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Community Focus

Working Volunteer of the Year Awards 2019

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About Greenoak Community Focus

Greenoak Community Focus was established by Greenoak Housing Association, a Woking based housing charity. It has a voluntary Board which oversees its work to achieve its charitable objectives.

Greenoak Community Focus invests in local communities and amongst other activities, supports and provides grant funding for local charities, voluntary groups, schools and projects.

In 2015, it launched 'Woking Volunteer Awards' at the WWF Living Planet Centre to celebrate and showcase the fantastic contribution that so many volunteers that work tirelessly and selflessly day in and day out in our Woking Community. We aim to shine a light on them and their Charities to demonstrate true human compassion and community spirit that could easily go unnoticed.

As these awards proved to be a great success, it's now established as an annual event. There are two award groups this year: 'Woking Volunteer of the Year' and 'Woking Young Volunteer of the Year'.

These awards will provide an additional £8,000 this year to local charities to help support their valuable services. This event also provides a valuable opportunity for charities and voluntary groups to show-case and publicise their activities.

Meet the Contestants

Volunteer of the Year

Ian Anderson	Phoenix Cultural Centre/Fiery Bird
Chris Atkins	Citizens Advice Woking
Mawuse-Ayele Ayivi	Woking Blackhawks Youth Basketball
Wendy Cheesman	York Road Project
Michael Day	Cycling Projects - Surrey Wheels for All
John Dumbleton	Surrey Care Trust
Andrea Glendenning	Woking & Sam Beare Hospices
Eleanor Grady	Woking Age Concern
Tom Landais	CornerHouse
Mary Lawrence	Woking & Sam Beare Hospices
Laszlo Pap	Hungarian School Woking
Mr Kanu Patel	Anandmilan / Vadil Parivar
Christine Reynard	West Surrey Mediation Services
James Richardson	LinkAble
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Young Volunteer of the Year

Jack Bedford	RSPCA Surrey Woking & District Branch
Emily Betson	Woking and Sam Beare Hospices
Vicky Deyong	LinkAble
Ben Lawrence	Cycling Projects - Surrey Wheels for All
Tim Nugent-Young	Woking and Sam Beare Hospices



Ian Anderson

Ian has been with Phoenix Cultural centre for over a year. He first found the group when he brought a friend with dementia to a music night. When he formally began his involvement he helped at events by setting up a tea bar so people could have an alternative to alcohol along with cakes, and undertook cleaning work and general duties.

He offered his time and undertook training so he could provide work experience assistance to adults with Special Educational Needs who were having difficulty on traditional work placements. Phoenix were able to accommodate their support because Ian offered to train in safeguarding and be available to supervise them every week. He spends a day a week providing tailored work supporting them with his kind humour and never-ending patience. If they have spare time after their work he will help them learn guitar or talk with them about their hopes and dreams. He has inspired some of them to become volunteers when their placements finish and has set up meetings with their colleges to facilitate this. His guidance has helped to increase their confidence and ability to be part of a team. He particularly likes to help local young people who are trying to set up a cake making enterprises by buying all their cakes. He also plays an important part in keeping social media updated on what is happening and welcoming people to participate as well as donating to the Phoenix project.

People just love Ian's company, he lights up the venue with his warmth and kindness. He loves volunteering, nothing is too much trouble for him and treats everyone as valuable. He will often work all day helping the work experience adults and then come out again to man the tea bar and social media at an evening event. He is a selfless, caring, and special person and a real support and asset to the project and community.



Chris Atkins

Chris is special and is one of the kindest and gentlest people anyone could meet. He has given freely of his time for 25 years. He puts clients at ease at difficult times in their lives, is empathetic and takes his time to listen to clients with their problems. He has developed an interest in employment issues and spends 2 days every week advising both volunteers and clients on their rights and responsibilities, making a real difference to people's lives.

