

FREDERICK'S GROWTH FUND

321-829 NPO



A Guide for Funders and Partners

WHAT WE DO, WHY TIMING MATTERS, AND HOW SUPPORT IS USED.

This guide is intended to give funders, corporate partners, and individual supporters a clear picture of Frederick's Growth Fund – who we are, the medical context we work within, and how contributions are used. Our full registration and compliance information is available as a separate document on request.

About the Organisation

Frederick's Growth Fund is a South African non-profit organisation founded by a mother whose son, Frederick, was born with achondroplasia. The organisation exists to help children with achondroplasia access the first-ever pharmaceutical treatments for the condition. Our work is focused on four areas:



Raising funds to help secure access to life-changing treatment for children with achondroplasia



Supporting families as they navigate complex medical decisions and care pathways



Advocating for improved awareness of, and access to, modern therapies in South Africa and across the continent



Building a community of parents, supporters, and professionals committed to better outcomes for affected children

Why Timing Matters

In November 2021, Vosoritide (marketed as Voxzogo) became the first treatment developed specifically to address the underlying cause of achondroplasia, rather than only managing its complications. Yuviwell, a second approved therapy, followed in February 2026, with oral formulations still in development.

These treatments are only effective while a child's growth plates remain open – broadly, during childhood. Every day without access narrows the window in which a child can benefit, and delays cannot be recovered later in life.



A photo comparison (June 2024 vs June 2026) of a boy that has been participating in a trial. He has gained 17cm in height during the first 78 weeks, in addition to significant gains in arm span and lower limbs. A recent MRI shows wider spinal canal.



Visible Vosoritide results – thriving and growing.

In South Africa, the annual cost of treatment (currently in the millions per child per year for Voxzogo) is the primary barrier for most families. For many, structured funding support is the only realistic route to access.

How Funding is Used

Contributions to Frederick's Growth Fund go toward three connected areas of work:

- Treatment access – helping families reach and sustain access to approved therapies.
- Family support – guidance and resources for parents navigating diagnosis, specialists, and care pathways.
- Advocacy and awareness – working toward broader regulatory access and public understanding of achondroplasia in South Africa and across Africa.

Recurring support (through monthly giving or a corporate partnership) is particularly valuable, because it allows us to plan and commit to a family's ongoing care rather than responding only to immediate need.



Ways To Partner

Support can take a number of forms, depending on what best suits your organisation or personal giving:

- Monthly giving
- Once-off donations
- Corporate partnerships
- Payroll giving
- Matched funding
- Legacy or trust contributions



Legacy Giving

Some supporters choose to build a legacy that extends beyond a single contribution. Legacy and trust partnerships help ensure that children continue to receive support through their most critical developmental years, for years to come.

Governance and Stewardship

We are committed to responsible financial management, transparent governance, and accurate reporting. Donor intent is respected, and donor privacy is protected.

Frederick's Growth Fund is led by a Board bringing together experience in business leadership, financial management, occupational therapy, and lived experience of achondroplasia. Full board profiles are available separately on request.

Registration and Tax Status

Frederick's Growth Fund is a registered South African Non-Profit Organisation (321-829 NPO). Our Public Benefit Organisation (PBO) status and Section 18A tax-exemption has been approved by SARS, and qualifying donations are eligible for tax-deductible certificates in accordance with SARS requirements.

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In Closing

We welcome the opportunity to discuss partnership in more detail, and to answer any questions about our work, our governance, or the children and families we support.



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