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## The Albert Hall receives a share of almost £10,000 raised by Co-Op shoppers!

Mid Wales' Oldest Theatre is celebrating after members who shop at Builth Wells' two Co-op stores have helped raise nearly £10,000 for three local organisations. The Albert Hall was lucky enough to be selected to receive a share, of just over £2,000.

The money is raised by Co-op members when they buy selected own-brand products and services. The grand total raised from Co-op shoppers was an amazing £8,215. All three received a slightly different share of that amount, depending on how many people chose them in the scheme, with the community venue receiving £2353.02.

The theatre, which is run by a small volunteer group, and is a registered charity, will use the funds to make improvements to their meeting room, and smaller function space, The Lesser Hall.

"We are planning to purchase an interactive screen for our multi-use room, The Lesser Hall." Said a spokesperson from The Albert Hall. "By having this equipment, our spaces will be more useable by members of our local, and wider community, and we can put on more community events within this beautiful building." "We would like to thank Co-Op for the opportunity to feature in this fantastic scheme, and more importantly, we'd like to thank the Co-Op shoppers that selected us as their charity."

Helen Tuite, member pioneer for the Co-op in Builth, said: "We are delighted that so much was raised from our members' contributions. Those pennies really do add up."

Rebecca Birkbeck, director of community and member participation at Co-op, said: "We know that the cost-of-living crisis is making it incredibly challenging for many local causes. Our Local Community Fund promotes the development of stronger, more resilient, and fairer communities. Our community groups and local organisations are providing valuable services and support to people at a



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time when they need it most. Our Co-op membership is a powerful way for people to make a difference simply by shopping at Co-op.”

You can find out more about The Albert Hall on it's website, <https://thealberthall.co.uk>

