

# CONNECTIONS EVENT



**one community**

**Thank you for joining us at our Connections Event- we have a wide range of local charities, community groups and social enterprises represented. We hope this is just the start of developing some great conversations and partnerships.**



**About Us:** Third Sector Leaders Kirklees is a registered charity and membership organisation that supports the third sector across Kirklees - from large charities to small grassroots groups. We provide free training, support and network events. We are also the accredited Volunteer Centre for Kirklees - providing a free volunteer matching service.

**How we can help Businesses:**

We can help you find a volunteer opportunity and connect you with charities and groups in your local area.

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### **About us:**

One Community Foundation is a registered charity and we are part of a network (UKCF) of 47 community foundations across the UK. Each foundation is independent and committed to connecting good people with good causes. As a place-based foundation, we support charitable groups across Kirklees through grant-making and partnerships.

Established in 2010, we work closely with local businesses, government, professional advisors, and philanthropists to create positive change where it matters most.

### **Opportunities for businesses:**

We partner with businesses to help them achieve their corporate social responsibility (CSR) goals through tailored philanthropic services and community investment opportunities.

### **Five reasons to work with us:**

1. **Local expertise** – We have deep knowledge of the Kirklees community and can connect you with the causes and projects that make the biggest local impact.
2. **Trusted partner** – As part of a national network of 47 community foundations, we offer a proven and transparent approach to charitable giving.
3. **Tailored support** – We work with you to design giving programmes that reflect your company's values, goals, and areas of interest.
4. **Impact you can see** – We provide detailed feedback and case studies from the groups you support, showing the real difference your contribution makes.
5. **Ease and efficiency** – We handle all the administrative, governance, and due diligence work—so you can focus on your business while we take care of the giving.

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<b>Organisation</b>	Almondbury Action – Community Group HD5 8XZ
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<b>About Us</b>	We carry out litter picks and look after planters in Almondbury, along with other activities that improve the village.
<b>Volunteering Opportunities</b>	We always need new volunteers to help with litter picks, painting of community buildings and maintaining planters. We have a mailing list where we let people know what events we have planned. It would be great if we had a team from local businesses to help us out.
<b>Current Projects</b>	We are looking to replace some dilapidated planters in the village. We have raised £1000 to date but need more to complete the project. Help could be in the form of a monetary contribution or an offer to build the planters or supply the materials.
<b>Services on Offer</b>	We could help with an organised litter pick event for local companies as part of a team-building/wellbeing day.
<b>Also..</b>	We will always promote any company that helps with our endeavours, using our social media pages to let everyone know the generous help that we receive.



**Canal &  
River Trust**

Making life better by water

<b>Organisation</b>	Canal and River Trust – Charity HD7 6NQ
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<b>About Us</b>	Caring and protecting 2000 miles of canal in the England and Wales. Making sure they continue to be Open and Alive for tomorrow and beyond.
<b>Volunteering Opportunities</b>	Team volunteering days and individual opportunities to join our regular sessions. Group sessions involving improving, restoring and developing the canal areas along the Huddersfield Broad or Huddersfield Narrow Canal.

<b>Current Projects</b>	We offer Canal Adoption - take ownership of the canal near your business, build important connections with your community, develop new skills and offer opportunities for staff.
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<b>Organisation</b>	Dalton Together – constituted community group HD5 8AA
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<b>About Us</b>	Dalton Together provides support to the community of Dalton and Ashbrow through a funded lottery programme, specifically tackling poverty and inequalities. In addition, we run volunteer opportunities, help manage food banks in the ward and connect people to opportunities and advice.
<b>Volunteering Opportunities</b>	Come and help at ‘The Bread and Butter Thing’ held weekly at Dalton and Rawthorpe Library – a low cost food shopping scheme using surplus food which is run by volunteers
<b>Current Projects</b>	Fundraising would be helpful to support our food provision and to grow this important community action.
<b>Services on Offer</b>	We are able to offer volunteering opportunities for local businesses to get involved with, we are also hoping to launch a business directory for HD5 based organisations to help support the local economy and independents.



