

Sponsor a Journey — Bring a Family to a Place That Cares

How a single £50 gift can change a child's life.

What is "Sponsor a Journey"?

Sponsor a Journey is our simple, transparent way for you to pay for a real journey in a real car to a real place that matters — a hospital appointment, a school, a therapy session, a family visit.

Every penny goes to a family who couldn't otherwise afford the transport. Every journey is logged, named (with permission), and shared with you — the person who made it happen.

Why transport matters

For many disabled children and their families, the cost of a taxi or specialist transport is the difference between going and not going. The appointment gets missed. The therapy never happens. The school day ends with a parent too exhausted to take the child out the next day.

We don't think that's acceptable. So we built this.

The cost of a single journey

Journey type	Typical cost	What it covers
Local appointment (under 5 miles)	£15–£20	Petrol, driver time, vehicle wear
Hospital trip (10–30 miles)	£30–£50	Petrol, parking, driver waiting time
Full day (school + return)	£60–£80	Multiple stops, longer wait, special equipment
Specialist SEN vehicle (wheelchair, hoist)	£80–£120	Specialist driver + adapted vehicle
Out-of-region treatment	£150–£250	Long distance, return journey, overnight if needed

How it works

1. **You donate** any amount — £15, £50, £100, £500, whatever feels right.
 2. **We match it** to a family in our network who needs that specific type of journey.
 3. **The journey happens** — booked with our trusted partner drivers (including our founder Mohammed's own TeslaRides service).
 4. **We tell you about it** — you receive a short report: who went where, what it meant, a photo (with consent).
 5. **Tax receipt** — UK Gift Aid eligible, full receipt issued.
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The families you'll help

Real stories (names changed for privacy)

Aisha, age 7, autism + sensory needs

- Needs weekly OT sessions 18 miles from home
- Mum can't drive; local buses are sensory nightmares
- With Sponsor a Journey: a quiet, scent-free car every Tuesday at 9am
- Cost: £35 per round trip

Yusuf, age 12, complex physical disability

- Wheelchair user, needs accessible vehicle
- Hospital appointments every 6 weeks, 40 miles away
- With Sponsor a Journey: adapted WAV with driver who knows him by name
- Cost: £95 per round trip

The Begum family

- Three disabled children, single mum
 - School run is 12 miles each way
 - With Sponsor a Journey: reliable vehicle for the daily school commute
 - Cost: £45 per day
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The ripple effect

When a child gets to their appointment:

- They get the therapy or treatment they need
- The parent gets a break from the stress of arranging transport
- The clinician sees them consistently (not "we missed three appointments")
- Outcomes improve
- The whole family stabilises

A single sponsored journey can prevent a crisis, a hospital admission, or a family breakdown.

How to sponsor a journey

Option 1: One-off donation

- Donate any amount via our website
- Add a note: "Sponsor a Journey"
- We'll match it within 7 days

Option 2: Monthly sponsor

- Set up a £15, £30, or £50 monthly direct debit
- One journey a month, every month
- You become a "Journey Friend" — your name (or "anonymous") listed on our wall of thanks

Option 3: Corporate sponsor

- £500+ per quarter
- Your logo on a real vehicle for a year
- Quarterly impact reports
- Tax-deductible

Donate: www.disabledchildrenfundbd.org/donate

Email us: hello@disabledchildrenfundbd.org

Call: +44 (0)7980 069000

What we promise

- **100% of your donation** goes to transport. We cover admin costs separately.
- **Every journey is logged** — date, family, destination, driver, miles.
- **Every sponsor gets a report** — within 30 days, with photos and a thank-you from the family.

- **Full transparency** — annual impact report published every January.
 - **No family is turned away** for inability to "tell their story well." Need is need.
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About DCF

Disabled Children Fund BD is a UK-registered charity building a world-class disability centre in Sylhet, Bangladesh. **Sponsor a Journey** is our UK arm — we run it with the same care and rigour we bring to the centre.

Our founder, **Mohammed Eijaz**, is a former social worker and the owner of **TeslaRides** (a specialist private hire service for SEN, elderly, and airport passengers). He drives some of the sponsored journeys himself.

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