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New celebration week will spotlight Welsh charities

Volunteer, donate, take the ‘Whose coat’s that jacket?’ challenge ...these are just some of the ways people across Wales can get involved in the new Welsh Charities Week.

A new awareness week, [Welsh Charities Week](#), has been announced and will take place 15-19 November 2021.

Welsh Charities Week invites people to join in and celebrate the charities, voluntary organisations, community groups and volunteers that enrich all of our lives here in Wales.

The week will showcase the incredible difference non-profit groups of all shapes and sizes make to people’s lives across Wales. Organisers, WCVA (Wales Council for Voluntary Action) are asking members of the public to get involved, tell their stories and give thanks to their favour Welsh charities.

Welsh Charities Week is also throwing down the gauntlet for a new **‘Whose coat’s that jacket?’** fundraising challenge. Members of the public are being encouraged to raise money for a cause that’s close to their heart by filming themselves putting on as many items of clothing as they can in 60 seconds. The attempts will appear on the [#WelshChartiesWeek](#) hashtag.

WAYS TO GET INVOLVED IN WELSH CHARITIES WEEK

1. Give a welsh charity or voluntary group a shout out on social media

Do you have a favourite charity that's close to your heart? Give them a shout out on your social media platform of choice. Tell us why you love them and remember to use #WelshCharitiesWeek. Each day on social media we've got a different theme. We'll focus on different aspects of how charities, voluntary groups and volunteers make a difference every day across Wales. Get involved by telling us your stories.

2. Donate

Welsh Charities Week is the perfect time to make a donation to your favourite charity. Remember it doesn't have to be a cash donation - it could be a bag of clothes or other items for your local charity shop, or you could even donate some of your time by volunteering (see below). You can also take part in our 'Whose coat's that jacket?' challenge!

3. Sign up to become a volunteer

Do you have some spare time and feel like you could use it to do some good? Why not sign up to become a volunteer? If you are interested in becoming a volunteer a good place to start is www.volunteering-wales.net.

More information is available at welshcharitiesweek.cymru.

Organised by WCVA, Welsh Charities Week is supported by ITV Cymru Wales.

Notes to editors

- Welsh Charities Week will take place 15-19 November 2021

- For more information please contact Simon Dowling – sdowling@wcva.cymru / 02920 436596
- WCVA will be publishing video and photo content throughout the week
- At welshcharitiesweek.cymru you can download a campaign pack. During the week the site will host a photo gallery of Welsh voluntary organisations
- Wales Council for Voluntary Action (WCVA) is the national membership body for voluntary organisations in Wales. We exist to enable voluntary organisations in Wales to make a bigger difference together

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