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**Rotarian Rod Cooper**  
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Dear Rod

On behalf of the team at Help for Heroes and of course the ultimate beneficiaries of your generosity, our wounded troops, I must thank you and all the members of Lichfield St Chad (particularly Ian and Sam of course) for letting H4H be a part of Cars In The Park. A great weekend and one that resulted in receipts for H4H and RRU Whittington of £3717.82 from collection and £671 from merchandise.

The huge success of Help for Heroes since inception means that £54m has been raised to date. £11m has provided the state of the art gym and pool complex at the Tri-Service Rehabilitation Centre at Headley Court officially opened by Prince William on June 4<sup>th</sup> 2010. Additionally £3.5m is building a new wing for Combat Stress for the treatment of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, £500,000 has built a Home from Home at Selly Oak Hospital to house relatives of service personnel while they visit their loved ones in hospital and many further grants to, among others, Battle Back, Skill Force and Troop Aid are assisting the wounded in the enormous challenges facing them in their quest to get back to a fulfilling life.

Recently announced our support for the establishment of 12 Personnel Recovery Units each with its own staff and based in the Brigade areas. These units will be open to all three services. They will provide full support for those wounded people whose futures lie without the Army and they will be classed as being on the Red Route. Once on the Red Route an Individual Recovery Programme begins. This programme will be tailored to suit the dreams and aspirations of everyone, regardless of their disability. The process might even take years but it will ensure that Red Routers leave only when they have the correct support, the right skills, the housing and the job offers.

This is a joint Service Charity initiative and H4H's total commitment will be £40m of which £25m has already been earmarked in addition to ongoing financial support year-on-year. So there is still a lot to be done.

These are very difficult and dangerous times for our Servicemen and women, particularly in Afghanistan. Because of the structure of Help for Heroes **every penny** of your generous donation goes to give the very best rehabilitation to our wounded when things have gone tragically wrong.

Thank you.