

Press Release

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'Big Lottery' grant for Harrow charity Kids Can Achieve

Harrow charity Kids Can Achieve has been awarded a huge three year grant of over £400,000 by the Big Lottery fund. The grant will enable KCA to provide support to children with special needs in the borough in partnership with another local charity, The Centre for ADHD and Autism Support

The funding from the Big Lottery builds on an earlier grant awarded in 2013. The grant will fund a spectrum of support for children and young people with special needs: drop-ins, a crèche, group work, 1-1 work, counselling and art therapy. The project will also employ a family worker to offer information, advice and support, while a youth transition project will support young people aged 14-25 as they move from childhood to adulthood.

The outgoing Chair of KCA Simon Jarrett and the newly appointed Chair Carol Foyle said in a joint statement:

'We are deeply grateful to The Big Lottery fund for the great faith they have shown in KCA by awarding this grant. The work will be absolutely vital, creating better life opportunities for the children we work with and their families.

We are delighted to have brought this investment into Harrow and once again have shown how well-run, dynamic local charities can boost the lives of people who live here and the local economy.

We look forward to working with our partner The Centre for ADHD and Autism Support, in making maximum use of this wonderful grant. The fact that Big Lottery have boosted our funding by 50% from our previous project is terrific testimony to the confidence they have in KCA.'

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Note to editors:

Kids Can Achieve is a registered charity supporting children and young people with special needs, and their families. The children have a range of conditions, including Learning Disabilities, Autism, Attention Deficit Hyperactive Disorder and related social, emotional, behavioural and learning difficulties.

Services include After School Club, playschemes, Youth Groups, support with education issues, respite, advocacy therapies, counselling and advice.

Kids Can Achieve work in a corporate partnership with the Westminster Society for People with Learning Disabilities

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