Environmental  
Projects In Kirklees

<b>Organisation</b>	EPIKS - Not-for-profit Limited Company HD1 1RL
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<b>About Us</b>	EPIKS projects give people the chance to enjoy better access and understanding of how and why to take action on climate change, enjoy thriving green spaces on their doorstep; take part in active travel and work towards a more equitable, circular economy.
<b>Volunteering Opportunities</b>	We offer businesses bespoke corporate volunteering days or half days at nature sites in Kirklees. Your team will learn environmental ranger skills while enhancing their physical and mental wellbeing, making a lasting difference to local people and wildlife. EPIKS are also developing some landscaping projects that could benefit from expert input from construction and landscaping businesses.
<b>Current Projects</b>	We're looking for businesses to help fund our Volunteer Environmental Rangers, who are out every week tackling environmental tasks while developing their skills and expertise. Their work allows more people to access green spaces around Kirklees and helps preserve precious habitats for the species we share our little corner of West Yorkshire with. For in kind support we are looking for donations of materials or tools.
<b>Services on Offer</b>	We offer a wildlife friendly premises consultation, helping businesses take simple steps to make their premises more wildlife friendly. Active travel consultations with our team of experts. Free e-bike trials or guided nature lunch break walks for businesses.
<b>Also..</b>	Sponsored school education sessions with young learners finding out what makes a healthy river ecosystem.



<b>Organisation</b>	Focal - Co. Ltd by Guarantee (non profit making) HD3 4DD
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<b>About Us</b>	We run a local community centre and community garden which offers a range of activities to the local community which promotes health and wellbeing, helps tackle social isolation and improves peoples' physical activity levels.
<b>Volunteering Opportunities</b>	We welcome more volunteers to help out on our Fabulous Fridays (11.15 to 2.45) – including meet and greet, setting up and clearing away, befriending etc. We would also welcome one-off or regular support in our growing focal community garden/raised beds as well as any interest to become a Trustee on our Committee to help run this busy community centre.
<b>Current Projects</b>	Fabulous Fridays and Growing Focal - support with running costs year on year (we rely on personal donations and grants).
<b>Services on Offer</b>	We can offer room hire to local businesses.



<b>Organisation name</b>	Fresh Futures – Charity HD1 5JP
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<b>About Us</b>	Established in 1974, Fresh Futures is a regional charity that supports vulnerable and disadvantaged children and young people, and their families, within Kirklees and surrounding areas.

	<p>Our vision is for all children, young people and their families to have opportunities for a better life, now and in the future. The aim is to ‘Improve lives and inspire change’ through our four interwoven strands of work – Education, Health &amp; Wellbeing, Employability &amp; Skills, and Relationships – which all help to drive equality of opportunity and social justice forward – empowering individuals to make positive life choices and be the best they can be.</p>
<p><b>Volunteering Opportunities</b></p>	<p>We have a range of volunteering opportunities that are ideal for employees from local businesses who want to make a meaningful impact:</p> <p><b>Skill Sharing</b> – We particularly welcome support from individuals with marketing expertise to help us raise awareness, strengthen our brand, and reach more young people in need of our services.</p> <p><b>Team Building Projects</b> – Groups can take part in practical volunteering days, supporting the maintenance and development of our spaces used by young people. These activities provide a great way for teams to bond while making a visible, lasting difference.</p> <p><b>Trustee Roles</b> – We are currently recruiting for new Trustees to join our board. This is a fantastic opportunity for professionals who want to use their knowledge and experience to help shape our strategic direction.</p> <p><b>Mentoring &amp; Workshops</b> – Volunteers can work directly with our young people and young adults, offering mentoring, skills-based workshops, or confidence-building sessions. These roles are flexible and provide a chance to share professional and life skills that can inspire and empower the next generation.</p>
<p><b>Current Projects</b></p>	<p>Whether you're an individual, a team, or a business, there's a fundraising opportunity tailored for everyone at Fresh Futures. Here's how your support can help transform lives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Exciting Challenge Events</li> <li>2. Creative &amp; Community Workshops</li> <li>3. Corporate Golf &amp; Sponsorship</li> <li>4. DIY &amp; Peer Fundraising</li> </ol>
<p><b>Services on Offer</b></p>	<p>We can offer a number of services and partnerships that may be of interest to local businesses: Room Hire at Brian Jackson House – We have a variety of flexible spaces available for meetings, training sessions, and events, right in the heart of Huddersfield. Corporate Volunteering &amp; Team Days – Opportunities for staff teams to get involved in meaningful projects that support young people and the wider community. Wellbeing &amp; Skills Workshops – We can work with businesses to develop sessions that support staff wellbeing or provide skills-based workshops for employees and their families. Partnership Opportunities – From sponsorship of events to long-term charity partnerships, we can tailor opportunities to suit business objectives and community impact goals.</p>



