

Compass Group announces launch of new charitable foundation

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Compass Group, the world's largest food services group, today announces the launch of the [Compass Group Foundation](#), a new charitable foundation with a mission to improve the lives of people through education and innovation, empowering them to play a key role in the future of food for their communities.



Governed by its Board of Trustees, the Foundation provides grants to non-profit organisations in countries where Compass Group operates. Its priorities are to create inclusive job opportunities, empower local suppliers, and to provide urgent support in the case of global emergencies.

Fully aligned to Compass Group's strategic framework of People, Performance and Purpose, the Foundation will tap into Compass' existing networks and expertise, enabling charitable partnerships across the world, while amplifying the positive social and environmental impact that Compass Group already makes within its local communities.

In March of last year, the Foundation's first action was to donate £250,000 to the Disaster Emergency Committee in support of the Ukraine humanitarian emergency. Following a successful pilot in 2022, the Foundation has since provided funding to support six charitable projects in the USA, UK, Spain, Türkiye and India. Read more about these projects [here](#).

Following the devastating earthquake that hit southern Türkiye and northern Syria last week, the Foundation has pledged to donate towards the humanitarian response in the most affected regions near the earthquake epicentre, in coordination with Compass Group Türkiye.

Whilst Compass Group is the principal funder, the Foundation is an independent charity registered with the Charity Commission in England and Wales, and makes funding decisions independently from Compass Group and its businesses.

The Foundation is keen to hear from non-profit organisations who are doing great work to create inclusive job opportunities or support small suppliers in the food industry. Organisations are encouraged to get in touch by completing the contact form on the Foundation website, accessible at www.compassgroupfoundation.org.

Dominic Blakemore, Group Chief Executive Officer of Compass Group PLC, said: “We are fortunate to be part of a purpose-led business that can make such a positive impact in the world. The Compass Group Foundation will amplify this impact on a truly global scale, leveraging our skills, expertise, and volunteers to improve lives through education and innovation, while empowering communities to play a key role in the future of food.

“Thank you to everyone involved in our launch in London last month, attended by our clients, charity partners, colleagues, and suppliers. The sense of excitement and possibility was remarkable, and I have no doubt the Foundation’s legacy will be felt for decades to come.”

Robin Mills, Chair of the Board of Trustees for the Compass Group Foundation, and Managing Director of Compass Group UK & Ireland, added: “The Compass Group Foundation is committed to working collaboratively with its charity partners to deliver real impact for some of the world’s most disadvantaged groups. The Foundation is already making a difference, amplifying the positive social and environmental impact that Compass Group makes for local communities. We look forward to transforming even more lives throughout 2023 and beyond.”

For more information, please head to www.compassgroupfoundation.org or [watch these videos](#) to learn more about the projects the Foundation is already supporting.

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