

VOLUNTARY ACTION ANGUS WEEKLY BULLETIN

NEW DAYTIME ESOL CLASS IN ARBROATH

Mondays 10:00 - 13:00

**НОВЫЙ ДНЕВНОЙ КУРС
ОБУЧЕНИЯ АНГЛИЙСКОМУ ЯЗЫКУ
(ESOL) В ARBROATH**

каждый понедельник 10:00 - 13:00

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ARBROATH**

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We are now running a drop-in daytime ESOL class at OB's café in the Westport.

Come along and improve your English with an experienced tutor on a one-to-one basis.

Refreshments available. Friendly atmosphere. Advice and help available.

Anybody who can help translate welcome too!

No need to book - just come along!

Limited childcare available

Volunteering Training Calendar for the Third Sector

Adult Protection

Friday 17th March TBC
St Andrews Church
Hamilton Green, Arbroath

Heart Start

Tuesday 2nd May
10am—12 noon, VAA Forfar

Wednesday 31st May
10am—12noon, VAA Forfar

Dementia Friends

Friday 28th April
10am—11.30am, VAA Forfar

Friday 2nd June
10am—11.30am, VAA Arbroath

Exits and Endings

Wednesday 22nd March
10am—12noon, VAA Forfar

Manual Handling Awareness

Tuesday 28th March
2pm—4pm, VAA Forfar

For further information or to book a place please contact

Dawn Stewart at
dawn@voluntaryactionangus.org.uk
or telephone 01241 875525



Social Enterprise— Start Up On a one to one drop in

You're invited to our drop in sessions to explore ways to develop an idea and about creating a social enterprise.

Our staff have expertise in the following:

- Introduction to social enterprise
- Overview of legal structures available to social enterprises
- Creating cash flow projections
- Advertisement and Marketing
- Payroll Guidance
- Independent Examination



Voluntary Action -ANGUS

In
Voluntary Action Angus
32-34 Guthrie Port
Arbroath
DD11 1RN

In
Voluntary Action Angus
1-3 St James Road
Forfar
DD8 2AQ

Between 10-12 Noon
on
Tuesday 28th February
Tuesday 7th March
Tuesday 14th March
Tuesday 21st March
Tuesday 28th March

Between 10-12noon
on
Friday 3rd March
Friday 10th March
Friday 17th March
Friday 24th March
Friday 31st March

**For more information please
phone 01241 875525 and ask for Ben or email
ben@voluntaryactionangus.org.uk**

Deaf Links

TARTAN

Saturday
26 August
arrive 7pm

Glamour Ball
sparkling reception • 3 course meal
• dancing & music • raffle •

West Park Conference Centre, 319 Perth Road,
Dundee, DD2 1NN

early bird tickets: £36 or table of 10 £350
(offer ends 30th June)

tickets after 30th June £40 or table of 10 £390

for more information, including sponsorship
deals, email Vikki@deaflinks.org.uk

TCA are running a service promotion lunchtime event open to all on Friday 14TH April 2017 between 1-2 pm at The Wishart, TCA HQ, Dundee- Find out about TCA and what we offer-

- 1:1 counselling support for clients who have issues with –Alcohol, Gambling, NPS, Cocaine and those affected by another's use.
- Support groups for adults and young persons
- Befriending mentoring
- Training
- Volunteering

Please inform **Madge Thornton** by e-mail or phone (details below) of your intention to attend
Telephone: 01382 456012 e-mail - marjory.thornton@alcoholtayside.com

Clear Pathway



Voluntary Health Scotland, who deliver the Clear Pathway project, are seeking views from third sector organisations who engage volunteers in NHS settings.

The survey forms part of their engagement with NHS Boards and third sector organisations with the intention of producing guidance. It follows on from the earlier interviews with staff from NHS Boards.

