



**Part of the  
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Ministry**

# CHARITABLE GIVING

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St Barnabas has a strong tradition of charitable giving as a church, and of promoting fundraising and volunteering in support of charities.

The church devotes part of its own income to donations to charities, with an emphasis on local and Christian organisations. The donations list is reviewed by the PCC each November, with the opportunity offered to congregation members to submit suggested recipients. The 2010 list of charities supported is shown overleaf.

In addition the collections from the congregation at the Christmas festival services are passed to charities nominated each year.

Three major fundraising events are organised each year,

- A Handyman Sale in May
- A Garden Party (with community involvement) in June
- A Christmas Fair in December

These activities are overseen by the Fundraising Committee.

The proceeds of the Garden Party are usually devoted to a special project within the church. The money from the other events is distributed to three charities that St Barnabas has continuing links with. These are described overleaf.

In 2010 the following charities were each given £240

Christian Community Action

Churches in Reading Drop In Centre

Churches in Reading Women's Centre

Green Shoots

Headway Thames Valley - Services to people with brain injuries and their families and carers.

Jumbulance - Provision of purpose-built coach and ambulance vehicles for adults and children with disabilities

REAP – Rural community development in East Africa

Reading University Chaplaincy

Reading Association for the Blind

Reading Autistic Families Together

Reading Street Pastors

The proceeds of the two fundraising events are shared between these charities. In 2010 each received £973

Christian Engineers in Development.

Helping to support a project to bring water supplies to over 3000 people in Gulu, Northern Uganda

Olives Childcare and Orphanage Project

Care for disadvantaged children in Mombasa, Kenya

Education for Life

Supporting children who have missed out on their foundational education in Kenya.

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