<b>Organisation</b>	Holmfirth Tech Ltd. – Community Benefit Society HD9 3AR
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<b>About Us</b>	Holmfirth Tech is a welcoming, community-run hub offering affordable spaces, support and activities for arts, learning, wellness and enterprise.
<b>Volunteering Opportunities</b>	<p>We offer a range of flexible volunteering opportunities at Holmfirth Tech that are well suited to employees from local businesses. These include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Team volunteering days supporting community events or building improvement projects.</li> <li>* Skills-sharing in areas such as marketing, IT, finance, HR, or event management.</li> <li>* Regular flexible roles helping with front-of-house, hospitality, or welcoming visitors.</li> <li>* Committee or Trustee opportunities for those with governance or strategic experience.</li> <li>* Remote volunteering such as research, fundraising support, or helping with communications.</li> </ul> <p>We can tailor opportunities to individual skills or team interests, ensuring volunteers make a real impact while enjoying a rewarding experience.</p>
<b>Current Projects</b>	We are fundraising to refurbish our community spaces, including the foyer, Cafe and Dance Studio, and to upgrade furnishings to make them more welcoming. We also welcome in-kind support such as professional expertise (marketing, IT, HR, finance), volunteer time for building improvements and events, sponsorship of community activities (e.g. Holmfirth SOUP), and donations of good-quality furniture or equipment.
<b>Services on Offer</b>	Holmfirth Tech offers affordable room hire, meeting and event space, as well as opportunities for wellness days, team away days and training sessions. We can partner with businesses to host or co-deliver community activities such as Holmfirth SOUP, and welcome collaboration on volunteering, sponsorship and staff engagement. Businesses can also promote our co-working, classes and community programmes to employees and their families.
<b>Also..</b>	We are looking to strengthen our Board of Directors and welcome interest from individuals with business skills or governance experience. Other opportunities include corporate volunteering, sponsorship, staff fundraising and skills-sharing, as well as supporting our regular Holmfirth SOUP micro-funding events and other community activities.



<b>Organisation</b>	Home-Start Kirklees - Charity HD1 3AG
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<b>About Us</b>	Home-Start Kirklees is a volunteer led organisation committed to the welfare of children and families. We offer emotional and practical support to local families in Kirklees with children from birth, right up to their first term of school. Last year we supported 361 families in Kirklees, working towards our vision for children to have the best start in life and families to be safe, healthy and resilient. We support families in the home, through groups and offer specialist services such as ESOL classes, school readiness, support for young parents and Dad Matters.
<b>Volunteering Opportunities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trustee and Adviser roles</li> <li>• Problem solving team days</li> <li>• Corporate testing days</li> <li>• Family support volunteers</li> </ul> <p>We are happy to work with you to offer bespoke volunteering and fundraising offers to meet your company mission and enhance your social value across Kirklees.</p>
<b>Current Projects</b>	We rely on support from our community to continue our much needed work, we are happy to support you to reach your fundraising ambitions for some or all of the services we offer.
<b>Services on Offer</b>	We also offer room hire at Bates Mill in Huddersfield.



