Voluntary Action Angus Weekly Bulletin

26th April



Third Sector Interface

This weeks content covers:

'Getting to Know VAA' event
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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

'Getting to Know Voluntary Action Angus' event

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our 'Getting to Know Voluntary Action Angus' event at the Reid Hall in Forfar. It was certainly a busy day, filled with lots of information and discussion!

A big thanks to the 50+ organisations and community groups who contributed to the Third Sector Exhibition on display, and to The Hub @ Friockheim, who provided fantastic catering for our 90+ attendees.

We also want to express our huge gratitude to Anna Fowlie, Chief Executive of SCVO for joining us at the event and providing great insight from a national perspective. Thanks also to our Chairs of Angus Third Sector Collaborative.

View photos from the event here.

If you would like to find out more about Voluntary Action Angus, our role as TSI or information about any of our exhibitors and guest speaker topics, please do email us at info@voluntaryactionangus.org.uk or call 01307 466113.



Arbroath Timebanking Consultation

Timebanking brings people together to share their time and skills. One hour of your help earns one hour of help from someone else – whenever you need it.

Voluntary Action Angus, in partnership with Angus Council Vibrant Communities Team, would like to know whether you have heard about timebanking before, and whether you would be interested in taking part in one in Arbroath.

Visit us at one of the drop-ins (view the dates **here**) or complete a quick online survey to express your views **here**.

For more information, please email Colleen Allwood at colleen@voluntaryactionangus.org.uk or Mhairi Dickson at dicksonm@angus.gov.uk





Shoutout on behalf of Coastline Quilters

Are you a sewing or crafting community-based group in Angus or are you an organisation which runs a regular crafting session? Are you looking for more fabric for the group?

Coastline Quilters, a quilting group in Angus has an over-supply of quilting fabric which they would like to share with a similar group or organisation.

If you would like more information please contact Colleen, one of VAA's locality workers at colleen@voluntaryactionangus.org.uk



GRACE CHOCOLATES

Health and Wellbeing Sessions

Join us for transformative health and wellbeing sessions this April!

Our health and wellbeing programme has a new block of online sessions starting on 30th April.

This service is suitable for any woman who has had direct experience of the Justice System - whether this is currently or in the past.

Find out more about the sessions and when they are **here**.

For more information or to book a place, email susie@gracechocolates.co.uk

FAMILIES OUTSIDE

Stronger Together



Stronger Together is a free event for family members affected by imprisonment, invited by professionals and the Families Outside team.

It is an opportunity to gather in a safe and friendly space, to connect, learn and have fun!

Where and when?

Saturday 8th June at Strathclyde Technology and Innovation Centre, Glasgow from 10am-3.30pm

If you have been affected by another person's imprisonment in Scotland, this event is for you.

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

MARIE CURIE

A right to palliative care in Scotlandhave your say

There is currently significant unmet palliative care need across local populations, meaning a large proportion of people die without some or all of the palliative support they need, despite the fact 90% of people who die in Scotland each year would benefit from it.

A legal right to palliative care would work towards eliminating this unmet need, by people of all ages living with terminal illness(es) residing in Scotland having equitable access to the palliative support which is right for them, when they need it.

A proposal for a Members Bill for a right to palliative care, being led by Miles Briggs MSP, with cross-party support from Bob Doris MSP and Rhoda Grant MSP has been launched, and a public consultation is open until 4th June 2024 and we want to hear your views.

Find more information here.

THE ROBERTSON TRUST

Sharpening the focus of Our Funds



Later this year, The Robertson Trust will be making changes to the structure of its funding programmes. As a result, we will be closed to new applications from 12 noon on 31 May 2024 and will reopen with updated criteria in September 2024.

We are not changing our strategy – instead, we are looking at where we can have the biggest impact within our funding themes and ensuring that we are clear externally about what is in and out of scope for funding. Our purpose is to sharpen the focus of Our Funds to achieve our strategic aims, rather than changing those aims.

Find out more here.

EASYFUNDRAISING

Sign up to easyfundraising

Did you know your organisation can receive funding every time your volunteers, employees, or staff shop online? Their everyday shopping can transform into a continual income stream for your organisation. You can raise up to £100 over a year, just from one person doing their weekly food shop, raise up to £45 each time someone switches their household bills, and raise up to £60 when they book a holiday.

Find out how this free service works here.

SCVO

Meet the funder with Bank of Scotland Foundation and the National Lottery Community Fund

Are you looking for funding for your work supporting people and communities? Join Rachel Boyd, Content Design Manager, SCVO for an online meet the funder session to hear from Bank of Scotland Foundation and The National Lottery Community Fund about their grant programmes.

When?

Tuesday 28th May from 11am-12pm

Book your place here.





TAYSIDE COUNCIL ON ALCOHOL

Join our team

We are looking for a full time Birch Resource Worker to join our team!

Location: TCA Office, Dundee

Salary: £26,572

As a Birch Resource Worker, you will be responsible for implementing a range of interventions and support measures as part of an integrated package of health, therapeutic and social support.

Find out more and apply here.

GENERATIONS WORKING TOGETHER



Creating Intergenerational Communities

Creating Intergenerational Communities (#CICNLCF) is now in its 2nd year and in Scotland, we are looking for new partners to trial our quality intergenerational indicators this year.

The Programme will develop, introduce and test a new set of guidelines to better equip intergenerational practitioners to nurture quality connections in communities.

The Creating Intergenerational Community partners involved in the pilot want to better support the intergenerational work developing in local communities in a very practical way.

If you would like to find out more about Creating Intergenerational Communities, contact **Louisa@gwt.scot**



SCARF

Introducing our Energy Advisor

Ayshea Hawthorn, is the Energy Advisor for Scarf, a NE Scotland based social enterprise with the mission of eradicating fuel poverty and tackling carbon emissions.

She is available for home visits in the Angus area and can help with energy efficiency measures, fuel debt and renewable energy referrals.

For more information, contact ayshea.hawthorn@scarf.org.uk

ALZHEIMER SCOTLAND



Become a Dementia Friend

Anyone can become a Dementia Friend - It's just about understanding a bit more and learning the small things you can do to help people living with dementia.

Come along to this free session and learn about dementia and how you can be a dementia friend. You'll receive a certificate and a badge - a little knowledge can go a long way to help make our community more dementia friendly.

Where and when?

Tuesday 30th April at Panbride Hall, Arbroath Road, Carnoustie from 2pm

For more information or to book a place, email lyoung37@btinternet.com or rmoncur@alzscot.org

VICTIM SUPPORT SCOTLAND

Victim Support Volunteer

Victim Support Scotland are looking for Victim Support Volunteers to make a positive difference to the lives of victims and witnesses affected by crime.

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 1st May.

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