

Drug, Alcohol & DNA testing that gives back

Rachel Davenport, Co-founder and Director at AlphaBiolabs, reflects on how the company's Giving Back ethos continues to make a difference to communities across the UK.



For over 20 years we've provided UKAS-accredited Drug, Alcohol and DNA testing services for family law professionals and local authorities across the country, delivering evidence to support critical decisions - often involving care proceedings or safeguarding matters.

But our commitment to excellence doesn't end in the laboratory. Behind every instruction lies a story – often involving families in crisis or children at risk. It's this deeper understanding of the human impact behind our work that drives our ongoing commitment to give back to the communities we serve.

Measurable impact, meaningful change

Since the introduction of the Public Services (Social Value) Act 2012, public sector suppliers have been increasingly called upon to demonstrate how their work delivers tangible benefits to local communities.

For AlphaBiolabs, this commitment to social value is embedded not just in policy, but in practice.

In recent years, we've donated over £65k to charitable causes via our Giving Back campaign – and throughout 2025, we've continued to support causes close to the hearts of our customers.

Every two months, we randomly select a legal customer to nominate a charity of their choice to receive a £500 donation from

AlphaBiolabs – a simple but powerful way to ensure our work has a direct, positive impact beyond the courtroom.

This year's nominated charities have included a wide range of causes, from organisations that support people affected by cancer, to children's hospice care, survivors of domestic abuse, community development, and men's mental health. For example:

- ▶ In July, Nottinghamshire Women's Aid was nominated to receive a Giving Back donation.
"Contributions like this enable us to keep our refuges open and extend vital community outreach to people experiencing domestic abuse across North Nottinghamshire,"
 – Mandy Green, Head of Service.
- ▶ In September, the donation went to RAY Ceredigion, in west Wales.
"As a small grassroots charity, every contribution makes a real difference, and helps us to continue providing vital play, learning and community opportunities for people across Ceredigion,"
 – Gill Byrne, Executive Officer.
- ▶ And in November, Sean's Place, a men's mental health charity based in Liverpool, was the recipient.
"This support helps us continue offering free, tailored mental health programmes for men across Sefton and Liverpool,"
 – Debbie Rogers, Founder and CEO.

A year-round commitment to giving

But our Giving Back ethos extends far beyond this particular campaign. Throughout 2025, our monthly employee charity draw has continued to empower colleagues to support causes close to their hearts, with donations made to local organisations including Young Persons Advisory Service, KIND, and Merseyside Domestic Violence Service.

Plus, this Christmas, we'll once again be giving back to a number of charities that support vulnerable children and families – from Comfort Cases, which supplies essentials to children entering care, to Cash for Kids' Mission Christmas toy drive, as well as numerous Trussell food banks across the UK.

Social value and family law

Our work within family law reminds us daily of the human stories behind every test.

That's why social value isn't just something we talk about – it's something we live and breathe. When you instruct AlphaBiolabs, you're choosing more than a testing provider. You're choosing a partner that shares your commitment to supporting vulnerable people and local communities.

Our New Enquiry team is always on hand to provide guidance and advice tailored to your case. And with our Price Promise, we'll beat any like-for-like quote by 10%. Plus, every instruction automatically enters your name into our next Giving Back draw, for the chance to support a charity that is close to your heart.

For more information, contact our New Enquiry team on 0333 600 1300 / testing@alphabiolabs.com or complete our online quote form at www.alphabiolabs.co.uk/legal-test-forms/.

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Since establishing the UK's leading Drug, Alcohol & DNA testing laboratory in 2004, Rachel has continued to ensure that the wide range of services offered by AlphaBiolabs remain at the forefront of innovation and value, supporting family law professionals, social workers, and local authorities with court-approved testing solutions for family law cases.