<b>Organisation</b>	Huddersfield Giants Community Trust – Charity HD1 6PT
<b>Key contact</b>	Jordan Foster <a href="mailto:jordan@hgct.co.uk">jordan@hgct.co.uk</a> 01484 442235
<b>About Us</b>	Huddersfield Giants Community Trust is a registered charity that uses the power of sport to engage, educate, and inspire the local community through inclusive programme's throughout the Kirklees Community.
<b>Volunteering Opportunities</b>	<p>We offer a variety of volunteering opportunities suitable for individuals and teams from businesses, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Team volunteering days supporting the delivery of large-scale community or school sport events, holiday camps, or facility improvements at The Zone</li> <li>Skills-sharing opportunities in areas such as marketing, fundraising, IT, or project management to support our charity’s development</li> <li>Flexible regular volunteering, including helping with youth sports sessions, admin support, or event coordination</li> <li>Committee or advisory roles for those with relevant expertise, as well as potential future Trustee opportunities</li> <li>Remote volunteering for tasks such as research, communications, or grant-writing support</li> </ul>
<b>Current Projects</b>	<p>As a charity, sustainable funding remains one of our biggest ongoing challenges and business support, whether financial or in kind, plays a vital role in helping us continue to deliver meaningful impact across our community.</p> <p>Our current work includes extensive programme's focused on disability sport, health and wellbeing initiatives, inclusive holiday camps and community engagement activities. These projects make a real difference to the lives of people of all ages and abilities.</p> <p>We are always looking to build partnerships with businesses who share our values and want to make a tangible difference through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Fundraising support for our disability sport programme's, health and wellbeing initiatives and inclusive community activities</li> <li>- In kind contributions including specialist equipment, marketing support, venue use or professional expertise</li> <li>- Corporate sponsorship opportunities that align with corporate social responsibility priorities and create long term community impact.</li> </ul>

<p><b>Services on Offer</b></p>	<p>We offer a range of services and partnership opportunities that local businesses can promote to their employees and their families, including: Wellbeing days and team-building activities delivered through sport and physical activity programmes, designed to boost morale, health and engagement Room hire and venue use at The Zone for meetings, training sessions, workshops, and events in a welcoming, community-focused environment Access to our community programmes and holiday camps, which businesses can promote as family-friendly activities for employees' children Opportunities for joint community engagement projects and CSR initiatives, including volunteering days and skills-sharing collaborations We are keen to tailor partnerships to meet the specific needs of businesses and their teams, fostering strong local connections and positive social impact.</p>
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<p><b>Organisation</b></p>	<p>Kirklees Youth Alliance – Charity HD1 5JP</p>
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<p><b>About Us</b></p>	<p>Kirklees Youth Alliance provides infrastructure support to the community youth sector in Kirklees. We have a membership of grassroots youth organisations and groups and we provide them with 121 advice and guidance. We develop projects, programmes and partnerships that benefit local young people aged 11+ and act as the voice of the sector locally, regionally and nationally. We are committed to the delivery of professional youth work..</p>
<p><b>Volunteering Opportunities</b></p>	<p>There are always volunteering opportunities in youth clubs run by our member organisations (general volunteer support or specific skill sharing e.g. woodwork/ engineering to help young people gain skills and have fun. The central support team at KYA would currently love support with the roll-out of our CRM and its ITM from someone with IT skills. We are also trying to develop a spreadsheet that captures our infrastructure support outputs so that we can report more effectively at the end of each financial year. Social media and marketing help would also be gratefully received</p>
<p><b>Services on Offer</b></p>	<p>We support the running of youth clubs across Kirklees. These could be a potential place to advertise careers to young people (or address skill shortages)</p>



<b>Organisation</b>	Mencap in Kirklees - Charity HD3 3LX
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<b>About Us</b>	We support adults with a learning disability to live a meaningful life and fulfil their potential.
<b>Volunteering Opportunities</b>	Trustee Roles, Working as a buddy directly with service on a medium/long-term basis, skill matching to opportunities for learning, developing or sharing. Opportunities for companies to expand their social value by creating one-off bespoke projects
<b>Current Projects</b>	To expand opportunities for donating to us, either individuals or corporate. AI inclusion Support with our 80th Birthday events in 2026.



