

Provincial Almoners Report 2024

Brethren

Another year passes so quickly!

We continue to assist and offer support to brethren and their dependents in need, through the Essex Mark Welfare and Essex Mark Benevolent Funds.

We have been able to assist some more local charities this year and it has been a pleasure to work with some truly selfless people.

In January 2024, the Mark Benevolent Fund agreed a grant of £20,000 to assist a Clacton charity, "Sailship Training and Learning" purchase a minibus to assist them to pick up volunteers and service users, which will enable more people to be able to use their services and get a better start to their working lives.

This was very well received and a formal hand over of the bus was made in February with Trustees of the MBF, the Mark Masons Hall Charity Manager, as well as our own Provincial Grand Master, an Assistant PGM and myself in attendance.

I have been keeping in touch with Lodge Almoners and on their behalf I would remind all Brethren that if you have a problem or difficulty, please inform your Lodge Almoner so he can help you, or if he is unable to, he can consult with me to see what help is available.

Mark well and stay safe

W Bro Roy Kaye PGJD

Provincial Grand Almoner