Chris supports clients who come to Citizens Advice Woking for help with employment problems, which may include, amongst other things, losing their job, loss of earnings or being unfairly treated by their employer. He listens and explains their rights and responsibilities. When they decide how they wish to proceed, Chris will support them to achieve the best possible outcome. It is often the case that clients will also need to receive advice on other matters such as how to manage on reduced income or how to maximise their income by finding alternative work or claiming benefits, how to avoid risk of becoming homeless or dealing with debts which could arise when there is no household income. In addition to helping clients, Chris also supports the volunteer advisers. In 2018/19 675 clients consulted Citizens Advice Woking with an employment problem and Chris will have known about or have been involved with more than half of these.

Chris is also a great team player. He is very supportive of everyone at Citizens Advice Woking and is always willing to share his knowledge. He is well respected amongst his colleagues and goes the extra mile to make sure the clients receive the best advice possible. He is calm, professional and unflappable!



Mawuse-Ayele Ayivi

Mawuse has been with the Woking Blackhaws Youth Basketball Club since her son Noah joined the U10 age group. She has been an asset to the club and works tirelessly as Team Manager to ensure all parents and their children are welcomed to the Blackhaws. She not only manages the day to day admin for her particular squad but will often help and assist any other team managers, coach or player that needs assistance, more importantly always with a smile.

Mawuse for the 2018/2019 season was the U14 boys Team Manager. In this role she organised and coordinated the matches at the National League level and the Community development league level. She ensured referees are appointed, sports venues booked and table officials are in place for the games. In addition to her squad duties she organises the Annual Awards day, manages the annual bookings for the sports halls and helps other Team Managers and children/youth with settling down in the club. She makes sure everyone feels welcome. She sets the bar high and other team managers and volunteers at the club look up to her.



York Road Project
Defeating Homelessness in Woking

Wendy Cheesman

Wendy has been volunteering with York Road Project since March 2018. She is committed and consistently demonstrates exceptional care and compassion towards people experiencing homelessness in Woking. Despite being a busy nurse at the Woking Community Hospital, she still finds the time between her shifts to volunteer at the Day Centre on a weekly basis. She continually goes above and beyond to support both Centre staff by taking on a range of tasks and the clients by offering her friendship always with a professional but approachable demeanour.

Wendy cooks lunch for the clients at the Day Centre every week, making favourites like shepherd's pie or paella, and donating the ingredients. That's roughly 500 individual meals during the past year that she's provided completely by herself, for countless people experiencing homelessness in Woking. She will come in early from 07:30am onwards to help prepare breakfasts for rough sleepers. She takes care of practical tasks without being asked which is invaluable support for the staff at the Centre who are frequently rushed off their feet, allowing them more time to offer expert housing advice to the people in our community that really need it.

Wendy is always on hand to help the clients. This includes helping with the creative workshops, finding clothes and toiletries, plus accompanying them on day trips – even making sandwiches beforehand! In addition to the time she gives, she helps with events and fundraising activities. Wendy is very supportive of the clients, offering an ear to anyone needing to talk. She recognises they're just human beings like me or you and treats them accordingly, with compassion and care.



Michael Day

Michael first attended the cycling sessions with his son who like his father has restricted vision. After a few sessions Michael would continue to come on his own, and offer his help teaching children to ride. He has hardly missed a session over the past 5 years and has become a very dedicated and reliable member of the team and is always looking for ways to link the work of the project with other opportunities in and around Woking. His son has recently joined Woking Cycling Club and Michael has been busy developing the links between the club and the project.

The project's weekly children and family sessions at the Woking Sportsbox can often attract between 30 - 40 families over the 2 hour session. Michael is always one of the first to arrive, often an hour before the session and is always on hand to help move the fleet of up to 60 adapted bikes from the storeroom to the side of the athletics track. He's very good at spotting when a bike needs attention and will often fix a problem before it happens. However, his real skill is helping to encourage and assure children (and their often nervous parents) that they can learn to ride and that no one is left behind.

