



THE FREEMASONS'
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Second national grant - £250,000 donated to Parkinson's UK

Parkinson's UK has been given a big boost in Parkinson's Awareness Week 2011 (11-17 April) by the award of a major grant of £250,000 from The Freemasons' Grand Charity.

The money is to be divided and distributed to branches throughout the country, providing funding at a local level.

Parkinson's UK is the support and research charity and is passionate about finding a cure and improving life for everyone affected by Parkinson's.

Laura Chapman, Chief Executive of The Freemasons' Grand Charity said:

"Many Freemasons have experience of what it is like to live with Parkinson's, either through a friend or family connection. Parkinson's UK has therefore received much support within the Masonic community, which has been a key factor for why it was selected for this national grant. We are delighted to be able to join with Parkinson's UK, to direct our support to local branches."



This is the second annual national grant awarded by the Grand Charity, to be divided and distributed to branches throughout the country. The aim of this grant is to support local branches, allowing them to decide how they spend the money.

Letters have been sent out to all Provincial Grand Secretaries providing them with further information about the new grant, which is expected to be distributed later this year.

If you have any questions about this grant please contact Katrina Baker on 020 7395 9314 / kbaker@the-grand-charity.org or Siobhan McCarthy on 020 7395 9385 / smccarthy@the-grand-charity.org

Parkinson's UK is calling on members of the public to join or sign up online and find out how they can get involved at parkinsons.org.uk/joinus