If you are a third sector organisation that operates in an NHS setting, and would like to share your views, please follow this link to take part in the survey:
www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/clearpathway

Scottish Rural Action aims to be a powerful voice for the people of rural Scotland and can provide support and direction for individuals/communities to volunteer with us and campaign on local and national issues affecting rural Scotland.



We are currently seeking volunteers from across Scotland who live rurally and would like to campaign on issues of greatest importance in Scotland, as well as campaigning on issues identified by themselves locally. SRA has consulted over 1500 people across rural Scotland to identify key areas for prioritising in 2017/18 as Digital Connectivity (Broadband and Mobile signal), Transport, Land, Business and Democracy and Governance.

To equip volunteers with the skills and knowledge required for campaigning, SRA are running a free two-day workshop 'How to develop a rural campaign' which is open to SRA members over the age of 16. Membership can be applied for prior to the training and is free of charge. Participants will go on to support the work of Scottish Rural Action in campaigning on the issues of greatest importance to rural Scotland, as well as leading their own campaigns.

For more information, please contact Fiona Thompson, Volunteering & Campaigns Coordinator on fiona@scottishruralparliament.org.uk 079388 907767

An Introduction to Kinship Care:

Free training workshop

Following the success of similar events, the Citizens Advice Scotland Kinship Care Service is again offering its half-day Introduction to Kinship Care training workshop.

Aimed at local authority officers who are involved in the development or implementation of their local authority's kinship care services, and Citizens Advice Bureau advisers who respond to enquiries from kinship carers, the session provides a general introduction to the subject of kinship care. It is designed for those who are new to this area of policy and practice or who want to brush up on the basics.

This session also offers an opportunity to network and build links between local authority officers and Citizens Advice Bureaux advisers.

Registration:

To register, or for all other enquiries, please contact Gill Westwood at gill.westwood@cas.org.uk or on 0131 550 1054. Please provide the following details:

- Name
- Job title
- Local Authority
- Contact phone and e-mail
- Any other requirements

Booking closes Monday 20 March 2017

Previous events have been significantly oversubscribed, so places will initially be limited to one per local authority and offered to participants who have not previously attended this introductory session.

When Thursday 30 March 2017,
9.30 am
Where Mc Lean Room, Eden Court
Theatre, Inverness
Cost FREE

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The Greggs Foundation's Environmental Grants scheme has opened the second of two application rounds to applications from not-for-profit organisations and schools in Great Britain. Using money from the 5p levy on carrier bag sales in Greggs shops, the Greggs Foundation set up the Environmental Grants scheme which aims to improve people's lives by improving the environment. The programme is administered by seven charity committees throughout England, Scotland and Wales. Organisations may only apply once per calendar year for this funding.

Grants of up to £2,000 are available for projects that deliver a real benefit to the environment.

Priority will be given to projects which include one or more of the following:

- Improving the local environment.
- Insuring involvement of local communities.
- Delivering a sustainable and measurable difference.
- Supporting people in need.

The funding can be used to cover the purchase of equipment, sessional salary costs, purchase of trees/plants, small capital projects and learning activities.

The Greggs Foundation is also interested in new approaches and innovative ideas as well as sustainable approaches to supporting local environments.

Not-for-profit organisations with a turnover of £300,000 or less as well as schools in England, Scotland and Wales can apply. Organisations that are based near Greggs shops will be given priority. **The deadline for Round 2 applications is 24 June 2017.**

Visit: <https://www.greggsfoundation.org.uk/environmental-grant>

Scotland's Community Capacity and Resilience Fund to Get a Further £1.9m Investment

The Community Capacity and Resilience Fund has secured a further £1.9 million of funding to help local third sector groups and organisations across Scotland tackle poverty and mitigate against UK government welfare changes.

The Community Capacity and Resilience Fund is provided by the Scottish Government and administered by the Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations (SCVO). This scheme aims to increase the capacity and resilience of communities and local VCSE organisations to tackle poverty and mitigate against UK government welfare changes.

