

The Wellington £1 million Appeal is launched!

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Two 'stars' helped to launch the new Wellington £1million Appeal 2010 at London's Landmark Hotel last night (Thursday 14th January), Eurythmics singer Annie Lennox and seven year old Sam Thomas, who has Type 1 diabetes and who helped to make a film for the appeal.

And the Wellington Hospital's new charity appeal was immediately given a big donation to begin the quest for £1 million to help two deserving charities.

The British Red Cross fund supports HIV/AIDS orphans in the Kwa Zulu Natal region of South Africa and the Juvenile Diabetes Research Fund supports young people in the UK suffering from type 1 diabetes and it also funds research into the disease.

The two 'stars' each accepted £25,000 in cheques from the President and Chief Executive of HCA International (the owners of the Wellington Hospital), Mr Michael Neeb who said he couldn't think of two more deserving charities. Annie Lennox said the money would bring huge benefits for the children the charities were supporting.

Keith Hague, Chief Executive of The Wellington Hospital and Chairman of the Appeal said, "These charities do some amazing work and every pound donated will make a big difference."