Volunteers like Michael keep the project's wheels turning and the success of the weekly children and family sessions is dependent on people like him who will use his skill and experience to help other disabled people to have fun and enjoy keeping active.

Michael never lets the fact that he is partially sighted stop him taking an active part in the project. He's also a great networker and regularly turns up at a session with a business card of someone he has been talking to about Wheels for All and encourages a follow up.



John Dumbleton

John has been a mentor for Surrey Care Trust for 7 years and has mentored some challenging teenagers throughout this time. He has enabled young people to talk about their feelings and given them the space to develop new skills, while listening when they get angry to help them find better solutions. John has been someone that SCT has been able to rely on, however is due to retire this summer.

John initially helped by volunteering in one of their Learning Centres where young people had been excluded from school for their behaviour. This was quite challenging at times, however he never gave up on them even when they didn't turn up for meetings. Since then he has supported a young carer with autism through a very difficult time in his life and more recently, mentored young people in mainstream school that are close to being excluded from school. The young people he has supported have gone on and further developed their skills. They have learnt how to have a trusting relationship with an adult which has enabled them to ask for help when they are struggling.

John at present is mentoring 3 young people, and over the years, has mentored over 20 young people with complex and difficult needs. He is a kind and caring man, who is due to turn 71 years next month yet is still able to engage with young people. He has continually tried to learn new skills as a volunteer and focused on improving his own awareness to be able to help others.



Andrea Glendenning

Andrea has been with the team for 6 years and is extremely knowledgeable and calm, even when the environment gets very fraught. She is an amazing volunteer for the Community Nursing team, and really understands the work being undertaken and the needs of the team, and more especially the patients.

Andrea made the decision to continue volunteering when the team located to the main Hospice in Woking, despite a much increased journey to volunteer. Andrea understood how much they valued her work and her commitment was such that she wanted to continue.

One weekend she came in to complete some work, knowing that her colleagues who were covering at the weekend would also be grateful for moral support and company. She deals with patient telephone calls with great diplomacy and gentleness.

The Hospice feels so fortunate to have Andrea on their team, and without her the job would be much harder.



Eleanor Grady

Eleanor is special because she has gone above and beyond the role that is expected of the Woking Age Concern volunteers and in some ways has taken over the role of a family member. She offers her time to the charity by helping run the annual Christmas Party and Summer Party where she works tirelessly behind the scenes. She has become known as their 'Rock Cake Queen' and 'Recycling Queen' due to the amazing rock cakes she bakes and because of her quest to reduce the amount of waste sent to our landfills. She is an extremely caring and responsible individual and they feel so fortunate that she chose to volunteer for the charity.

In 2018 Eleanor supported one client while she moved to Devon. She visited her many times in hospital and kept her daughters, who did not live locally, informed. She had collected her from hospital late in the evening and stayed overnight with her after a medical procedure required company for 24 hours. She helped the client house hunt in Devon and stayed with her overnight there on more than one occasion. When their client eventually moved, Eleanor travelled to Devon again to help her unpack. She has also taken her Xmas shopping to purchase gifts for her family and helped in many other ways.

Eleanor is a warm, kind, generous person who is happy to muck in whenever help is required. She has great empathy for older people and since joining the charity has brightened the lives of two lovely clients. Woking Age Concern's ethos is to treat their clients as family members and Eleanor has certainly lived up to this. They hope she will continue to volunteer for many years to come.



Tom Landais

Tom initially came to CornerHouse to volunteer after his father passed away and has long endured mental health issues. During this difficult time he was encouraged to volunteer for his own wellbeing and chose CornerHouse as it was something he understood and believed in, being a mental health organisation. He has since been volunteering there in ever-increasing ways for 2 1/2 years.