Scottish Government Cabinet Secretary for Communities, Social Security and Equalities, Angela Constance, announced last month that a further £1.9 million of funding will be distributed through the third phase of the fund between 2017 and 2020.

The new funding is intended to build upon the work developed by SCVO, Development Trusts Associations Scotland and the Scottish Community Alliance to ensure those who are working at the local level can deliver direct support to communities.

Groups that would like to register their initial interest can do so by sending an email to capacity@scvo.org.uk or by calling Irene Connelly on 0141 465 7537. **Phase three of the Community Capacity and Resilience Fund is expected to open in Autumn 2017.**

Visit: <http://www.scvo.org.uk/running-your-organisation/funding/capacity-resilience-fund/>

Big Lottery Fund Merges Investing in Ideas with Awards for All – Scotland

Voluntary and community organisations, schools, community councils and statutory bodies in Scotland have until 31 March 2017 to submit an application to the Investing in Ideas grants programme before it is merged with Awards for All.

The Big Lottery Fund Scotland is closing its Investing in Ideas Grants programme to applications on 31 March 2017 as part of its work to create one streamlined small grants option for applicants.

However, all of the same funding will still be available through the Big Lottery Fund's {Awards for All - Scotland} programme.

Grants of between £500 and £10,000 are available to enable organisations of all sizes to improve their skills and knowledge to: Think differently about how a service is delivered.; Help them to design and test new projects or better ways of working. Grants can support organisations to:

- Assess the need for an idea and/or investigate the work of others to inform the development of an idea.
- Work up an idea and/or strengthen the organisation to make the idea a reality.
- Test out an idea to see if it works.
- Support the sustainability of a project or organisation by sharing the organisation's work and knowledge with others to pursue new avenues in the future.

Applicants should be at the very early stages of developing an idea and not be ready to apply for larger grant funding.

Ideas should meet one or more of the following outcomes:

- People have better chances in life – for example, by trying out new activities, volunteering, learning new skills or playing a more active role in their community.
- Communities are safer, stronger and more able to work together to tackle inequalities – for example, by enabling different communities or younger and older people to tackle common issues together.
- People have better and more sustainable services and environments – for example, by improving community spaces or increasing recycling.
- People and communities are healthier – for example, by enabling more people to take part in activities that improve their health and wellbeing, or encouraging healthy eating.

The funding is open to voluntary and community organisations, schools, community councils and statutory bodies that are based and working in Scotland. **The final deadline for applications is 31 March 2017, after which groups should apply to the Awards for All programme.** Visit: <https://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/global-content/programmes/scotland/investing-in-ideas>

Greggs Foundation's Local Community Projects Fund Invites GB Applications

The Greggs Foundation offers grants to not-for-profit organisations based in local communities in England, Scotland and Wales to deliver projects or provide equipment to people in need at the heart of their local communities.

The Local Community Projects Fund helps not-for-profit organisations based in local communities to deliver projects or provide equipment to people in need at the heart of local communities in England, Scotland and Wales. Preference is likely to be given to local organisations based near a Greggs shop.

Grants of up to £2,000 are available for projects or for providing equipment for 'a community of interest'. For list of eligible projects visit website. The funding is for projects that improve resilience within a community of interest and can include sessional activities/ respite support, equipment for sessional activities, trips and residential breaks.

The Foundation is also interested in new approaches and innovative ideas as well as sustainable approaches to supporting the community of interest.

Eligible projects should also be able to demonstrate that they have achieved at least one of the following Key Performance Targets for their beneficiaries:

The Local Community Projects Fund is administered by seven charity committees throughout Great Britain.

This is a highly competitive grant scheme with only 30% of eligible applicants receiving funding in 2016.

