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HSBC UK FOR INTERMEDIARIES CELEBRATES RECORD YEAR IN THE COMMUNITY

HSBC UK for Intermediaries is celebrating a record year for fundraising and community work, the bank announced today.

Following a year of fun and interesting challenges, in 2019 HSBC UK for Intermediaries raised over £58,000 for good causes, a massive 150% increase on the previous year.

Alongside activity to raise important funds for good causes, the team also provided 107 days – the equivalent of 21 weeks - worth of volunteering, following a commitment by the bank to provide members of staff with up to two 'in work' days each, allowing them to carry out voluntary work during normal work time.

The amount of voluntary days worked is a 50% increase on the amount of volunteering carried out in 2018.

The fundraising has helped 29 different good causes over the course of the year, including national charities involved in health and research as well as smaller more local charities and organisations, nominated by individual fundraisers.

Chris Pearson, HSBC UK's Head of Intermediary Mortgages, said: "I am extremely proud of my team. They have literally gone the extra mile, scaled mountains, fallen from 15,000 feet and got on their hands and knees to help causes that are close to their hearts.

"Increasing the amount of fundraising by 150% and increasing the amount of volunteering by 50% hours is no mean feat. The dedication to helping good causes in their own time, and through the banks own in work volunteering scheme, will continue into 2020 and will provide us with many great opportunities to help communities up and down the country."

Examples of fundraising include parachute jumps, a sponsored 24 hours of Crossfit,

- £19,414 raised for Hallam FM's Cash For Kids appeal
- £5,292.51 for MacMillan Cancer Care
- £3,305.50 to the Indian Rural Health Trust
- £2,000 raised for Sheffield Children's Hospital
- £2,052.62 for Somerset Sight
- £2,000 received by East Cheshire Hospice
- £1,732 provided to Shooters Grove School
- £1,434 raised for Downswood Community Centre

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Note to editors:

The total amount raised includes pound-for-pound matching by HSBC UK. The bank matches donations of up to £1,000 for any fundraising or volunteering members of staff do in their own time.

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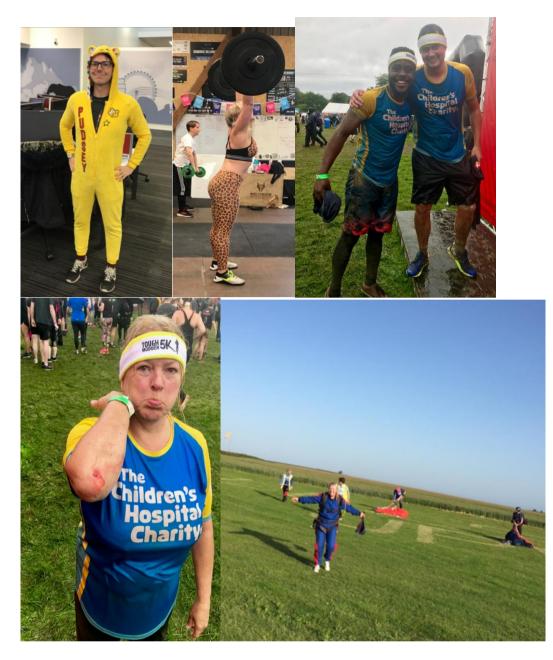


Photo 1: Teresa Pipon wingwalking her way to impressive fundraising.Photo 2: AimieJo Shutt, Ian Moore, Phil Vaughan and Teresa Pipon helping with maintenance at the Tia Rescue animal shelter during a volunteering day.Photo 3: Gareth Roberts taking part in a sponsored Pudsey onesie-wearing day for Children In Need.

Photo 4: AimieJo Shutt impressing during a 24 hour CrossFit session

Photo 5: Achile Mayala and Daniel State having completed a Tough Mudder race.

Photo 6: Sue Archer nursing an injury sustained during her Tough Mudder fundraising.

Photo 7: AimieJo Shutt ecstatic at conquering her fears after skydiving from 15,000 feet.