



Your Island, Your Community, Your Lottery

CHARITY. Community. Neither have ever been more important than now. In a world presenting many challenges, and considering the current cost of living, there are still good people out there doing incredible things and brilliant charities transforming lives. Through these groups, Islanders of all ages, backgrounds and abilities are receiving support, services and enrichment. Whether relating to animals, sports, services, mental and physical health, the arts, education and everything in between, there are currently nearly 500 charities in Jersey alone.

One of the biggest ways that charities can receive funding is through the Channel Islands Lottery, with the Association of Jersey Charities and Jersey Community Foundation allocating the lottery funding throughout the year through a grant system. Distributed by leading Channel Islands supplier JJ Fox Trading Ltd, CI Lottery tickets are sold through participating retailers and businesses all year round and, of course, from the designated lottery kiosk in King Street.

"We are incredibly thankful to everyone who supports the Channel Islands Lottery in various ways," says Philip Taylor, chairman of Fox Trading. "This includes the many retail premises and businesses that help us to sell the tickets and promote the good causes behind the scenes. We're grateful that even in these times, with cost-of-living considerations, people are still buying tickets and helping Island charities. If Islanders continue to rally round the CI Lottery, then we can ensure that 2024 will be another bright year of fundraising – plus you have a chance to win prizes with the lottery yourself."

In the past few years, according to a recent charity survey carried out by the Association of Jersey Charities, more than half (57%) of those charities responding said they had seen a drop in fundraising income over the past 12 months, while at the same time more than half (55%) also said they had seen an increase in demand for their services this year.

Therefore, next time you pick up a lottery ticket, remember, even if you don't win big, the funds go back into the community. Here are just a few stories from some of our Island's charities who have benefitted from lottery funding in the last year.

JERSEY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION

"We were delighted last year to receive a grant which came from Channel Islands Lottery funds. Scouts is a national, much-loved organisation, and we give lifelong skills, hope, purpose and fun to so many children and young adults, which often filters out into the wider community. With lottery funding, we can enrich our services and experiences to keep the Scouts legacy alive. Our Jersey Scout Centre benefitted from new equipment such as big outdoor fridges and freezers for visiting groups and local schools to use when they come to the centre. We also used the funding to support with some wonderful trips. These experiences make memories for all to treasure, and we're very grateful for Islanders' support of the lottery."

Beverley Colley, volunteer development team lead and Island training manager, Jersey Scouts
scouts.org.je

JSPCA

"The JSPCA has been able to use lottery funding from last year to invest in some new veterinary equipment. This analyser provides results within 15 minutes, which means we can make faster decisions on the healthcare of animals which improves their welfare and reduces the time they are with us. This increases the number of animals we can help. Our dedicated team does an incredible job to care for both domestic and wild animals, and all creatures deserve the best love, attention and treatment, with facilities which can provide that. Grants like this are so important to charities and this is made possible by all the wonderful people who buy a lottery ticket. Thank you."

Debra D'Orleans, chief executive, JSPCA
jspca.org.je



CARING COOKS

"Last year, Caring Cooks received a generous grant from the local lottery through the Association of Jersey Charities. The grant played a pivotal role in bolstering our Food or Fuel campaign, specifically targeting the urgent needs of the most vulnerable individuals and families. This financial boost enabled us to extend critical support, including distributing £50 food vouchers to provide food from Co-op or home fuel from IEG or JEC, particularly during challenging periods such as Christmas when funds are low, and the strain on households is heightened. These resources provided essential relief, ensuring access to nourishing meals and warmth in homes throughout the winter months. Thanks to the support of the lottery grant, we've made tangible differences to countless lives, easing financial burdens and providing vital assistance when it's needed most. We're profoundly grateful for the ongoing support that empowers us to continue our essential work and hope to extend this campaign into Q2 of 2024."

Yvonne Corbin, chief executive, Caring Cooks of Jersey
caringcooksofjersey.com



The Association of Jersey Charities chief executive Beth Gallichan adds: "Many Islanders depend on local charities, but the truth is that charities also depend on Islanders' generosity. Maybe not today but at some point, you, your loved one, neighbours, our culture and wildlife have been helped or will need help. Charities are not only here to support our community in a crisis but also to find solutions to some of our long-term challenges. We must put our trust in charities, powered by dedicated staff, volunteers, funders and donors. All their activities are for public benefit."

For more information about the Channel Islands Lottery please visit cilottery.org

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