There are two funding rounds per year. **The deadline for round two applications is 24 June 2017**

For further information visit: <https://www.greggsfoundation.org.uk/grants/local-community-projects-fund>

Title of Post: Project Assistant
Salary: £9405 - £9929 (per annum)
£18,810 - £19,857 (per annum Full Time Equiva-

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Salary info: 17.5 hours per week
Job Type: Part Time – fixed term
Duration: 3 years
Location: Dundee

Role: RockSolid Dundee is looking for an enthusiastic and experienced Project Assistant to:

- To coordinate the smooth running of the office to ensure we have the infrastructure to deliver high quality youth work provision.
- To provide administration support to the team and ensure all records and budgets are kept up to date.
- To provide effective communication internally and externally including updating website and social media accounts.

The post is a fixed term three year contract and is funded by Big Lottery Fund

Title of Post: Senior Youth Worker
Salary: £24459 – 26235 per annum
Salary info: 35 hours per week
Job Type: Full Time
Duration: 3 year – fixed term
Location: Dundee



Role: RockSolid Dundee is looking for an enthusiastic and experienced Senior Youth Worker to:

- To support the development of sustainable weekend youth provision focusing on Creative Arts, Drama and Sports.
- Encourage inclusion and equality by supporting young people to address barriers inhibiting their participation
- Develop a programme of activities in partnership with young people and other service providers

The post is a fixed term three year contract and is funded by the Big Lottery Fund:

Title of Post: Youth Bank Coordinator
Salary: £22257 -£23697 p/a
Salary info: 35 hours per week
Job Type: Full Time
Duration: 3 years – fixed term
Location: East End, Dundee



Role: RockSolid Dundee is looking for an enthusiastic and inspiring candidate to develop the new role of Youth Bank Coordinator to:

- To coordinate and support young people to set up, develop and maintain a YouthBank.
- Encourage inclusion and equality by supporting young people to address barriers inhibiting their participation
- To support young people to promote the project and identify the priorities in their local community that they will support.

The post is a fixed term three year contract and is funded by Big Lottery Fund:

For more information or to request an application pack please contact Audrey Thomson at audrey@rocksolid.org.uk or by telephone on 01382 732322. We will arrange induction, training and on-going support – all successful applicants will be required to undertake a PVG Disclosure.

Closing date for applications is: Friday 7th April at 5pm
Shortlisting will take place: Week beginning 17th April

Interviews will take place: Week beginning 24th April

We anticipate interviews will last approximately 45 minutes and will consist of a short assessment and questions from our panel

The Wise Group is currently developing bids for the Fair Start Scotland contract and is looking for partners in the following Contract Package Areas (CPAs): Glasgow, Tayside (Angus, Dundee and Perth and Kinross), and Forth Valley (Stirling, Falkirk and Clackmannanshire).

Fair Start Scotland is the Scottish Government's new Employability Support Service which will commence from 3rd April 2018 and will follow the one year transitional programmes which start in April 2017, Work Able Scotland and Work First Scotland. More information can be found on Public Contracts Scotland: http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/show/search_view.aspx?ID=MAR276183



Last year we were successful in our bid to deliver two out of four of the Work Able Scotland Contract Package Areas (CPAs) – in Glasgow, Lanarkshire and East Dunbartonshire and Forth Valley, Fife and Tayside.

Please complete the expression of interest available for download at www.thewisegroup.co.uk/fair-start and submit electronically by 12pm on Monday 27th March to partnership@thewisegroup.co.uk alongside documentation confirming your insurance levels (Employer's Liability, Public Liability and Professional Indemnity) and your last three years' audited annual accounts.

Intergenerational National Network Tenth anniversary celebration

When: 21 March 2017

Where: Town House, Town & County Hall, Aberdeen

**For more information or to get involved contact
Pat Scrutton on: patscrutton247@gmail.com
Click here to book your place**

[http://intergenerational-national-network.eventbrite.co.uk/?s=74325009](http://intergenerational-national-network.eventbrite.co.uk?s=74325009)

Energy Best Deal is a campaign designed to facilitate consumers to save money by finding the best deal for them.

