed constant supervision as he would stop breathing. To help Lizzie and Mark provide 24-hour care for William they had carers two nights a week and friends supporting them three nights a week. Their house became full of people - nurses and friends - all coming around to care for William.

William is now nine years old. Lizzie and Mark spend hours organising care shifts and appointments by phone and email; taking William to medical appointments and assessments; organising equipment deliveries; and transporting William to school and respite care.

Lizzie is passionate that families are able to access all the support they need to allow them to make the most of their time with their children. She has supported the work of Together for Short Lives as a member of our family community and parent advisory group. Lizzie said: "Nothing can ever prepare you for the news that your baby is going to have a short life, and has a really complex condition. No one can comprehend how life can change in a second. When we heard the devastating news about William I felt like I was on a film set, it felt like it was someone else's lives, not ours they were talking about, I was hoping the camera would stop rolling and everything would be normal again.

"Parents desperately need information and support – especially at the beginning but also after coming to terms with things. You need to know that there's a lifeline – an anchor and someone to help you weather the storm."

Payroll Giving Form

Title ☐ Mr ☐ Mrs ☐ Miss ☐ Ms ☐ Other

First name(s)

Surname

Home address

Postcode

Home email

Home telephone

Company name

Company address

Postcode

Work email

Work telephone

National Insurance Number

Employee number

Pay Period

☐ Monthly ☐ 4-Weekly ☐ Fortnightly ☐ Weekly ☐ Other

I wish to donate to Together for Short Lives through the Payroll Giving Scheme

☐ £5 ☐ £10 ☐ £15 ☐ £20 ☐ Other

Signature Date

We may occasionally use your information to contact you in the future about Together for Short Lives activities and fundraising. If you do not wish to be contacted please let us know.

If you are happy for us to contact you by telephone, please tick here. ☐
If you are happy for us to contact you by email, please tick here. ☐

Please take this form to your payroll department. If they do not have a Payroll Giving scheme, please direct them to our *Payroll Giving Guide for Employers*.

Thank you for your support!

