## New Sue Ryder shop opening next month

NEW SUE RYDER CHARITY SHOP COMES TO EDINBURGH

Bargain hunters will be in their element next month when Sue Ryder opens a new large-format charity shop in the retail heart of Edinburgh.

Shoppers keen for some budget-friendly retail therapy will be able to bag some fantastic finds at the Seafield Road store, which is located in a prime position next to Halford, B and M Bargains and McDonalds. The brand new store, which will sell furniture, electrical items and new goods, opens at 10am on Friday 11 April.

Sue Ryder area manager Sue Moorby said: "Our fabulous new store will offer an excellent shopping experience, whether you're looking for handbags, books, music DVDs, a vintage dress or any number of other shopping delights. Why not make it your first port of call when you arrive in town? Sue Ryder promises to be THE place to shop in Edinburgh's Seafield Road area, with proceeds going to help Sue Ryder provide specialist hospice and neurological care."

Led by shop manager Tina Doku, the Sue Ryder staff and volunteer team will be on hand to show shoppers around the store, which will be packed to the rafters with a great selection of quality second hand clothes, accessories, music, books and furniture, as well as a wide range of new goods, including art equipment, guitars and dolls' houses.

Sue added: "This is a really exciting retail development for Sue Ryder that will raise much needed money for hospice and neurological care. There is something for everyone and every home and I am sure shoppers will be delighted by the exceptional quality, value and wide range of goods we will be selling."

Money raised from the shop will help Sue Ryder to continue to provide expert and compassionate care to people living with end of life and long-term conditions such as cancer, stroke, brain injury, multiple sclerosis, dementia, Huntington's disease, Parkinson's disease and motor neurone disease. There will be an information point in the shop where shoppers will be able to find out more about what their money will be spent on and how they can join in fundraising events and activities.

Shop manager Tina Doku said: "We are recruiting volunteers to help with everything from sorting and preparing stock to merchandising and sales and are also appealing for people to donate good quality clothing, books and bric-a-brac. By supporting Sue Ryder in this way, local people can help us to make a real difference to the lives of the people we care for each year.

Anyone wanting to join our volunteer team should contact me by email at <a href="mailto:tina.doku@suerydercare.org">tina.doku@suerydercare.org</a> or by phone on 0131 555 5593.

"By pledging to support us through volunteering, people can not only help us raise vital funds but also gain experience to put on their CV. And, if people don't have any spare time to commit to volunteering, they can support us by donating items, such as good quality clothing, books and bric-a-brac.

"Many of us have wardrobes full of clothes or shoes we don't wear anymore. Rather than throwing away bags of goods, please bring in the best of what you no longer need and we'll pop it on our rails for people who may love them. By donating good quality items or volunteering, you will help the charity to keep on providing vital services to the people who need them most."

For further information about Sue Ryder visit <a href="http://www.sueryder.org">http://www.sueryder.org</a>

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