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Rigid calendar competition funds life-enhancing care for the elderly

Corrugated packaging manufacturer Rigid Containers has donated £600 from an employee competition to a charity that cares for the elderly and vulnerable.

Marlow House, a community day care centre located near Rigid's head office in Desborough, Northamptonshire, has been given the funds to support the charity's ethos to improve lives.

The donation was raised by Rigid through the sales of a company advent calendar, following a design competition that was open to children of Rigid's employees across its four sites in the UK and Ireland.

Founded in 1983, Marlow House survives largely on the support of volunteers and donations and provides subsidised services such as meals on wheels, assisted bathing and a welcoming environment for people to socialise.

Saqib Khawaja, Rigid Containers' group financial director, said: "Marlow House does a wonderful job for the local community and we are proud to be able to show our support with this donation."

Marlow House fundraising co-ordinator Lynda Cosgrove said she was delighted by the generosity of Rigid as the donation helped provide a real lifeline to vulnerable people in the local area.

"The running costs of Marlow House are a constant concern and challenge," she said.

"The centre lets people keep their independence and provides a friendly space for people to relax, meet new friends and enjoy a hot meal while giving carers respite too. Thank you to Rigid's staff for raising money that will help provide this valuable service."

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About Rigid Containers

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Rigid Containers is part of the VPK Packaging Group – one of the fastest growing independent European manufacturers of recycled paper and corrugated cases and a turnover of over 1.3 million euros. Apart from the UK, it has a network of operating plants in Belgium, The Netherlands, France, Germany, Poland, Turkey, Romania, Ireland and Scandinavia

Renowned not only for its innovative approach and agile business model, Rigid is a leader in manufacturing premium secondary packaging, with a strong history of corrugated packaging manufacturing stretching back over a century. Operating from three state-of-the art integrated manufacturing and logistics facilities in England at Desborough, Selby and Wellington alongside its site in Limerick, Ireland the business provides a wide range of corrugated packaging and services.

Through considerable investment over the last 5 years, including a new corrugator, six-colour high quality post print (HQPP) systems and stock management investment the business continues to meet the demands of customers and deliver sustainable packaging products that are fully recyclable, thereby supporting the needs of the circular economy.

From basic corrugated boxes to retail ready packaging and the latest award-winning high-quality graphics for e-commerce solutions, Rigid prides itself on delivering for customers with excellent support across design, manufacturing and customer service departments.

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