<b>Organisation</b>	RSPCA Halifax, Huddersfield and Bradford Branch – Charity HX1 3NS
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<b>About Us</b>	We are a local, self-funded branch of the RSPCA who take in hundreds of unwanted or mistreated animals a year, and give them a better life through rehabilitation, treatment, training and care, before finding their loving forever homes.

<b>Volunteering Opportunities</b>	Skills share tasks (e.g. digital, marketing etc.), fosterers, trustee roles, regular volunteering (flexible) across various departments including fundraising, charity shops, education and outreach.
<b>Current Projects</b>	We are fundraising for our Really Big Refurb project, an essential £4million refurbishment of our centre <a href="https://www.rspcahalifaxhuddersfieldbradford.org.uk/capital-appeal-update/">https://www.rspcahalifaxhuddersfieldbradford.org.uk/capital-appeal-update/</a> for which we need to raise a further £2million to complete the work. Alongside our fundraising, we appreciate donations of kitten and cat food, tombola/raffle items and often other items which may differ according to our animal intake.
<b>Services on Offer</b>	Team volunteering days e.g. to help prepare for large events. The refurbishment will include a brand new community room, use of which can be tied to pledges of support or which can be hired out for various purposes upon completion. We are not able to offer centre visits whilst building works are taking place but would love to visit places of work or education to talk further about our work, animal welfare, adoption etc.
<b>Also..</b>	We currently have some advertising opportunities available on the hoardings around the animal centre on Wade St, various sponsorship and naming opportunities for parts of the centre and elements of the build, collaboration opportunities including promotion/reels on our social media, event sponsorship with various levels of promotion included.



<b>Organisation</b>	Ruddy's Treat – Charity HD7 5TG
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<b>About Us</b>	We provide respite holidays for children and their families living with cancer and life limiting illnesses.
<b>Volunteering Opportunities</b>	We have a fundraising committee that we would like to expand and regular events that we would love extra help at.
<b>Current Projects</b>	We have a large Christmas event that we could really do with extra help at.
<b>Services on Offer</b>	We have a space to hire, we offer discount in the cafe/shop for volunteers. We have a catering service that you can book for your events.



<b>Organisation</b>	Slaithwaite Duck Race (run by 33rd Slaithwaite Scout Group) – Charity HD7 5DL
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<b>About Us</b>	Slaithwaite Duck Race raises funds to provide extraordinary national and international opportunities for local children, as well as supporting other local and national charities.
<b>Volunteering Opportunities</b>	The next Slaithwaite Duck Race will take place on Saturday 13th June 2026. We are seeking volunteers to help set up and steward the event. There are also volunteering opportunities throughout the year for tasks such as prepping the ducks (cleaning, numbering), selling duck race tickets or supporting other scouting events. We also welcome enquiries regarding General volunteering with the Scouts.
<b>Current Projects</b>	Supply and support with audio/visual equipment on the day (stage, live duck streaming, etc). Donations of drinks (to sell on the Scout fundraising stall). Donations of food and drink for our hardworking volunteer crew on race day.



<b>Organisation</b>	Talkthru – Charity HD1 1DL
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<b>About Us</b>	Talkthru provides free, confidential counselling and compassionate support for anyone affected by pregnancy or baby loss, birth trauma, unplanned pregnancy or other pregnancy-related issues.
<b>Volunteering Opportunities</b>	We welcome both individuals and teams from local businesses. Employees can share skills in marketing, IT, HR, finance, or fundraising, or help with events such