Enthusiastic to support others, he initially was not confident speaking in a group. However, it became apparent that his shared understanding of the struggle with mental health issues was a great asset. He has taken the opportunities and support provided by staff and is a key volunteer for CornerHouse. He regularly supports groups for Depression and Anxiety and for Young People, worked with another four groups when needed, and has supported about 90 people throughout 2018/2019.

Using his understanding of his own personal struggles, he empathises and listens to members without judgement, whilst also encouraging and gently challenging them to do things differently. This helps them to reflect upon their part in their own recovery and empowering them to take wellbeing steps that can be difficult, especially when low or anxious. He encourages members to share their experiences. His warmth and patience which comes from his own experience is evident and the group members appreciate his input. He understands the practical challenges of medications and other forms of treatment and enables a platform to discuss these. Group members appreciate the knowledge that he brings. Staff appreciate his support delivering themed wellbeing courses and fun activities to the groups and that the groups are in good hands.

His relaxed, welcoming manner is appreciated by members new and old. He is supportive to new members at a time when they might be struggling to access support or to come to terms with their mental health issues. He brings a sense of humour to the groups that can lighten the atmosphere when difficult topics are being discussed.



Mary Lawrence

Mary is special because she has an amazing ability to treat everybody in the exact same way regardless of circumstance. She is kind, caring and is supremely professional and flexible, often going the extra mile to cover two roles in one shift without being asked. She has achieved all of this despite going through very difficult moments in her personal life which underlines her commitment and unique personality.

For almost 3 years Mary has volunteered in the Hospice shop dealing with hundreds of customers, and in the main Hospice reception and the café. Most of the Hospice volunteers undertake one role once a week, however Mary has been so passionate and supportive of the cause that she has undertaken three roles for the charity. The Hospice building itself involves dealing with hundreds of visitors day-to-day, all with different demands of the volunteer receptionists. Mary deals with 50+ phone calls a day which she always takes in her stride. The callers and visitors to the Hospice involve bereaved relatives or people going through the most challenging moments of their life, meaning they must be treated delicately and sensitively at all times.

Mary is a natural with people. She is warm, kind and has a great sense of humour and fun. She tailors her approach to individual's needs and is a great people person. To be able to do all of this with a smile on her face whilst going through challenging moments herself speaks volumes about her. The Hospice is very lucky, grateful and proud to count Mary as one of its volunteers.



Laszlo Pap

For the last 3 years Laszlo has been brilliant on the school's team of volunteers. His main focus is to run the arts and crafts sessions on all of the school days (biweekly) for about 25 children aged 4-8 years old. Each time he provides hand-crafted materials for them to use, and often using his own ideas which he individually prepares for each session. He helps with public events three times a year, with 150-250 guests per event. On every memorial day of Hungarian history that the community celebrates, he comes with a poem and something kind to say to the families.

He also organises family activities on annual Children's days and runs and maintains the library of Hungarian literature of books, magazines, films etc.

It is likely that Laszlo will have to permanently move back to Hungary later this year to support his family and the school feels they will lose one of their most valuable volunteers. They have nominated him to show their gratitude and how honoured they are to have been working with him over the years.



Anandmilan / Vadil Parivar (Elderly Club) Voluntary Community Group

Mr Kanu Patel

Since May 2011, Kanu has been identifying the need for the minority ethnic elders community to avoid loneliness by providing facilities for group recreation, activities and guidance. It helps to maintain their physical, mental and social wellbeing, with the objective of improving their living conditions.

