

Voluntary Action Angus

Weekly Bulletin

15th March

Voluntary Action  **ANGUS**


Third Sector Interface



This weeks content covers:

Getting to know VAA event!
Floodmobile - Angus Roadshow
New Forfar Grief Cafe
Funding
New volunteering opportunities
Available support and information

We hope you enjoy reading some of the latest information and updates from the third sector, across Angus in this weeks Voluntary Action Angus TSI bulletin.



VOLUNTARY ACTION ANGUS

Voluntary Action Angus: Our role as Third Sector Interface event

It has been identified that the role and remit of Voluntary Action Angus as the Third Sector Interface for Angus, is not as clear as we would like it to be. This causes confusion and impacts effective signposting, referrals, and engagement with wider third sector services, partnership working and other related aspects of TSI remit.

As budgets continue to reduce and services are feeling the strain, any lack of clarity in the role of a TSI risks unnecessary duplication of cross sector workstreams. We would like to invite you to an event focussing on “Our role as Angus Third Sector Interface” to support closing this gap in knowledge and enable better working relationships and better outcomes for our communities as a result.



The event will cover:

- Explore the wider third sector
- Listen to informative presentations
- Hear from a guest speaker
- Participate in Table Talks with the VAA team!

If you work within the public or third sector, this event is for you.

Where and when?

Tuesday 23 April from 9.30am-2.30pm at Reid Hall, Forfar

Find out more and sign up [here](#).

Angus Third Sector Exhibition (for third sector organisations):

Is your organisation a third sector service provider? Would you like to showcase your organisation to a range of leads and professionals working across sectors within Angus?

A dedicated space will be provided at the event for an exhibition of Third Sector displays and promotional materials.

Find out more and register your organisation [here](#).

Website and Angus Community Connector announcement!

NEW-LOOK WEBSITE!



NEW APP!

Following the exciting announcement of an upcoming launch of our revamped website and Angus Community Connector, we would like to inform you that the Voluntary Action Angus website will be down from Tuesday 19th March for a few days. This is to allow for some maintenance to take place in preparation for the launch.

We apologise for any inconvenience that this may cause. We look forward to sharing our new Voluntary Action Angus website and the Angus Community Connector with you very soon!

ANGUS ALCOHOL AND DRUGS PARTNERSHIP

Support for Families

Do you have experience with loved ones' alcohol or drug use?
Have you experienced a lack of support?

We want to hear your story so we can make a difference for families in Angus. We have created a group to increase support for families - 'for families by families'.

To find out more please contact:

Debra - debra@sfad.org.uk or **07379 830357**

Mark - mark@angusindadvocacy.org or **07546 951879**

Maureen - mcginlaym@angus.gov.uk or **07469 918428**



ANGUS COUNCIL

Floodmobile - Angus Roadshow



Come and find out how to protect your home and property at risk of flooding.

We will have partners from Flood Mary, Scottish Flood Forum, SSEN, Fire Service who can support and advise you and showcase flood protection tips, ideas and equipment.

Where and when?

- Monday 18th March from 12pm-7pm at Forfar Guide Hall, Myre Car Park
- Tuesday 19th March from 12pm-7pm at Glebe Park, Brechin
- Wednesday 20th March from 12pm-7pm at Birkhill Millenium Hall, Birkhill
- Thursday 21st March from 10am-4pm at Madisons Cafe at Links Parade, Carnoustie

The events are free to attend and no appointments are needed.

FORFAR GRIEF CAFE

New grief cafe coming soon

This is a space in Forfar for those 16+ to talk about bereavement.

Where and when?

Doors open on Monday 15th April from 7pm-8.30pm at Forfar Guide Centre, The Myre, Forfar.

For more information email Cindy at cindy.morris@coop.co.uk



FORFAR GRIEF CAFE

Peer Support...
People Supporting
Each Other

Time Space Compassion...to talk about bereavement.
Open door on...

Monday 15th April 7.00pm - 8.30pm

Forfar Guide Centre
The Myre
Forfar
DD8 1AZ

16yrs plus
(and no longer
in school education)



ANGUS COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP

Addressing Child Poverty & Inequalities - a Whole Systems Approach to Health & Wellbeing Workshop 2

Angus Community Planning Partnership's Bright Futures working group are aspiring to work alongside children, young people and families to join up working and help deliver sustainable change.

We would like to invite you to join us at our Addressing Child Poverty & Inequalities - a Whole Systems Approach to Health & Wellbeing Workshop 2

This workshop is the next in the series and will focus on:

- Highlighting the key themes and outputs from the Whole Systems Approach to date
- Appraising current activity / local levers related to health and wellbeing for infants, children & Young People in Angus
- Agreeing and prioritising the most impactful, synergistic and collective actions that are needed across organisations
- Showcasing current Angus-based infants, children & Young People projects and activities
- Considering how we act together as prevention champions to invest in the building blocks of a healthy society for people, place & economy

Where and when?

Thursday 28th March from 9.30am-3pm at D& A college, Enterprise Centre, Esk Building, Arbroath.

