

Charity walk raises money for Railway Benefit Fund

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A team formed by **Arriva Rail London** and **Railway Benefit Fund (RBF)** staff has raised money for Railway Family week by walking the length of the London Euston to Watford Junction Overground route.

Railway Family Week is an annual appeal organised by **RBF** – a charity dedicated to providing support for current, retired and former railway employees and their families through tough times. The week is designed to bring the entire rail industry together.

The walk took in 19 London Overground stations and covered about 20 miles. The stations provided very welcome refreshments and encouragement along the way in a fundraising effort that took almost 11 hours.

Arriva Rail London Hatch End station customer hosts Andrew Hallisey, Liam Nixon, and Neha Patel came up with the concept. They were looking for a new fundraising challenge for themselves and their colleagues after successful annual community days, marathons, and long-distance bike rides.

Andrew said: “Having recently won a Heart of Gold Award, we looked into the work Railway Benefit Fund

does to support the railway family and decided we wanted to give back to them. We hope the money we have raised helps them to reach their fundraising goal of £50,000, so they can continue providing assistance to railway colleagues past and present.”

Faye Maloney, digital engagement officer at **Railway Benefit Fund**, joined the group for part of the walk. She said: “Congratulations to the Arriva Rail London team for taking on this challenge for Railway Family Week. Their fundraising means so much to Railway Benefit Fund at a time when we are seeing such high demand for our services. Well done all.”

If you would like to support Arriva Rail London’s charity walk for the Railway Benefit Fund, please consider making donation here: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/teamhte>.