He is the chairman of Anandmilan / Vadil Parivar(Elderly Club) Voluntary Community Group, and further helps its elders to access mainstream services by inviting speakers and health professionals to provide sessions on topics such as power of attorney, wills, visual aids, foot care, chiropractors, light exercises including yoga and meditation. This empowers the elders with the knowledge to help them in their daily lives. The charity provides overall support for 70 senior citizens, specifically at each meeting outreaching 45 -50 elders, with groups meeting twice a month regularly

Kanu has been involved in many activities such as "Lego mobile", a Light walking exercise on the Canal near Park View Community Centre in Woking. Social Networking in the form of coffee mornings. Inviting outside speakers, on subjects of interest to the elders. Yoga and meditation which he practised together with and instructed the group himself. During the period 2018 /19 he has organised coach day trips and outings to many places such as London, Guernsey, and a historical and cultural trip to the North of England. To keep minds agile and alert, combat forgetfulness and maintain mental wellbeing, he introduced bingo games which are very popular.

He keeps the committee members on their toes for the work allocated and ensures that they deliver to plan. He always makes sure that individuals take part in the activities within their limits. He puts in a considerable amount of time at his own expense for the benefit of the group, and always without any expectation.



West Surrey Mediation Service

Volunteer of the Year Entry

Christine Reynard

Christine has been a mediator with West Surrey Mediation service for ten years. She became the Chairperson of West Surrey Mediation five years ago and in this time has worked tirelessly for the service. Christine mediates regularly but also recruits mediators, organises training and social events for mediators, conducts meetings with police, councils and housing associations and is active in the funding to create a successful mediation service. Recently, whilst working with homeless prevention, she identified a need and added intergenerational mediation (between parents and teenagers) to the service, which has been extremely successful.

Christine has conducted many community and intergenerational cases. An example of this is when a 70 year old mother asked for mediation with her son. The family had been close and after a dispute at a family gathering were no longer talking. The son had also been estranged from his teenage son. The mediation resulted in the mother and son discussing issues and resolving them. A second mediation was carried out with the father and son and resulted in this relationship being mended.

Apart from the number of mediations Christine has conducted personally she is responsible for the many mediators who work for the charity. Many hundreds of people are helped each year. Christine is an excellent mediator and great leader, she has a quiet manner but is very effective at engaging and involving people in the service. She works long hours making sure the service runs effectively. She has also created good relations with the other mediation services in Surrey which has helped relationships with the funders and sharing of good practice.



James Richardson

James has been volunteering for at least 6 years supporting LinkAble's under and over 18s services. During this time he has been reliable and often gives up days of his time to ensure activities take place. He often steps in at short notice, helping out, and supporting staff and service users on outings and holidays. It is this kind of support and special commitment that is the lifeblood of small charities and James' support has been unwavering throughout the time he has been involved with LinkAble.

James helps by supporting the staff team at a weekly adults' social groups, such as bi-monthly Mayhem nightclub evenings and by driving the minibus for the under 18s groups when they are out on trips. The weekly group has activities such as swimming, visits to water parks and meals out. The weekly group that James supports has upwards of 15 service users who have been attending for a number of years. The bus trips for children involve supporting groups of 20-30 service users. Trips for the children mean an all-day commitment which James has always been happy to do. Nightclub evenings frequently have 250 people attending and James really gets involved helping everyone have a safe and fun evening out. James puts the same commitment into everything which is vital to ensuring the groups can be run safely and as planned.

James is a friendly, caring presence when he attends groups, having built up relationships with service users who trust him to support them. He is passionate about the charity and its aims and has been invaluable to their success. Nothing is ever too much trouble for James when called upon, even at the last minute.



The team at the Woking Coroners' Courts Support Service

The Coroners' Courts Support Service (CCSS) is an independent voluntary organisation whose trained volunteers provide emotional and practical support to bereaved families, witnesses and others attending an Inquest at Coroner's Court. The Woking team has 10 dedicated volunteers who commit 2 days of their time at court each month to support families and witnesses, helping them through the inquest process. They also help after the inquest, signposting people to bereavement support agencies, which helps with their wellbeing.

The team of volunteers support over 400 individuals attending Inquests at Woking Coroners Court in a year, of which just under 200 are family members. They sit each day at court attending in excess of 100 inquests, 50 pre inquest reviews and a 128 openings in the year.

