



The Rifles Freedom of Wellington – Care for Casualties Charity

The principal charity for The Rifles Freedom of Wellington is Care for Casualties. This charity contributes towards The Rifles Benevolence Fund to help Riflemen and their families in case of death or severe injury in the line of duty.

Care for Casualties was launched in 2009 and aims to raise additional funds to help members of The Rifles family who are in need following the Regiment's persistent involvement in Iraq and Afghanistan's conflicts.

The charity does more than just raise funds, they also provide a wide range of services for veterans and their families:

- A mental health support network that focusses specifically on those suffering from PTSD. Care for Casualties works alongside other charities and the NHS to provide this.
- Mobility aids for injured veterans – including vehicle adaptations that are not available from standard public sources.
- Homing and rehoming costs, especially for those who find themselves homeless.
- Contribution to training and re-training courses.
- Providing hobby, fitness, and communications equipment to enable individuals to maintain their mental and physical health as well as aid in contact.
- Home adaptations such as outbuildings that give individuals the chance to be alone to decompress.

There are many more examples and each case is assessed individually.

Collections will be made on behalf of this charity throughout the week (12th – 17th June) in the Pop-Up Shop as part of The Rifles Pop-Up Museum. Collections will also be made at the Recreation Ground as a part of our Armed Forces Day celebrations from 10:30am – 4:30pm and in the town centre on Saturday 17th June ahead of the parade. As well as this, a [JustGiving page](#) has been set up by Wellington Town Council.