



The Harvey Hext Trust annual Report

November 2019-December 2020

Introduction and summary

Welcome to the The Harvey Hext Trust annual report for 2019/2020.

The year has been one of challenge and change due to a global pandemic, which is reflected throughout this report. It gives me great pleasure and huge pride to be able to share the impact and support that the work of The Harvey Hext Trust continues to have for Bereaved families in Bristol and across the country.

Why is this work needed:

Over 7000 Children and young people die in the UK each year. The support the families receive varies dramatically from region to region. In some regions the families are offered ongoing Support by bereavement services/hospices whilst in others regions the support is extremely limited.

Sibling support is often overlooked when finances are tight.

The Harvey Hext trust supplies siblings with Bespoke Memory boxes, designed by the child using personal photographs/images. Every Memory box tells a story and celebrates the life of a child. The Memory boxes give the children somewhere to keep their siblings belongings all in one place, to take ownership of these items and to feel that they can visit them whenever necessary. The Memory bears enable the children to carry something special that belonged to their sibling, bringing a comfort that they are holding something dear to them. We believe we are the only Charity in the UK to offer this service.

We have built up some very close relationships with some of the hospitals bereavement departments and also various hospices around the country, and they use the Memory boxes as a part of their bereavement work with families both at the hospice and at home as part of their ongoing support programs.

Our Memory boxes are now available through professional referral from over 40 bereavement services. We have maintained and grown our referral paths through additional hospitals/hospices and charities.

Our Memory boxes continue to only be available through bereavement services and charities and this has worked extremely well ensuring that families meet our criteria. We have supplied families with Memory boxes and Memory bears via numerous reputable charities both locally and nationally such as Jessie May, CLIC Sargent, CBUK, The Henry Allen trust, Hugs from Henry, The Grace Kelly Ladybird trust and Great Ormand Street Hospital. We have continued and trusted relationships with local and national hospitals in particular bereavement staff at Leeds General hospital and local hospices and BCH. We work very hard to maintain these close relationships and hope to continue to build new relationships through the coming year.

We continue to build awareness of our small charity through social media and word of mouth. As far as we are aware there are currently no other charities that provide our bespoke Memory box services.

2020 has been an extremely busy time for us, as bereavement workers were unable to visit families in their home, they have been able to refer the families to our charity as our work is carried out remotely.

To date we have supplied over 400 Memory boxes and bears to bereaved families, each child in the family design and receive their very own personalised Memory box and bear.

During 2020 we have supplied 101 children with their very own personalised Memory boxes and Memory bears.

We are expanding our Memory box service to bereavement organisations up and down the country and hope to have a very busy and successful 2021.

Financial Grants

Like many charities we have adapted our services this year due to the pandemic, and we have Awarded 20 emergency grants to bereaved families affected by Covid-19 totalling £5750

Local support

Due to the **global pandemic** we have not managed to hold any of our Family days out but what we have been able to offer families as an alternative is a pass to three very popular venues in Bristol. We felt this was important for families to be able to enjoy some fresh air away from the home when government rules allowed.

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Bristol Zoo /The Wild Place

We have enabled 28 Families to spend a day out at this venue. The cost of a charity pass is £425 and we hope to be able to add more venues to this list over the coming years.

Circus star is an organisation that sends us free tickets for our families and this event is a yearly occasion loved by all who attend

Bereavement booklets

The Charity has teamed up with The Grace Kelly Childhood Cancer Trust to co fund a series of bereavement booklets for young children affected by the death of a sibling. These booklets are being used in many Hospitals and Hospices across the UK.

Fundraising

This has been a huge challenge in the pandemic but we were lucky enough to have been given a sizable grant by The National lottery

Office Space

This year we realised a need for an office/storage unit and this has become invaluable. We have a room where volunteers can help out and also a good size storage area for our ever growing fundraising material.

Training

We continue to learn about situations we may not be familiar with and have attended training sessions this year.

opportunity to gain a greater Knowledge of what a family encounters at an Inquest and how best to support them.

We have attended Focus groups with bereavement services to discuss how these services can be better delivered.

Group Support

The Harvey Hext Trust is part of a new collaboration of Bristol charities and Professional organisations working together to designing a new database for bereaved families and professionals in Bristol to access. This database will enable these people to access the correct support.

We are very proud to be part of this great initiative and meet with other members of the group every quarter.

In 2020 the group has been working together with <https://goodgriefbristol.com> to make this fantastic event a success and to help end the stigma of talking about death and child loss.

Objectives

In the past 41/2 years The Harvey Hext Trust has offered support to siblings Nationwide by providing Memory boxes- thus also giving professionals another tool to use when working with bereaved siblings.

We aim to achieve the following outcomes for the families we work with:

- Improving Children's emotional development by supporting the whole family
- Reduced social isolation and improved social and support networks
- More awareness of Child bereavement and the support available
- Improve Care and services for families who have lost a child

Impact and value of the service The Harvey Hext Trust delivers



We have continued to see an increase in the number of services that refer families to the charity.

We have continued to see an increase in demand for our services reflected in the number of families that we are working with.

Ambition and long term strategy

Our prime objective is to supply Memory boxes to Children who have lost a sibling.

The Family support groups show a constant need for ongoing support for bereaved families.

To run Coffee Mornings for bereaved families.

To supply Memory boxes to children who have lost a parent

We have now employed a Part time member of staff to manage the day to day running of the charity. Planning events/Fundraising/Memory box orders, the member of staff will do this with the support of the Trustees.

Annual accounts

Our annual account for the supporting period are attached

Sarah Hext
Chair of Trustees

07/12/2020



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

The Harvey Hext Trust

No 1168844

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
01/03/2020

To

Period end date
28/02/2021

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations & Fundraising	16,724	-	-	16,724	24,702
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	16,724	-	-	16,724	24,702
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	16,724	-	-	16,724	24,702
A3 Payments					
Memory Boxes and Support costs	22,077	-	-	22,077	12,691
Mechandise	200	-	-	200	1,840
Rent	2,235	-	-	2,235	1,680
Computer & equipment expenses	805	-	-	805	459
Event costs	4,715	-	-	4,715	6,118
Wages	4,160	-	-	4,160	-
Professional fees	600	-	-	600	183
Postage, printing & stationery	432	-	-	432	256
Telephone	434	-	-	434	-
General expenses	756	-	-	756	25
Just Giving charges	216	-	-	216	198
Travel costs	111	-	-	111	170
Sub total	36,741	-	-	36,741	23,619
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	36,741	-	-	36,741	23,619
Net of receipts/(payments)	(20,017)	-	-	(20,017)	1,083
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	44,259	-	-	44,259	43,176
Cash funds this year end	24,242	-	-	24,242	44,259

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank account	29,468	-	49,486
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	29,468	-	49,486
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B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Stock	505	-	505
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
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