TINY TICKERS

How the monies raised from City of London School have helped us to support more tiny hearts...



Tiny Tickers is a small national charity that works to improve the detection, care and treatment of babies with congenital heart defects. We want every baby with a serious heart condition to have the best chance of survival and quality of life. Founded in 1999 by world-renowned fetal cardiologist Dr Helena Gardiner, she realised many of the babies she was caring for could have been helped earlier.

One in every 125 babies is born with a heart problem and over 1,000 newborns leave hospitals in the UK every year with no one realising they have a potentially life-threatening heart condition. Babies with undetected heart defects will often fall into the early stages of heart failure. Some will die before anyone realises they have a poorly heart, or before having the surgery that would save them. We want to increase early detection rates of cardiac conditions thus improving chances of survival and long-term quality of life.

OUR AREAS OF WORK

We'll help every baby with congenital heart disease in the UK have equal access to the highest quality detection, diagnosis, treatment and care.



We will **train and support** sonographers and other health professionals working to help patients with CHD.







We will influence service standards and be a voice for patients and families.

We will provide families with information, advice and access to support.









THANK YOU FOR VOTING FOR TINY TICKERS AS YOUR CHOSEN CHARITY IN 2018-2019



AN INCREDIBLE £69,323.14 WAS RAISED!







1 in 125

babies have a serious heart condition

...but fewer than half are spotted during pregnancy



Our Think Heart campaign highlights the signs that newborn babies may have a serious heart condition that hasn't been spotted.

We're here to make that better...
to help sonographers spot heart defects.

Your support could help us train around 1300 sonographers in hospitals across the UK Your support could help us send approximately 13,864 Think HEART packs to expectant parents!

www.tinytickers.org

What your donation could do



£5 sends an expectant parent all the information they need to protect their baby's heart, including what to expect from their 20 week scan and the signs of heart failure in a newborn baby.



£10 provides one family with materials and advice about facing a diagnosis of CHD and what to expect when their baby has open heart surgery.



£25 sends one GP surgery a pack of materials with information about the signs of heart failure in babies and the importance of the 20-week scan for detecting heart conditions.



£50 trains one sonographer to be better able to detect heart conditions during pregnancy scan, giving that baby's heart the best chance of beating their condition.



£725 provides a Pulse Oximetry testing kit for use in a maternity unit to help detect heart conditions in newborn babies before they leave

'Doctors told us that
Edie may be blue and
unresponsive at birth
and for this reason
we would have a bed
in NICU on standby.
Six days later we
were home with a
healthy baby who
had a repaired heart.



We will be forever grateful to the sonographer who spotted something wasn't quite right. Thanks to her, we had time to prepare for the 'what ifs'. For that, we can't thank her enough.'

- Jodie, Edie's mum

Thank you!

For helping us give babies with heart conditions a better start!

Thanks to your support we are able to help so many more babies, heart families and the health professionals that support them. Little ones like Billy, pictured here, enjoying his

cake

The amount raised by staff & pupils could help us fund 95 pulse oximetry machines in UK maternity units

As you can see with your help our work delivers real life-saving results to heart babies, their families, and the health professionals that look after them. We've continued to ensure the voice of parents is heard, and their views valued, by those who set standards in CHD services. And we continue to be a source of comfort and support to all those heart families facing a new diagnosis or an uncertain future. We are a small charity, but we deliver a huge impact through what we do - and we couldn't do what we do without you.





better experience, because the sonographer had Tiny **Tickers training so** understood the impact of early diagnosis of heart defects and the worries of parents. Thank you Tiny Tickers, you are making a huge difference.'

- Jennie, heart parent

