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Firm in the swing for air ambulance funds



Nathan Smith, left, and Stuart Roden, with Flight Paramedic Karen Baker

Members of a Willenhall company have got into the swing of things by teeing off their fundraising campaign by raising £2,600 for the Midlands Air Ambulance through a golf day.

Workers at PRD Fasteners, based in Monner Close, have chosen the Midlands Air Ambulance as their charity for the year.

Representatives from the company recently visited the Cosford base of the air ambulance to meet the flight crew and present them with the £2,600 cheque.

Report by Andy Richardson

The majority of the money was raised through a charity golf day and auction held at Shropshire Golf Centre in December.

Nathan Smith, spokesman for PRD Fasteners, said: "I would like to thank all the staff at PRD, company groups and suppliers for generously helping to raise this magnificent sum of money for our local air ambulance service. It does a fantastic job and we couldn't think of choosing a more worth-

while charity. We were delighted to hand over the money to charity and will be looking at carrying out more fundraisers in the future."

Midlands Air Ambulance will celebrate its 18th year of service in May with a birthday party at Hagley Hall in Worcestershire, where the service was launched in 1991.

The Charity receives no Government, NHS or lottery funding and requires £5.6 million each year to ensure the life saving helicopter service continues to fly.