



## We Need Your Help

The Pro Grand Master has asked the Province of Northamptonshire and Huntingdonshire, along with six other nearby Provinces, to support him in raising £700,000 towards a custom designed and built new 'Maggie's Centre' at Addenbrooke's Hospital in Cambridge. Once raised, The Pro Grand Master will then approach the MCF to request matched funding.

The total cost of this venture will be in excess of £7 million of which £4 million has already been raised.

With over half of the population in the UK suffering from cancer at some point during their lifetime, cancer screening and treatment is more important than ever.

The Maggie's charity (Reg No. SC024414) - www.maggies.org - delivers expert psychological and practical support to cancer patients and their families, and is an important adjunct to the cancer diagnostics and treatment provided by the NHS. First opened in Edinburgh in 1996, there are now 24 Maggie's centres in the UK, including a centre in progress at Northampton General Hospital and one at an early stage in Peterborough.

Addenbrooke's Hospital in Cambridge is an internationally renowned teaching hospital and research hub. It is a centre of excellence for the treatment of cancer seeing 40,000 patients in medical oncology and 56,000 patients in clinical oncology every year. A percentage of the patients benefiting from the new Maggie's Cambridge centre will come from the Huntingdon area.

Maggie's Centres help patients to understand the complexities of both cancer diagnosis and treatment through a personalised evidence based program of support. This approach has been proven to enhance patients at all stages of treatment and care. The Maggie's Programme has been shown to improve understanding and mental health, reduces loneliness, supports return to work and eases the financial burden of cancer.

As a Province, we are pleased to play our part in supporting the Pro-Grand Masters' fund raising campaign. The target is for each Lodge in the Province to raise and contribute £1,000 in support for the new Maggie's Cambridge project.

The campaign starts on the 1st November 2024 and will end on the 30th October 2025.

We thank you all for your support.

RW Bro Mark Constant Provincial Grand Master



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