

Rail Aid thanks two new silver sponsors for providing support

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Rail Aid has thanked businesses who are supporting its important fundraising work for 2021.

Rail Aid is a fundraising initiative set up to help charity Railway Children give life-changing support to street children in the UK, India and Africa.

Colas Rail and VINCI Construction have stepped forward as Silver Sponsors. Colas Rail is lending its support to the all-important Gala Auction, whilst VINCI is supporting the luxury Rail Aid Pullman fundraiser – where ticket holders will join Sir Peter Hendy and friends for a stunning trip across the Kent countryside, enjoying Michelin star fine dining as they travel.

Jean-Pierre Bertrand, CEO of Colas Rail UK said: “As one of the leading rail contractors in the UK, Colas Rail strives to help create better futures for all as part of the railway family. With Railway Children named as our chosen charity, we are delighted to continue our collaboration to inspire the rail industry to get involved and raise money for worthy causes as part of Rail Aid 2021. “We’re also delighted to be sponsoring this year’s Gala Auction to help raise vital funds to protect the most vulnerable in our society in line with our group’s corporate values and our CSR commitments. If this is something you’d like to get

involved with, please do join us and other rail businesses to make Rail Aid 2021 bigger and better than last year.”

Lionel Ravix, Managing Director Europe & UK at VINCI Construction Grand Projets said: “At a time that continues to be exceptionally challenging for the charitable sector, VINCI Construction Grands Projets along with our sister company, Taylor Woodrow, are delighted to support Rail Aid 2021. VINCI has been a supporter of this charity for a number of years through our UK businesses, and we have seen evidence of the great work delivered through industry sponsorship for this worthy cause.”

Julian Gatward, Managing Director at Taylor Woodrow said: “This year, VINCI Construction subsidiaries Taylor Woodrow and VINCI Construction Grands Projets have joined forces to support the Rail Aid Pullman 2021. Support for the Railway Children truly is a team effort with all team members getting involved for the chance to win a pair of Pullman tickets in a fundraising prize draw. The VINCI culture is built around forging a sustainable world for everyone and we hope to see more within the rail industry join us in raising critical funds for a phenomenal charity.”