Angus CAB is now offering *free training* to frontline workers and people who are in, or at risk of, fuel poverty.

Each session contains practical tips about ways to save money on gas and electricity, explore changing supplier, smart meters and grants available for energy efficiency measures.

Angus CAB also offers *individual appointments* with an energy specialist to assist with taking action to reduce fuel costs, explore grants for energy efficiency measures and ensure income maximisation.

To arrange a training session or appointment, please telephone Louise, Gael or Eileen on 01241 870661 ext 234 or 227.

Hear Me

We are recruiting volunteers now!

Counsellors
Trustees—Board Members
Volunteer Coordinator
Finance worker

Are you interested in joining a fun, dedicated and dynamic team? Can commit to 4 hours per week?
Have experience in any of the above roles?

For more information and an application pack please contact Carol on 01307 850741 or email hearme@btconnect.com

ORGANISATION BACKGROUND - **Hear Me** is a registered Scottish Charity, established in June 2013. Providing specialised counselling and support in Angus for men, women and children (aged 8+) who have either recently, or in the past, been sexually abused. You can also find us on the web at <http://www.hearmecounselling.com>

THE WEB PROJECT

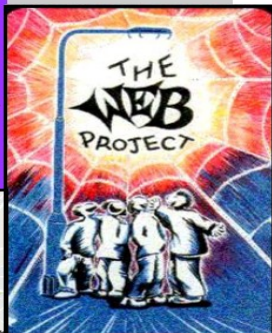


DROP IN FRIDAY'S 3 - 5PM

Come on down to see us for all your **Sexual Health, Drugs and Alcohol** advice/support.

We provide a confidential service where young people aged 10—25 can access **FREE** condoms, **PREGNANCY** testing and **STI** testing in a relaxed welcoming environment with the friendliest of faces!

Find us at 29B
CANMORE
STREET
FORFAR
01307 460101



SELF-DIRECTED SUPPORT (SDS) & SHORT BREAKS DROP IN

WHEN
Monday 20th March
2pm to 7pm

WHERE
Mobile Library
Edzell, Kirkton of Menmuir, Noranside, Memus, Tannadice,
Waterston Road and Milton of Finavon

Lesley Simpson – Angus Carers Centre · Fiona Bridges –
Angus Independent Advocacy · Will be there to answer
your questions, pop in and say hello.



SDS
Find out how Advocacy can support you with SDS. How SDS can help you live an independent life and be in control of your care

SHORT BREAKS
If you care for someone come and have a chat about the right short break for you – information available on funding, care providers and more

CANT MAKE IT?
Other dates: Brechin community campus on 23rd March 11am - 2pm & Montrose Library on 27th April 10am - 1pm



Angus Independent Advocacy

Angus Long Term Condition Support Group

hosts four meetings monthly in four different locality areas.
All are welcome to attend and there is a £1 admission charge

27th March	Montrose Links Medical Centre	2 - 4pm	Citizen Advocacy	Heather McMaster
28th March	Edzell Health Centre	2 - 4pm	Fire & Rescue	Judi Young
29th March	Carnoustie Parkview Medical Centre	2 - 4pm	Citizen Advocacy	Fiona Bridges
31st March	Forfar Academy Health Centre	4 - 6pm	Councillor Work	Cll Lynne Devine

Volunteers urgently needed!

Voluntary Action Angus are always looking to recruit volunteers in all areas of Angus for 100's of varied opportunities to help in your local communities.

If you would be interested in becoming a Volunteer please get in contact by phone on: 01307 466113 or 01241 875525 or alternatively by email at info@voluntaryactionangus.org.uk or search online www.voluntaryactionangus.org.uk

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If you have anything you would like to add to next weeks bulletin please contact Hayley by email to info@voluntaryactionangus.org.uk or alternatively by phone on 01241 875525



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