

# **Faith-Based Charities**

## **Supporting faith communities, compassion, and outreach**

Faith-based charities are often chosen to reflect a loved one's beliefs, spiritual values, or long-standing involvement in a faith community. For some families, this means supporting a local place of worship. For others, it's about helping charities whose work is guided by faith-based compassion, care, and service to others.

These charities may focus on community outreach, poverty relief, healthcare, international aid, or pastoral support.

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## **Local & Regional Faith-Based Charities**

*(Worthing, West Sussex & South Coast)*

### **Local Churches, Places of Worship & Parish Charities**

- **Local Parish Churches (Worthing & West Sussex)**  
Many churches have associated charities or funds supporting community outreach, pastoral care, food provision, and local welfare initiatives.
  - **Diocesan Charities & Trusts (Chichester Diocese)**  
Supports churches, clergy welfare, and community projects across Sussex.
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### **Community Outreach & Support**

- **Churches Together in Worthing (CTiW)**  
A network of local churches working together to support community projects, food banks, homelessness initiatives, and social outreach.
  - **Turning Tides (Worthing & West Sussex)**  
Faith-inspired homelessness charity offering accommodation, outreach, and long-term support to people experiencing homelessness.
  - **Off The Fence (Brighton & Sussex)**  
Christian charity providing support for people facing homelessness, poverty, and social isolation.
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# National Faith-Based Charities (UK-Wide)

## Christian Charities

- **Christian Aid**  
Works globally to tackle poverty, injustice, and inequality through long-term development and emergency response.
  - **Salvation Army**  
Provides practical support including homelessness services, addiction support, care homes, and disaster relief.
  - **Tearfund**  
Christian charity working internationally to address poverty, hunger, and injustice.
  - **CAFOD**  
Catholic international development charity providing humanitarian aid and long-term development support.
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## Multi-Faith & Inclusive Charities

- **Faith in Action**  
Supports faith-based social action projects across the UK, including food banks and community outreach.
  - **Inter Faith Network for the UK**  
Promotes understanding, cooperation, and collaboration between different faith communities.
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## Jewish Charities

- **Jewish Care**  
Provides health and social care services for the Jewish community, including care homes and community support.
  - **World Jewish Relief**  
Delivers humanitarian aid and supports vulnerable communities worldwide.
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## Muslim Charities

- **Islamic Relief UK**  
Provides emergency aid, healthcare, education, and long-term development projects globally and within the UK.
  - **Muslim Aid**  
Delivers humanitarian relief and development programmes guided by Islamic values of compassion and charity.
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## Other Faith Traditions

- **Sikh Aid**  
International humanitarian charity inspired by Sikh principles, providing disaster relief and community support.
  - **Buddhist Global Relief**  
Supports projects addressing hunger, poverty, and education in vulnerable communities worldwide.
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## Faith-Led Care, Bereavement & Support

- **Marie Curie (faith-inclusive hospice care)**  
While not faith-specific, often supported by faith communities for its compassionate end-of-life care.
  - **Hospice Chaplaincy Services**  
Many hospices and hospitals offer faith-sensitive chaplaincy support funded through charitable donations.
  - **Local Pastoral Care Funds**  
Church- or faith-based funds supporting counselling, visiting services, and bereavement support within the community.
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## How Families Often Use This Guide

Families may choose a faith-based charity to:

- Reflect a loved one's religious beliefs or spiritual values
- Support a local church, mosque, synagogue, or temple
- Contribute to outreach work helping vulnerable people
- Support international aid guided by compassion and service

This guide includes **local faith communities**, as well as **national and international charities**, offering families a wide range of meaningful options.

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## Gentle Notes for Families

- Choosing a faith-based charity is entirely personal
- Donations can be local, national, or international
- Faith-led charities often combine practical help with compassion and care
- There is no obligation to choose a faith-based charity unless it feels right