Light Up a Life appeal lights up Charlotte Square

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12 year-old Megan Reid hit the big red button to light up the Tree of Remembrance in Charlotte Square Gardens tonight as part of the Light Up A Life appeal by the city's St Columba's Hospice.

The 40ft tree now shines brightly with lights symbolising the dedications made by people from all over the UK, remembering loved ones who have died at St Columba's Hospice.

The Hospice's Light Up A Life appeal runs each winter and the money raised is used to provide extra special care for patients and families throughout the festive season. Money raised is spent on providing mince pies, mulled wine and Christmas lunches and more festive treats for patients and families.











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Megan has been a keen fundraiser for the Hospice after her grandfather and great grandmother died at the Hospice.

In September 2015, Megan and her mother walked from their home in Prestonpans to the Hospice, which was 11 miles from where Megan's grandfather was born to where he died.

Donations can still be made towards the Light Up A Life appeal online at www.stcolumbashospice.org.uk/lightupalife or by calling 0131 551 1381.

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