



PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF HAMPSHIRE AND ISLE OF WIGHT

June 2017

South Central Area Cheque Presentation event

The South Central Area Cheque Presentation event held at Southampton Masonic Centre on 20th June was honoured to have the Provincial Grand Master RW. Bro [Michael Wilks](#) and the Sheriff of Southampton, Councillor Stephen Barnes-Andrews in attendance.

With 120 people present and 45 non-Masonic charities & causes represented, the Area APMG W.Bro. [Jon Whitaker](#) welcomed the non-Masonic guests to Southampton Masonic Centre and introduced the PGM to the invited audience.

The PGM addressed a packed Temple and gave an excellent and very detailed explanation on the charitable giving of brethren, including the very important point that Freemasons are strongly encouraged to share what we do, and hoped it would give the audience a better understanding of Freemasonry within our community.

The PGM highlighted the [Lifelites - Naomi House & Jacksplace](#) appeal, which is a cause very close to his heart and that the fundraising within the Province was on the cusp of reaching its target.

The main event proceeded with, and the photograph aptly shows, the joy on the faces of all the Charity Ambassadors who were the recipients of a fantastic £46,575 donated by the South Central Area Brethren.



To end this wonderful evening the Sheriff of Southampton Councillor Les Harris addressed the audience and thanked everyone present for the invitation and the wonderful experience he had witnessed. The APMG then presented the Sheriff with a donation towards the Mayors Fund.

