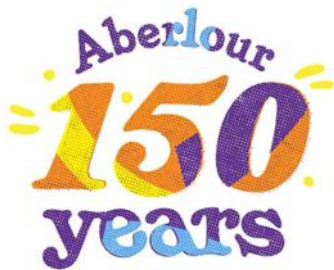


Aberlour Children's Charity

Report to The Scottish Episcopal Church –
Enable Grant

September 2025





This year, Aberlour celebrates 150 years of supporting children, young people, and families in Scotland. Founded in 1875 by Canon Charles Jupp and the Episcopal Church, our mission remains the same today; to stand with children to ensure they have a bright and fulfilled future.

We were incredibly grateful to receive your generous donation of £5,000 in January 2025. We are pleased to provide an update on how your donation has helped children and their families impacted by poverty in Glasgow.

How you helped families in Glasgow

Your grant was used to provide activities for children and their families to spend quality time together in a fun and memorable way. The families we support struggle to make ends meet and provide necessities such as food and clothing; a family day out is a luxury they simply cannot afford.

Supporting families to access activities provides the opportunity to nurture family relationships, giving children and parents quality time together, away from the stress and worry of their everyday lives. Many of the children we support have never experienced the activities we have been able to provide such as a trip to the cinema or pantomime.

Activities enjoyed by children and families included:

- 110 families chose an activity to enjoy as a family.
- An outing to see the Christmas pantomime, Pinocchio, for 20 children and 22 parents/carers.
- Easter celebration activities for 30 children, including an Easter egg hunt, arts and crafts and face painting.
- Whilst we were looking for a new venue to hold our weekly youth club, we took the young people out bowling, to laser tag and had a pizza night.
- 12 families had a fantastic trip to the cinema and for some of the children it was their very first cinema experience. The children were delighted to get popcorn and snacks to enjoy during the movie

Your impact

We have captured some feedback below describing how accessing activities made a difference to the lives of children and their families in Glasgow.

Our Family Support Workers in Glasgow often tell us how accessing activities, which we can often take for granted, bring so much joy to families. One mum who was experiencing a difficult time due to strained family relationships and a house move, felt guilty that her children had been stuck indoors all summer and she hadn't been in a position financially to enjoy a day out. Our Family Support Worker organised for the family to have a day out to Calderglen Country Park and Zoo via the activities fund, and Mum shared how she felt about the day –

"We had a great day out in the summer to somewhere I normally wouldn't be able to take the children myself, due to cost of travel, entry and lunch/snacks. We all had a great day together, spending time having fun and having a treat from Greggs for lunch which I wouldn't normally be able to do."

A message of thanks from an Aberlour Family Support Worker: -

"Two brothers had been separated and placed with different foster care families away from their home and community in Glasgow. It was a difficult time, but we were able to give them the choice of an activity to spend quality time together. The boys chose to go bowling and had a fun afternoon together. Thank you for giving them this gift of time to connect and create memories."

Thank you

Once again, thank you for your generous donation which brought joy to so many children and their families in Glasgow.