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## **Hear to Help**

RNID have just completed a hugely successful year-long fundraising partnership with The Co-operative and thanks to the money raised through this partnership we are able to expand our "Hear to Help" services across the UK. The first of these new projects are just starting up and we are aiming to establish 20 new projects across the UK over the coming year.

## What is Hear to Help?

Hear to Help is a hearing aid support service. Staff and volunteers on our Hear to Help projects provide basic hearing aid maintenance as well as giving advice and support to new hearing aid wearers and to the families and carers of existing wearers. Our Hear to Help services are community based with a mix of outreach work, home visits and drop-in services and we deliver these services in partnership with local audiology departments.

In partnership with Salisbury Hospital's Audiology Unit and local volunteers, drop in services are being planned for Amesbury in the coming months, having already been to Durrington and helped 25 people.

The Amesbury Co-op was one of the highest fundraisers for Hear to Help.

For further details, please contact Gillian Drayson, Community Support Officer (Salisbury RNID) on 01722 580014