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Helping Samaritans *Feel Good Friday 2013 gets a boost from WebHealer*

For the second year running, WebHealer and its clients who work in the therapy industry surpassed their target for [Samaritans'](#) annual fundraising initiative, *Feel Good Friday*.

"I offered discounted sessions and donated 50% of my takings, resulting in a wonderful £150, which WebHealer then doubled to £300 for Samaritans – not bad for a day's work!"

Amanda Weller (www.quantumbeing.co.uk)

Samaritans needs to raise over £10 million each year to keep their service running. This year, 158 therapists supported by WebHealer raised just under £1,500 by donating a proportion of their treatment costs throughout the day; matched funding by WebHealer took the total to almost £3,000, amounting to keeping Samaritans' vital service going for 36 hours.

One of this year's participants, counsellor and psychotherapist Patricia McEntee (www.lifeconcerns.co.uk/), knows only too well the pain of losing someone who had given up hope:

"Tragically, I recently lost a loved one and am sure he felt he could not turn to anyone, in spite of being surrounded by loving family and friends. Any work that can be done to raise awareness of emotional pain and how to notice it in others will be money well spent. I hope the funds raised from Feel Good Friday will help Samaritans reach out to more people in need of support."

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Samaritans' Director of Fundraising Rachel Kirby-Rider was delighted at the amount raised by WebHealer and all the therapists who took part in *Feel Good Friday 2013*:
“The charity receives a call for help every five seconds, and funds raised from the day will allow us to answer more calls from people going through a tough time.”

[WebHealer](#) creates, maintains and promotes websites for professional therapists. The *Feel Good Friday Interactive Map* listed therapists supporting the initiative and was a real help in spreading the word and generating interest. The map showing all the therapists who supported the campaign can be seen at www.webhealer.net/feel-good-friday, with up to date news and client stories available on the WebHealer blog, www.webhealer.tumblr.com.

“Feel Good Friday is proving to be a perfect partnership between WebHealer, our therapist clients, and Samaritans. It’s also a great opportunity for therapists to demonstrate their integrity and ethics within their local community. We’re already planning for the 2014 Feel Good Friday event on 7 February!”

Phil Hulme, Director, WebHealer

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Notes for Editors

- For more information about Feel Good Friday, visit www.feelgoodfriday.org
- Samaritans is available round the clock, every single day of the year. We provide a safe place for anyone struggling to cope, whoever they are, however they feel, whatever life has done to them. Please call 08457 90 90 90 (UK) 1850 60 90 90 (ROI), email jo@samaritans.org, or visit www.samaritans.org to find details of the nearest branch.

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- **WebHealer** is a website company serving the professional therapist market; they have been in business for over 10 years and specialise in listing customers' websites on the world's favourite search engines (www.webhealer.net).
- To read the latest comments and stories from therapists about their *Feel Good Friday* this year, visit www.webhealer.tumblr.com.
- For more information, and to access the *Feel Good Friday Therapy Map*, visit www.webhealer.net/feel-good-friday.

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