



# JoyRon Foundation

Helping children in need in the Balears

## OUR OBJECTIVES & PURPOSE

Helping children in the Balears, by the raising of funds, that will be applied to bring levels of joy, comfort and essential support to the children in need.

**Children exposed to violence, exploitation and/or abused.**

**Children suffering from hunger and living in poverty.**

**Children orphaned, fostered, in care, or deprived.**

**Children seriously ill and/or suffering from a life threatening illness and in need of special moments within their short lives that they can cherish.**

As all Foundation Administration Expenses are being privately funded and Support Services are being undertaken by Voluntary Advisory Associates, the Foundation is in a position to ensure every euro raised is 100% for the benefit of the Children.

The Foundation was formulated in July 2015 and to-date, the main accomplishments are:-

### **Financed the construction of an Aqua Centre at ASPACE in Bunyola**

During 2016 and first quarter 2017 JoyRon Foundation raised a significant sum of money from fund raising events and corporate/individuals donations to finance the construction of a new swimming pool for the use of Children in Mallorca suffering from Cerebral Palsy. Fundacion JoyRon with the guidance of its own architect (who provided his services free of charge) worked in collaboration with ASPACE Balearics, the Cerebral Palsy Association of the Balearic Islands and their architect. ASPACE is a private non-profit organisation which provides a School and a Day Centre Care service for Cerebral Palsy sufferers. The aim of the project initiative was to maximize the capabilities of people with cerebral palsy in their physical, emotional, cognitive and psychosocial aspects. Hence the need for a swimming pool was considered essential, especially when we consider the Aqua therapy benefits for children with Cerebral Palsy are numerous.



Although traditional physical therapy can be immensely effective in helping children with Cerebral Palsy to move, water has the added benefit of hydrating, oxygenating and revitalising the body's musculoskeletal system. Gravitational pull is released, and weightlessness qualities are achieved. Range of movement increases and repetition, stretching and balancing is more sustainable. Additionally, the viscosity of the water provides an excellent source of resistance, which can be incorporated into an aquatic therapy program. For these reasons, we at Fundacion JoyRon are delighted to advise the Swimming Pool complex was formally opened on 23rd March 2017. We are further delighted that ASPACE decided to name the facility The JoyRon Aquatic Centre.

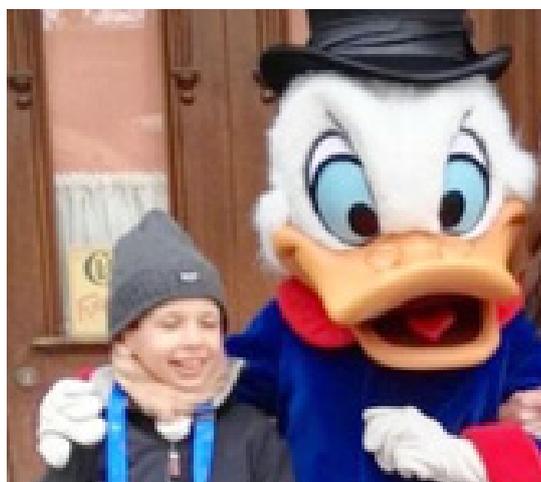
### **Provide Gifts to Children in Hospital or in Care at Christmas and Easter annually -**

JoyRon Foundation buys and obtains donated presents for the Children in Need. This year our President dressed as Father Christmas, together with a number of volunteers from JoyRon, took some 250 presents to the children in hospital and in the orphanages.



### **Under our "Grant a Wish Program" we bring a little Happiness to the Children -**

An example being we identified and a young Spanish Boy Carlos Franco a seriously ill child with an inoperable and incurable brain tumour. His wish was to visit Euro Disneyland Paris. So JoyRon Foundation organised flights, transfer to and from airport to Euro Disney, plus accommodation in the Euro Disney Park, including entrance to the park areas and all food for a five day stay for Carlos plus his mother and father.



### **Projects underway for 2018**

**Finance the construction of a Children's Cinema within Son Espases** - Following a number of meetings with the management of Son Espases Hospital, Fundacion JoyRon is in the final stages of agreeing to finance the construction of a Children's Cinema within the hospital. The cinema will screen films whilst the children are in the hospital receiving their medical treatment, this will be of great humane benefit, especially, for those children in palliative care and long term hospital stay. The children's cinema will have a capacity for some twenty children plus, that can be seated on tiered seating with bright coloured cushions and for the very small children in fun mobile seats. Children confined to wheelchairs and/or with intravenous stands will have access to the cinema. The films will be shown on a regular basis free of charge and will include premiere showings.

**Finance the construction and provide equipment for a Psychomotricity room** - within Puig des Bous a residential centre for Children in Care. This model of relational psychomotricity, provides for movement, free and spontaneous play, creativity, and security and trust. This work model enables the child to freely express their emotions, moods and concerns, in a context of physical and emotional security, with an adult that can gather everything that is happening in the psychomotricity session. Such process creates an on/going dialogue with the adult. JoyRon Foundation seeks the use of a boat, by means of donation(s), or by the gratuitous use of a boat or by a boat purchase at a substantial price reduction. The boat will be managed and operated by an authorised Boat Club who in collaboration with JoyRon Foundation will organise and provide regular free day trips to under-privileged children, , be they orphaned, in care or deprived of a social activity.

