

Response Form

Please return this form to:

The Mayor's Office, Guildhall, Kingston upon Thames, Surrey KT1 1EU

I am pleased to support the Mayor's Charity Appeal by:-

- Making a donation of £
(cheques payable to **The Mayor's Charity**)

- By donating a raffle prize for one of the Mayor's Charity events (please give a description)
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- By getting your local group or organisation to run a fund-raising event during 2008/2009 in support of the Mayor's Charity Appeal

YES NO

- By sponsoring one or more of the events already organised

YES NO

- By publicising the work of the Mayor's Charity through friends, family and at work

YES NO

Name:

Address:

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..... Postcode:

Tel:

Email:

The Worshipful the Mayor of the Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames
 Councillor David Berry (left)
 &
 Deputy Mayor
 Councillor Rohan Yoganathan (right)



**All enquiries to:
 The Mayor's Office**

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 Surrey KT1 1EU

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The Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames



The Mayor's Charity Appeal 2008/2009

in aid of



To help a child is an honour



A Message from the Mayor

Many years ago, at the age of 16, I started training as a Royal Naval Artificer. In those days the public and the government had a great regard for the armed services. It was difficult to get a placement for National Service in the RN as there were ample volunteers willing to serve full time in the Senior Service. Today, I feel the situation is very different. I believe that successive governments have failed the armed services in the provision of the right equipment, care of the injured and of the families when a parent is killed in action. Please take this opportunity to join in and help fundraise for two special charities (see below). **The Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor David Berry**



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Forces Children's Trust is a charity devoted to helping children in need whose father or mother has died, or been seriously injured, whilst serving as a member of the British Armed Forces. The charity was founded in 2004, following the many heart-breaking stories that emerged from the losses in Afghanistan and Iraq, in an effort to fill a gap in the charitable field of family care. Over the years, the charity has grown considerably in size, allowing it to improve the lives of many children.

The Forces Children's Trust works in partnership with families, Charity and Services Associations and provides help and support to the children and their families.

Amongst the many areas of assistance, we organise regular educational and social events where children can meet and interact with others who have experienced similar heartache. The children benefit hugely from these trips as they realise that they are not alone in their grief. We also recognise that each child is special and unique, and should an individual require help not provided directly by the Trust, such as professional psychological help, then we can assist financially where appropriate.

For further information contact: Quaver Rest, 65 Shawley Way, Epsom Downs, Surrey KT18 5PD Telephone No: 01737 362077 Email: Denny.Wise@forceschildrenstrust.org www.forceschildrenstrust.org



EX-SERVICES MENTAL WELFARE SOCIETY

Combat Stress is the *only* registered charity providing specialist psychological support and treatment to Veterans of wars, peacekeeping missions and emergency relief operations. We support those ex-Service men and women who have been profoundly traumatised by the harrowing events they have been through during their Service and who have consequently suffered psychological injuries including Post Traumatic Stress Disorder.

The majority of the Veterans we see have become socially isolated, with failed family relationships and unable to hold down jobs. Many will have turned to alcohol and other substances as a means of escape. We teach them how to cope with the devastating effects of their illness and how to reduce the symptoms they experience. We give our Veterans the skills and confidence to rebuild their lives.

Combat Stress, established in 1919, has a successful track record of providing vital support and care through two principal activities: a national network of welfare officers and specialist treatment at our three short-stay centres, one of which is in Surrey. **For further information contact Head Office at: Tyrwhitt House, Oaklawn Road, Leatherhead, Surrey KT22 0BX Telephone No: 01372 841616 Email: fundraising@combatstress.org.uk www.combatstress.org.uk**