Find out more and sign up **here**.



VIBRANT COMMUNITIES

The Volunteer Skills Award

Delivery can be flexible to suit the needs of individuals or groups and adapted to take into account whether candidates already volunteer or are new to volunteering.

The Volunteering Skills Award is open to learners of any age.

Each Award has three mandatory units

- Preparing to Volunteer
- Volunteering Experience
- Volunteering: Investigative Project SCQF Levels 3,4 or 5



Where and when?

The course is delivered in the Community Lounge in Arbroath Academy on Wednesdays from 1pm-2.30pm

For more information call **01241 464628** or email **BSCommunities@angus.gov.uk**

ANGUS TOURISM COOPERATIVE

Overnight Motorhome Provision Grant Scheme

The Motorhome Facilities (Aires) Feasibility Grant Scheme 2024 is available to businesses and voluntary organisations to support the launch of new overnight stopover (Aires) facilities for Motorhomes across Angus.

The grant is available to support the feasibility and/or design associated with the setup an Aires site. It can be used towards design works and preparation of relevant plans, surveys or technical feasibility reports to support any planning application (if required), or to explore what additional facilities you may wish to provide as part of any Aire.

Applications close **Friday 22 March**.

Find out more **here**.



SCOTTISH RECOVERY NETWORK

The Future is Peer - Live on Air

Tune in and take part from your computer, tablet or mobile phone as we continue to celebrate the power of peer support with this interactive online version of The Future is Peer event!

Our in-person version of this event sold out in just 24 hours. This digital opportunity means lots more people can come together to celebrate and champion peer support!

Some of the things the event will cover:

- Peer Support in Action! – fantastic groups and organisations from across the country tell us about their peer support work
- First access to a short film from Maree Todd, Minister for Social Care, Mental Wellbeing at Scottish Government
- First access to a film of Mel Ball, Director of Lived Experience at Midlands University NHS Partnership Trust, sharing learning on why and how they developed a peer workforce

This event is for:

- People involved in developing, managing and delivering peer support including peer workers and volunteers.
- Those involved in mental health and wellbeing strategy development and implementation at national and local level
- Mental health service providers and Health and Social Care Partnership service commissioners

When?

Wednesday 20th March from 11am-4pm

Find more information and sign up [here](#).



TAY CITIES REGION DEAL

Digital Skills Third Sector Challenge Fund

The Digital Skills Project is inviting proposals to help support individuals access digital skills training and support businesses to address their skills needs.

The Digital Skills Third Sector Challenge Fund is for new and innovative pilot programmes, activities, or initiatives to address the digital skills gap in the Tay Cities Region. Funding is available for third sector organisations from £5,000 up to the value of £45,000 to deliver digital skills training taking place between April 2024 – September 2025.

Applications close on **Sunday 17th March**.

Find out more and apply [here](#).



THE POVERTY AND INEQUALITY COMMISSION

Experts By Experience Panel

The Poverty and Inequality Commission is recruiting a group of 15 – 20 people based across Scotland who have current or recent experience of poverty. The group will work with us to tell Scottish Government what is working, what isn't working and what can be done better for people experiencing poverty in Scotland.

The Panel will meet online once every 6 weeks. People will receive vouchers for taking part in Panel activities, all expenses related to participation (childcare, transport etc.) will be covered for any in-person activities, and devices/internet can be provided.

If you are interested or would like more information, email Orlaith at Orlaith.mcaree@povertyinequality.scot or call **07385 226112**.



TAYSIDE COUNCIL ON ALCOHOL

We are looking for a Finance Assistant!

We are looking for a Finance Assistant to support the Finance & Governance Officer in the efficient running of the Finance Department. The preparation and analysis of all financial information, including monthly accounts. Responsible for the processing of accounts payable and accounts receivable invoices accurately and timeously.

Location: The base for this post is The Wishart,
50 Constable Street, Dundee DD4 6AD

Hours: 14 hours per week

Salary: £10,628.80 per annum

Find out more and apply **here**.



AWARE

Virtual Information session

Supporting children and young people with their experience of domestic abuse.

Join us to find out who we are, what we do and how to refer a child or young person into our service.

When?

Tuesday 26th March at 4pm.

To book your place contact Maxine at
maxine@anguswomensaid.co.uk



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ABILITYNET

Tech Volunteer needed!



Do you have a passion for the power of technology?

As an AbilityNet Tech volunteer you can help unleash the power of technology to ensure that older people and disabled people are not excluded from the digital world.

Find out more and apply **here**.

GOODCALL MOBILE CIC

We are looking for a Director of CIC

We are a Community Interest Company on a mission to reduce the digital inequality for charities, social enterprises, and community groups.

We are looking for two Volunteer Directors to join the team. Do you share our passion for digital equality in the third sector? This role might be for you!

Find out more and apply **here**.



SUBMITTING YOUR CONTENT

Would you like something added to next weeks bulletin? If so, send your submission to Laura@voluntaryactionangus.org.uk by **5pm on Wednesday 20th March.**

CATCH UP WITH OLDER CONTENT

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