	as Baby Loss Awareness Week. Teams might also support by assisting at community events, while individuals can take on flexible roles in admin, communications, or remote research. We currently have space on our Board of Trustees for those interested in developing leadership and governance experience.
<b>Current Projects</b>	Businesses can support us through fundraising challenges, raffles, dress-down days, or by nominating Talkthru as Charity of the Year. Matched giving is a powerful way to maximise staff fundraising. Sponsorship could cover training, counselling sessions or event costs. We also welcome in-kind donations such as printing, office supplies or raffle prizes, and pro bono expertise in areas like HR, legal, finance, design, or marketing.
<b>Services on Offer</b>	We offer wellbeing workshops, staff training, and awareness partnerships that promote inclusivity.
<b>Also..</b>	We are keen to build longer-term partnerships with businesses who share our values. Opportunities include co-hosting fundraising or remembrance events, supporting awareness campaigns such as Baby Loss Awareness Week, and helping us reach underrepresented groups, including BAME communities, through inclusive campaigns and resource sharing. By working together, businesses can help us break the silence around baby and pregnancy loss and show real commitment to staff wellbeing and community support.



**The  
Branch**  
At Jubilee Centre

<b>Organisation name</b>	The Branch – Charity HD1 4SH
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<b>About Us</b>	We bring transformation through love and belonging - through health projects, classes, groups, events, volunteering opportunities, signposting and practical help with food and clothes.
<b>Volunteering Opportunities</b>	Fundraising Volunteers Or support us with our social media plan and support or r web page advising and updating.
<b>Current Projects</b>	We are looking for people to advise us on a good fundraising plan, or who can run a session independently in our building that the community would come to and pay for.
<b>Services on Offer</b>	Mindfulness days, craft days, cooking classes with a chef, fun singing and games session, 40's wind band and high tea party.



<b>Organisation</b>	The Children's Art School - Charity
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<b>About Us</b>	We provide creative opportunities for children across Kirklees and focus on accessible and inclusive offers at our MakerWorld spaces in Dewsbury and Huddersfield town centres.
<b>Volunteering Opportunities</b>	We can offer one off, flexible or regular volunteering to support events and exhibitions through stewarding, supporting art sessions by supporting families to take part and also by collecting feedback for evaluation.
<b>Current Projects</b>	We're urgently looking for a new home for MakerWorld Huddersfield and are looking to partner with organisations who might be open to housing our free offers for children and young people. We are looking for cross-promotion opportunities of young people's provision and joint marketing support. We are looking for in-kind support from manufacturers of cardboard, textiles, art materials.
<b>Services on Offer</b>	We offer corporate away days and well-being experiences. Our offers in Huddersfield and Dewsbury town centres are targeted at families- families tell us it gives them quality time together supporting well-being and family bonding as well as important child development opportunities. We also offer children's parties.
<b>Also..</b>	We'd love to explore sponsorship opportunities with like-minded organisations in the town.



<b>Organisation</b>	The Welcome Centre – Charity HD1 1QB
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<b>About Us</b>	We provide emergency 7-day food packs, along with essential cleaning and hygiene products, to individuals facing food crises in our community. Additionally, our in-house advice, guidance, and support service helps empower people on a pathway to greater independence and freedom from food insecurity
<b>Volunteering Opportunities</b>	We offer year-round corporate volunteering opportunities, available for both individuals and teams, providing a meaningful way to engage with and support the community.
<b>Current Projects</b>	We're looking to build corporate partnerships that contribute to our core funding, while also encouraging offices to get involved through fundraising initiatives and food donation drives.
<b>Services on Offer</b>	Our food bank is non-means-tested, meaning anyone experiencing a food crisis can access our support. We also offer staff presentations during team meetings and are happy to promote your organisation through our social media channels and website
<b>Also..</b>	By partnering with us, your organisation will be showcased to over 5,000 supporters in our community, increasing your visibility as a valued community supporter and strengthening your corporate social responsibility (CSR) initiatives.