The team meets and greets families and witnesses, answers any questions they may have, and provides practical and emotional support throughout the inquest process.

The CCSS volunteers have a huge amount of life and professional experience which they bring to the role. Each volunteer has undergone three days training and are able to think on their feet and provide empathy kindness and support to vulnerable people.



RSPCA Surrey Woking
& District Branch

Jack Bedford

For four years, since Jack was 15 years old, he has been volunteering at weekends and during school holidays for the Branch. Jack is on the spectrum and has a special interest in dogs and therefore enjoys offering his time in order to help the Branch to support dogs in the local area.

He is always willing to undertake any task that is required of him and attends all fundraising events. Jack is especially keen and excels at selling raffle tickets for the Branch. They benefit greatly from Jack's contribution as have the animals that have come into the Branch. Jack works every Saturday afternoon in the RSPCA Charity Shop in Horsell, where he helps with pricing, checking stock, washing and cleaning items, ironing and any other duties as required.

He has attended all fundraising events held by the Branch throughout the year. At Chobham Carnival he took part on the float and was the top collector of funds from the public, and also helped on the stall and with the tombola. At the RSPCA Millbrook Gala Day, Jack helps all day setting up and then working on the stall. During the Horsell Xmas Fair he helps by selling raffle tickets and raising funds on the stall.

Jack has been a dedicated supporter of the Branch supporting and raising money for the Branch in any way he can.



Emily Betson

Emily started volunteering in the Woking store in 2016 as part of her Duke of Edinburgh award. She thoroughly enjoyed it and became one of the Hospice's Fundraising events volunteers.

In 2017/18 Emily's mum was cared for by the Hospice and Emily's support for the Hospices has grown. In the Woking store Emily is an extremely valued volunteer, she is always happy to work extra shifts and undertake any tasks that are required.

Emily volunteered in the store over the period when they had to endure the building works in Woking Town Centre – so at times noisy, dusty and reduced footfall.

In 2019 she was asked to be the voice of their advertising campaign on Eagle Radio, and one of the faces of their media campaign, as well as undertaking a sponsored trek to Machu Picchu.

The Hospices are very important to both Emily and her family and she is also a great personal fundraiser as well as supporting at events. Agreeing to be part of their fundraising campaign is something they are especially grateful for – it is important that people understand hospices are for all. Emily's commitment has been constant and she is a great ambassador for the Charity. She will be greatly missed in the Woking store when she goes to University.



Vicky Deyong

For 14 months Vicky has been committed, consistent, always happy to help out with anything in the office or with activities involving the service users during school holiday schemes where she helps by driving one of the minibuses and supporting groups if we are short of paid staff.

For 2 days a week, Vicky provides invaluable administrative and financial support to the LinkAble office team of 4 full time and 4 part time staff members, in an environment where the charity business systems are manual and labour intensive. Her contribution is invaluable and really helps the small team by keeping on top of the 'less glamorous' day to day office tasks. She also keeps the charity's database and filing up to date, and regularly checks and oversees the management of the charity, first aid boxes and equipment. Plus she is always willing to pitch in and answer the phone, dealing regularly with service users and supporter enquiries. The financial tasks she assists with include the regular counting of cash which until recently was time consuming and completed manual without the aid of a coin counter. She has provided financial and gift aid analysis as well as budgetary support to the Finance Manager.

Unlike other volunteers who work directly with the service users Vicky's administrative role in office is unseen but her contribution is just as valuable. With such a small team the support she provides is vital and reassures other members that they can delegate tasks to Vicky knowing that it will be completed to a high standard in a timely and professional manner.



Ben Lawrence

Ben is a young adult with special needs who started attending Wheels for All sessions at the age of 15 and has since become a regular and very reliable volunteer at both the Woking & Epsom sessions over the last 4 years. Ben always has a smile on his face come rain or shine and is always willing to offer his support at the children or adult cycling sessions. He's very attentive and passionate about helping others and is a source of encouragement for parents of special needs children.

