BECOME A BENEFACTOR
OUR MISSION IS TO TRANSFORM LIVES THROUGH CRICKET

The MCC Foundation is the charitable arm of MCC: the world’s most active cricket club, owner of Lord’s cricket ground, and the guardian of the Laws of the game.

We deliver projects across the UK and around the world that harness the transformative power of cricket to:

- **Empower** young people to reach their full potential
- **Promote** positive mental and physical well-being
- **Unite and inspire** communities
I am proud to be a Patron of the MCC Foundation and to support its work both in the UK and around the world to make cricket a game that champions respect and equality for all.

Cricket can heal divided communities, give hope in the most desperate of circumstances, and transform lives. There is much pain and prejudice in our world, but the Foundation is empowering and inspiring young people through cricket, so that they may build a brighter future.

Michael Holding, MCCF Patron

Cricket was one of the very first sports to recognise the need to address openly the issue of mental health, and the Foundation is a flagbearer for this important cause in communities up and down the country. Our most celebrated cricketers are those that champion human characteristics, and it is those qualities that make the sport such a deep, enduring, and rich game.

The MCC Foundation will do all it can to encourage warmth, openness and empathy amongst its participants alongside a fierce competitive spirit and hunger to improve physical skills. Such a combination ensures not just fulfilled and successful cricketers but contributes to happy fulfilment off the field too.

Stephen Fry, MCCF Patron
Within the UK, our mission is to make cricket a game for all. We work to open up access to the talent pathways so that every young cricketer has the opportunity to reach their full potential in the game, regardless of race, gender, or economic circumstance.

The MCC Foundation runs a network of cricket Hubs that provide free-to-access training and match play to almost 3,000 state-educated young cricketers at over 60 sites across the UK. The Hubs focus on talent, empowering promising youngsters from under-represented backgrounds to join cricket clubs, develop their hard-ball skills, and access the talent pathway.

The Hubs help those who have been engaged through non-traditional formats or mass participation initiatives to transition into the formal cricketing structures and build a long-term love of the game.

95% of participants said the Hub training has made them a better cricketer.

97% of participants said the Hub has increased their desire to keep playing cricket.

81% of parents said attending the Hub has improved their child’s personal confidence.

49% of parents noticed improvements in their child’s motivation and performance at school which they attribute to the Hub training.
I love cricket more than ever now and want to play at the highest level possible. The coaches were great – they made the sessions fun and taught me so much.

Framlingham Hub participant

Not only has the Hub helped her cricket, school work and general attitude, it has made her a happier young lady! She has become more confident, happier, and has made lots of new friends.

Parent of a Leeds Hub participant
Training at the Hub has been an amazing experience. I don’t think you could get an opportunity like this anywhere else.
I thought I was the only girl who liked cricket, but at the Hub I got to meet more.
The Hub has inspired me. I want to play for England and the coaches have really helped me.
Amelia, MCCF Hub Participant

The MCC Foundation’s Hubs are a wonderful vehicle to get young people into the game.
The high-quality coaching, delivered within a holistic framework, offers a great opportunity for young cricketers at all stages of their career, from youngsters just starting out, to those with high potential to go on to play at the highest levels.
Cricket is for everyone, and the MCC Foundation’s Hubs are committed to ensuring widespread opportunity for all and encouraging a lifelong interest in the game.

Mike Atherton OBE, MCCF Patron

The Hub has made me a better cricketer and a better person in general.
Thank you!
Newcastle Hub participant
Overseas, we are working to provide life-changing opportunities through cricket and to open up access to the game. We harness the transformative power of cricket and the MCC brand to provide hope and opportunity, and to encourage personal development and positive social change.

We have previously supported inspiring projects in Afghanistan, South Africa, and Sri Lanka, and we currently deliver impactful programmes in Nepal and Lebanon.
There is huge passion for cricket across Nepal, but a lack of investment and infrastructure. Our project is helping thousands of young people to access and progress through the game and supporting Nepal’s ambitions to become a great cricketing nation.

We are working with delivery partners including Connecting Clubs, Kidasha, and MCC to nurture the grassroots game by running coaching and competitions in local schools, building facilities, providing kit, and up-skilling local teachers and coaches to deliver cricket. There is also a strong focus on empowering women and girls through the delivery of gender equality workshops alongside cricket sessions.

EMPOWERING YOUNG PEOPLE IN NEPAL

Through the cricket camps and gender equality workshop I came to know that both male and female are equal.

