

Katharine House Hospice began as 'Stafford Hospice at Home' in 1989, before the Katharine House Hospice Day Care Unit opened in May 1993. We have gone from strength to strength, welcoming our first in-patient in September 2000, a 'Drop in Day' in 2001 and a Carers' Group in 2004.

Today's Katharine House Hospice continues to grow, with over 200 staff and a staggering 600+ volunteers. Together we provide care for the families of mid-Staffordshire and we could not have done this without the support of our local community.

All of our services are offered free of charge and we rely on the kindness and generosity of the local community to help generate over 75% of the funds needed to continue our care.

Here at Katharine House Hospice, our aim is to enable our patients and those close to them to live life as fully as possible and make the most of the time that they have. We offer a welcoming, warm and safe environment, where hope is kept alive and laughter is often heard.

We provide a range of services which offer holistic care and support for people with advanced life-limited conditions across mid-Staffordshire.

Many people believe that we treat cancer patients only, however we care for people with a range of conditions including Multiple Sclerosis, Motor Neurone Disease, end-stage Renal failure and cancer. From our Day Therapies Unit, our 10-bed In-Patient Unit, the Wellbeing Day programme to care "At Home", carer support and the Lymphoedema Clinic, our aim is to enable patients to live their lives as fully and as comfortably as possible whilst providing support to their families/carers.

Would you like to do something amazing?

We are extremely fortunate that a huge part of our team is made up of volunteers, many of whom have been with the hospice for a considerable amount of time.

Ranging in age from 14 up to 80 plus, each and every one of our volunteers adds a different dimension to our organisation, sharing experience, knowledge or skills. From our shops to patient care, IT and Admin support to gardening, there really is a volunteering opportunity for everyone.

If you are reading this as one of our volunteers, a huge thank you for everything you do. If you or someone you know might be interested or would like to find out more about our volunteering opportunities, without commitment, then **please contact our Voluntary Services team on 01785 254645.**

No experience is necessary, full training will be provided and we'd love to hear from you!