

# Big Wheel Appeal



In the last three years we have enabled over 3,400 people living in **Northamptonshire** to remain independent through the short term loan of a wheelchair.

**During 2013, over 900 wheelchairs were loaned to people living in and around Northamptonshire. That's on average 15 people a week whose lives are changed for the better through this service.**

## **A wheelchair simply gives people their lives back.**

*People like eighteen-year-old Benjamin Moore, who needed help recovering from a serious car accident that left him with both his legs broken. By borrowing a Red Cross wheelchair he was able to get out of the house and go out with his friends – as he normally would have done. He didn't have to put his life on hold whilst he recovered.*

However, after three years of continual use, one quarter of our existing fleet of 200 wheelchairs need replacing.

In addition to these 50 wheelchairs, an additional 30 wheelchairs are needed in order to meet the increasing demand for the service.

**Just £200\* will buy a brand new wheelchair that can be loaned again and again, to many people for years to come in your local neighbourhood – maybe even to someone you know?**

Over the next two years we need to raise £16,000 to enable us to gradually replace the existing fleet of wheelchairs currently in use.

Please support the British Red Cross **Big Wheel Appeal** and give what you can to help us help others and keep our wheel turning for the people of Northamptonshire. Thank you.

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 I would like to make a donation to the Big Wheel Appeal and enclose a donation of £..... **(please make cheques payable to British Red Cross).**

I would like further information about the appeal and how I can help with any fundraising for it.

**Name** .....

**Address**.....

.....**Postcode**.....

**Email**.....**Telephone**.....

**Please return to :**

Big Wheel Appeal, Red Cross House, Hatton Close, Moulton Park, Northampton, NN3 6SU

Dial a wheelchair is a short term wheelchair loaning service for people living in Northamptonshire. Open weekdays, 10-4 with delivery and collection available if required.

- > For visiting relatives, or another family event
- > For days out, or a holiday loan
- > Coming home from hospital
- > Recovering after an operation or illness

**Dial a wheelchair 01604 678 500**

**Hatton Close, Moulton Park, Northampton, NN3 6SU**

\*£200 is the average cost of a wheelchair taking into account additional requirements of leg extensions and seat cushion where applicable. In the unlikely event that we should raise more funds than are required, donations will be offset against the costs of other British Red Cross work in the Northamptonshire area.



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