

Press Release

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RUH Newborn Intensive Care Unit Delighted with Donation

On Tuesday 19 June, grateful granddad Terry Foxson will proudly present a magnificent £1,500 donation to staff in the Royal United Hospital newborn intensive care unit (NICU).

Terry's grandson Louis was born at 26 weeks and spent five weeks in NICU at the RUH last year. Raising this money is Terry's way of showing his gratitude for the care that Louis received.

Louis' mum Kate, who lives in Bath, says: "Louis received tremendous care in NICU which undoubtedly saved his life. All of our friends and family were deeply touched by our experience and my dad wanted to do something to help future premature babies."

Terry raised the money with the generous support of pub landlord and landlady Pete and Jane, and friends and rugby fans at the Foresters Arms in Downend, Bristol. They spent a whole year raising money from sporting events, raffles, barbeques and auctions.

Matron Debbie Slocombe says: "We are so grateful to everyone for their generosity in raising this money. We are always very touched by the ways that mums, dads, grandparents and friends and relatives say thank you to us for the care we give. The money will be put towards special equipment to help care for the babies on the unit."

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Notes to Editors

A photo opportunity has been arranged for Tuesday 19 June at 2pm. Please contact Anita Houlding, communications officer on 01225 825799.