Surrey Wheels for All runs regular cycling sessions for children and adults with disabilities or health issues in Woking & Epsom. Ben lives in Banstead however, his enthusiasm for helping others means that he always makes himself available to help run the two weekly Woking sessions on Tuesday and Sundays. Ben is part of a team that arrive early and set up the session, first moving cycles to the track from the storeroom, and then helping people prepare for the session by putting on helmets and selecting their favourite cycle. Having been a regular participant himself, Ben knows the routine and is very often seen walking round the track encouraging and helping people who may not have the ability to cycle by themselves. Ben has rarely missed a session in 2018/19 and has even volunteered when the charity runs sessions at different venues outside the boroughs.

Parents often comment that seeing Ben taking such an active role at the sessions gives them confidence that their child may be able to do something similar and that disability is no barrier when it comes to helping others. Ben is a very trusted and reliable member of the team and is certainly happy to go "that extra mile" to help others to keep active.



Tim Nugent-Young

A year ago Tim applied to be a volunteer when the Hospice was looking for support for a group of male outpatients who attend the Hospice day care. In walked a young man who had never worked and had been in a life changing accident. They saw a cheeky smile that could illuminate a room, a desire to learn and a great sense of humour. They just knew he was going to be right and that they would both benefit.

Tim volunteers every Tuesday in the Bradbury Well Being Centre and also helps at fundraising events for the Hospices. In the Well Being centre he is happy to get involved in any activities and is happy to laugh at himself - even being a mannequin when we did a fashion show leading to the wonder quote "Lipstick tastes horrible!" - something the staff and patients will never forget.

Despite some physical injuries Tim has great stamina and has helped raise money as a bucket collector which means he has to stand for long periods. His key attributes include his great empathy with patients, he looks everyone in the eye and really engages with them. The patients are Fred/John or Grieg to him. They enjoy having a younger male volunteer. He has learned so much about working in a caring environment and will be missed in the centre when he takes on a new paid role.

His confidence has grown so much as has his physical strength, he is loved by all and is about to embark on a caring career. He really is a special young man who will continue to support the Hospice as volunteer at fundraising events and support the Wellbeing Centre when available.



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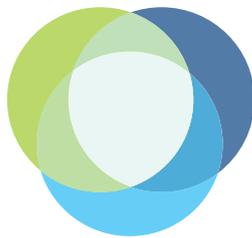
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In addition to the annual Volunteer awards, we have previously sponsored:

- Catalyst sponsorship to establish and develop a recovery cafe in Woking for people who suffer through addictions
- York Road Project donation of mobile phones and top-up credit to keep in touch with clients
- CornerHouse Donations for urgent mental crisis groups
- Surrey Choices Direction Radio station equipment to enable users to improve confidence, gain independence and learn new skills and work experience
- LinkAble Woking project to enable service users to undergo work experience
- Greenoak Housing: Grant for older people's services for living support and activities including pet therapy, training courses, topical discussions, wellbeing activities.
- Woking Hospice new build appeal and nurse's equipment wish list
- Besom Woking: funding for new van and starter kits for new families
- Freemantles School: i pads for pupils with autism
- Goldsworth Park Rangers 'Under 6s' football team: annual team kits
- Let's Read - Literacy Project in Sheerwater: annual support funding
- Schools: Books and teaching aids to keep children safe
- Street Angels: uniform, kits and training to fund an extra night's service
- Surestart/Busy Bees: trips to the seaside and family days
- The Lighthouse building project: security doors and works
- The Mayor's Picture a story competition: publicity and book prizes
- Woking Community Furniture Project: funding towards new delivery van and assistance with equipment for Community 'Shed' project
- Woking First Responders: kit, uniform and training for three new recruits
- Woking Shop Mobility: two new mobility scooters
- Y Centre Youth Worker: three years matched funding

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