People's Postcode Lottery hand out surprise cheques

Two Edinburgh charities have been presented with surprise funding of up to £10,000, through People's Postcode Lottery's community programmes trusts thanks to support from players of People's Postcode Lottery.

The charities were selected by employees of the lottery after their annual team building day saw the top teams choose one local good cause each. They then visited the charities to present them with surprise cheques.

Kids Love Clothes, who provide much needed clothing to struggling families in the Lothians, received £10,000 and Edinburgh Dog and Cat Home received £4,000.

Run entirely by volunteers, Kids Love Clothes provides a wardrobe of clean, ironed and seasonally appropriate clothes to disadvantaged children aged up to 10 years across Edinburgh and the Lothians. The charity receives referrals from healthcare professionals and social workers and since being founded in 2015 has helped to clothe over 3,000 children.



PPL team members surprise Kids Love Clothes with an unexpected cheque

Founder of the charity Fiona Shapcott said: "I'm completely overwhelmed and so thankful to the team at People's Postcode Lottery for selecting Kids Love Clothes to receive this award of £10,000. This will go an incredible way towards improving the lives of children and their families."

Based in Seafield, Edinburgh Dog and Cat Home take in and care for abandoned pets, with a passion for finding a forever home for all of their animals. The charity cared for over 2,800 dogs and 940 cats in 2017, with 2018's key focus being animal welfare education.

Upon receiving the cheque for £4,000, Alanna Kibiloski, Special Gifts Fundraiser at Edinburgh Dog and Cat Home said: "We are so grateful for this award. The support means the world to us, but most of all to our animals."

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