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How you make a difference



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Beneficiary success story

Imagine life being secure with a stable income and family unit. But then only for it to spiral out of control through no fault of your own. This is what happened to

John who came to the charity after experiencing harrowing situations at home.

John enjoyed a successful career in commercial law and lived with his wife, Sandra and their three children, Jack, Lucy and Emily. But all this came to a halt when his wife was diagnosed with paranoid schizophrenia.

Day-to-day living soon became chaotic and increasingly challenging. His wife began spending large amounts of their money. With savings being drained, stress and tensions were added to the relationship.

Divorce followed by debt

Struggling to manage her mental health condition, John's wife left the family to live elsewhere. The couple later divorced and John was forced to resign from his job to care for the kids. With no income and still reeling from the separation, John endured a lengthy custody battle for his children. Sadly he lost the case and was granted access to see them on alternative weekends and holidays.

Still determined to be part of their lives, John purchased a three bedroom house nearby. He soon felt the financial pressures of living in a big city. Debts began to stack up as he used his credit card to cover costs of mortgage and care for his children.

How you helped

With debts mounting and all savings spent, John struggled to keep his head above water. Luckily he reached out to SBA and was treated with empathy from staff, trustees and his Area Representative Volunteer (AR). The AR commented;

"Although superficially coping well, his past matrimonial and his present custody and residency issues consume all his time and energy"

Thanks to your help, John's life has been brought back to an even keel. We

provided £20,000 to settle his debts. This gave him the much needed breathing space to enjoy time with his children.

John has since moved past this difficult chapter and is back in employment. He expressed his gratitude for helping to turn his life around by saying the following;

**The financial support
great news, and many
thanks for all your help!**

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