Livingston Designer Outlet asks for your round pounds for charity

As the countdown to the final day of the nation's old £1 coin looms, Livingston Designer Outlet is encouraging people in West Lothian to drop their remaining coins into its famous water feature with all funds being donated to Barnardo's Scotland.

The Outlet has been working in partnership with Scotland's largest children's charity for the last two years, having already donated more than £18,000 to support disadvantaged young people living in West Lothian. The money raised so far has meant that more than 250 children benefited from supportive care from Barnardo's Scotland which assists families who have children with profound learning disabilities and high care needs.

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Now the shopping centre is calling on local people to drop their remaining old £1 coins into its famous fountain before they go out of circulation on Monday, 16 October.

Karen Stewart, Centre Manager at Livingston Designer Outlet, said: "Over the last two years, we've been constantly amazed at how generous the people of West Lothian have been in showing support for our charity partner. If any of our customers are looking for a good excuse in how to use up their old £1 coins before the 16th October, we'd urge them to support our fundraising drive for Barnardo's Scotland and have a little fun in making a wish while they do it. We know how much of a positive impact the money will make." Through voluntary donations from the public and companies like Livingston Designer Outlet, Barnardo's Scotland offers activities which help promote inclusion whilst developing physical, communication and social skills and encourage confidence.