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Nottinghamshire Care Services Trade Secret Santa for Children's Charity Appeal

Two care services in Sutton-in-Ashfield have joined the festive effort by supporting a charity's Christmas appeal.

Located in Nottinghamshire, Cygnet Grange and Cygnet Lodge are two neuropsychiatric rehabilitation and care services for those affected by acquired brain injuries.

The Cygnet Health Care services are giving back to the local community this festive season by contributing to a gift appeal run by a children's charity.

The Giving Tree is a Christmas campaign run by KidsOut, a charity that supports disadvantaged and vulnerable children living in refuges in the UK. The campaign encourages people to buy a toy for a child fleeing domestic abuse.

For the sixth year running, the Nottinghamshire care services have forgone Secret Santa and instead given gifts to the children's charity.

Kelly LeGrice, Team Leader at the Cygnet Health Care services, praised her team's collective effort.

She said: "Our involvement in The Giving Tree has been a success again this year and the support for the cause continues to grow. Here at Cygnet Grange and Lodge, we like to do as much as we can for charity so this became our festive tradition. Everyone gets involved.

"Our service users understand how important the charity is and they enjoy taking part. The individuals we support always want to be involved in all aspects of charity work we do. It shows off our very positive culture. Despite staff already paying out extra at Christmas for their families, the whole team is always enthusiastic to keep our tradition alive and ensure these children receive gifts."

As well as buying gifts for The Giving Tree, the Cygnet Health Care services have also been fundraising to increase their present-buying fund.

Megan, a Support Worker at Cygnet Grange and Lodge, raffled off a hamper consisting of homemade sweet treats, such as fudge, cake pops and cheesecakes, to increase donations. The raffle raised an extra £120, which was spent on purchasing more gifts for the charitable appeal.

Kelly said: "I'm always proud to work at Cygnet Health Care. This charitable effort means a lot to us as not only does it give back to those who need it, but it's a chance for our amazing staff and service users to get their recognition they deserve.

"It's always a pleasure to watch the gift pile grow. Seeing the smiles on the faces of the individuals we support when they see how they've given back to the community and helped those who find this time of year particularly difficult is just lovely."