

# Scotmid raises funds for stroke survivors

## Charity Partnership is thriving

### Scotmid raises £130K for Chest Heart & Stroke Scotland

Scotmid Co-operative, Scotland's largest independent co-operative and charity Chest Heart & Stroke Scotland (CHSS), celebrated the halfway point of their year long charity partnership.

A giant heart was decorated to show that £130,000 has been raised to date.

Kirsty Connell, Scotmid Membership Manager joined representatives from CHSS and three stroke survivors – Theo van Asperen, Tony Love and Andy Coway at the celebration.

All funds raised will fund the charity's rehabilitation services and the new equipment as well as helping to increase awareness of the support available. Staff across Scotmid's 179 food stores, 87 Semichem stores, 17 Scotmid Funeral branches and 9 Lakes & Dales stores have been involved with fundraising activities including a Forth Road Bridge abseil and other sponsored events.



Scotmid images

Scotmid, Half year charity partnership announcement with Chest Hearts and Stroke Scotland.

Photo by Phil Wilkinson

Jane-Claire Judson, Chief Executive at Chest Heart & Stroke Scotland, said: "It is amazing that we're only halfway through our partnership and Scotmid has already raised an incredible £130,000 to help stroke survivors across Scotland survive and thrive!

"Thanks to their fundraising efforts we'll be able to help support more than a thousand stroke survivors and their families through our rehabilitation support services. Our services support people after a stroke to regain their confidence, achieve their personal goals and get back to doing the things they love."

John Brodie, Chief Executive at Scotmid, said: "I am really proud of what our customers, staff and members have achieved in just six months. It is testament to how much they support

our core purpose of serving our communities and helping to improve people's everyday lives.

"I am looking forward to seeing what the next six months hold and to what else we can do to help this amazing charity support thousands of stroke survivors to 'survive and thrive'."



Scotmid images

Scotmid, Half year charity partnership announcement with Chest Hearts and Stroke Scotland.

Photo by Phil Wilkinson