



Business backs campaign

A CORK business has donated €11,000 worth of furniture to a fund-raising initiative dedicated to providing a specialist unit for cystic fibrosis sufferers in this region. Cork Cystic Fibrosis Week takes place from April 21 to 26 and is being organised by Build4Life, which was founded by friends and family of Cystic Fibrosis (CF) patients in Cork and Kerry. Cork CF Week is a designated week when organisations, schools, businesses, clubs and individuals are encouraged to fund-raise event or make a donation towards developing Ireland's first dedicated CF treatment unit at Cork University Hospital, and to raise awareness for CF. Cloud 9 furniture store, Ballincollig, is one business that has been actively involved with the Build4Life Project. In order to raise vital funds initially, The Build4Life team built two houses in Castleisland, Co Kerry. These houses will be auctioned in the near future, with all funds going towards the cost of creating the treatment unit. Cloud 9 kindly furnished the two houses with beds and bedroom furniture, valued at more than €11,000.

CF is a cause close to the hearts of Cloud 9 proprietors, John and Rachel White, as Rachel's cousin, Anne Marie O'Connell, died a number of years ago as result of CF at just seven years of age. A close friend of John's has also had two children recently diagnosed with CF. Build4Life are appealing to other businesses to come on board their new campaign, to help create the first dedicated CF treatment unit in

Ireland, based in Cork University Hospital.

● See the panel above for details on how you can get involved.



John White, Cloud 9, with Kathy Carlton, Friends of Cystic Fibrosis. Cloud 9 donated €11k of furniture to a fund-raising initiative dedicated to providing a unit for cystic fibrosis sufferers.

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