Nepal is a male dominated society where there is unequal treatment for women. We need to provide equal opportunities to women. If done so, women can reach the highest post in different sectors and situations. We should not have any forms of discrimination between males and females.

Aarohi Shrestha, female student from Biratnagar, Nepal

INSPIRING YOUNG REFUGEES IN LEBANON

The MCC Foundation is supporting a life-changing project for young Syrian refugees living in the Bekaa Valley encampment in Lebanon. We fund a cricket hub which offers hope and opportunity through year-round cricket coaching and match play for 40 young boys and girls. The project is delivered by Alsarna Cricket and builds on their existing work in the Shatila refugee camp in Beirut.

There is high demand for these cricketing opportunities as they provide a lifeline for the young people trying to survive in the unimaginably challenging conditions of these camps. We are excited by the potential of this project to change lives and promote the game, and we plan to increase our support to reach hundreds more children who want to play.
Benefactors are at the heart of the MCC Foundation community, and our Benefactors’ programme allows us to recognise the transformative contribution of those who have made a significant philanthropic commitment to our work.

Whilst helping us to support and empower young people around the world, Benefactors can enjoy an exclusive package of unforgettable experiences at the Home of Cricket, including:

- Having your name forever engraved on our Honours Board at Lord’s
- Going behind the scenes during an international match, watching the players warm up and visiting the outfield and the Media Centre, all before the first ball is bowled
- Rubbing shoulders with cricketing legends at our annual Benefactors’ dinner
- Enjoying annual match-day hospitality for two
- Experiencing many more exciting opportunities to feel at home at the Home of Cricket

Joining the ranks of cricket legends who have rung the 5-minute bell. The bell is rung to signal the start of play. At Lord’s, this honour has been bestowed on many legends of the game – from Sir Garfield Sobers to Rahul Dravid. You will have the chance to join their ranks by ringing the bell during the lunch or tea interval.
The only reason I was as old as three months when I first went to cricket was because I was born in the winter. My father was cricket mad and played at school, during the war, in his prisoner of war camp, and then for various clubs including the Cross Arrows and he played sometimes for MCC. He instilled his love of cricket in both my mother and me, and I wanted to honour my parents and their love of this wonderful sport by supporting the MCC Foundation.

My parents would have been delighted that their passion for cricket could hopefully be instilled in others from the very young upwards. It is therefore with enormous pleasure that I am supporting the Foundation in their name.

Lesley Williams,
MCCF Benefactor
There are three tiers of giving within our Benefactors’ programme. At all tiers, gifts can be made via an annual contribution for five years, or as a one-off gift. However you choose to donate, you will have access to the package of Benefactor experiences for the full five years.

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**GIFT AID**

Your contribution is split between a payment for the package of benefits, and a suggested donation to which Gift Aid can be applied. It is possible to purchase the benefits package separately without making any further donation - however, this will significantly reduce the value and impact of your support to the Foundation.

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**TERMS & CONDITIONS**

(i) If you are donating through a charitable trust, you are able to receive recognition e.g. your name engraved on the Honours Board, but not benefits e.g. match tickets. Please contact info@mccfoundation.org.uk to find out more.

(ii) Benefits cannot be resold and tickets must go to named parties.

(iii) To ensure availability, it is asked that at least three months’ notice is given in order to secure match day experiences/tickets. Anything less than three months may mean we are unable to fulfil your request.

(iv) Annual benefits cannot overrun into subsequent years.

(v) Where there is limited capacity e.g. at hospitality or to ring the five-minute bell during a certain day, places will be fulfilled on a first-come-first-served basis. We will do our utmost to grant every Benefactor their preferred first choice.

(vi) Should there be no play e.g. due to poor weather/an early finish to a match, which would prevent you taking up a benefit, we will do our utmost to provide a replacement in the same year.

(vii) In cases where donations are being made in instalments and cease prematurely, all benefits and recognition will cease.

(viii) The Foundation reserves the right to refuse or return any donation which the Trustees consider to be detrimental to the values or reputation of the Foundation.

(ix) All benefits are at the discretion of MCC and MCCF and last for five years.
WE ARE PASSIONATE BELIEVERS IN THE POWER OF CRICKET TO TRANSFORM LIVES, BOTH IN THE UK AND OVERSEAS.

Our work is made possible by the generosity of our supporters. Their commitment allows us to bring joy, opportunity, and the chance of a better future to thousands of young people around the world.

If you would like to find out more about our work or offer your support, please do contact me and I would be delighted to arrange a call or a meeting at Lord’s.

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