<b>Organisation</b>	TIMETogether – Charity HD8 8TH
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<b>About Us</b>	We Connect People, Reduce Loneliness and Improve Quality of Life, through 30 projects, activities, transport services and places to meet.
<b>Volunteering Opportunities</b>	<b>One Off:</b> Individual volunteering - dementia groups, retail sorting donations, cooking, serving food, film club

	<p>Team volunteering - wheelchair pushing for dementia day trips</p> <p><b>Longer Commitment:</b></p> <p>Trustee - bi-monthly 2 hour meeting with 9 other trustees</p> <p>Building - professional to guide the management through land prep and building work, maybe prefab</p>
<b>Current Projects</b>	Corporate Challenge Event - we can provide H&S Cover through a partner business to do Snowdon, Yorkshire 3 Peaks or similar mountain challenge, with minimum fundraised for example
<b>Services on Offer</b>	Open to all volunteer offers for own-car drivers, minibus fleet drivers, retail and activity groups, including cooking and serving meals
<b>Also..</b>	First Aid Training Centre, where profit subsidises charity on the same course, for Emergency First Aid, First Aid at Work and Level 2 Food Safety



<b>Organisation name</b>	Umbrella Yoga – Community Interest Company
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<b>About Us</b>	We improve people's mental and physical health through accessible and inclusive yoga sessions.
<b>Volunteering Opportunities</b>	<p>Volunteering is not our primary reason for wanting to be a part of this event. However, we would welcome volunteers with the following skill sets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- finance consulting</li> <li>- HR consulting</li> <li>- fundraising support.</li> </ul>
<b>Current Projects</b>	<p>Match-funding for our fundraising events from local businesses would be an incredible gesture.</p> <p>We lead about 8 fundraising sessions throughout the year. These tend to be paid-for special event yoga sessions, either in Marsden or Batley.</p>
<b>Services on Offer</b>	This is where we really stand out! We offer Workplace Wellbeing programs that are ideal for staff groups - whether they work remotely, in an office, or hybrid. We can lead regular or one-off yoga sessions to

	support mental and physical health, and to build team confidence and motivation. The wonderful thing about our yoga sessions is that by engaging us to support the internal team, the organisation is also supporting the local community. We lead several community-based and special needs yoga sessions across Kirklees (including in Slawithwaite, Lindley, Holmfirth, Netherton, Cowlersley and Armitage Bridge), and any profits from our Workplace Wellbeing sessions go directly towards sustaining those yoga sessions.
<b>Also..</b>	We have a 'Virtual Studio' where staff members can access pre-recorded yoga sessions by our lovely team at home, in their own time. This is a paid-for service, but if they are engaging Umbrella Yoga for Workplace Wellbeing sessions, then we can offer this at a subsidised rate.



<b>Organisation</b>	Uniform Exchange – Charity HD1 3UN
<b>Key contact</b>	Kate France <a href="mailto:kate@uniform-exchange.org">kate@uniform-exchange.org</a> 07969158238
<b>About Us</b>	Uniform Exchange is a charity that collects and redistributes donated school uniforms and clothing, ensuring children and families across Kirklees have access to the essentials they need, while reducing waste and supporting our community through sustainability.
<b>Volunteering Opportunities</b>	<p>Team Volunteering Days – sorting, packing and preparing school uniforms at our warehouse or running seasonal community projects such as coat and uniform collections. Plus arranging fundraising events to support the core elements of running the charity.</p> <p>Skills Share – support with specialist areas such as HR, IT, marketing, social media planning, grant writing and logistics.</p> <p>Flexible Volunteering – helping with school pop-up shops, local collection drivers or ad-hoc tasks that can be done around work commitments.</p> <p>Trustee Roles – opportunities for those interested in contributing leadership, governance or strategic expertise.</p>

	<p>Remote Volunteering – tasks like admin, database support, website or communications work that can be done from home or the office.</p> <p>Our “Give a Day” style activities are especially popular, offering businesses the chance to enjoy a meaningful team-building day while making a visible impact in just one day and learning more about child poverty, sustainability and community action in Kirklees.</p>
<b>Services on Offer</b>	Employees and their families are welcome to access our free school uniforms and winter items whenever they need support.



<b>Organisation</b>	Yorkshire Youth and Music – Charity HD1 1RL
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<b>About Us</b>	Yorkshire Youth & Music improve the lives of young people in a range of very challenging circumstances through music and arts based opportunities.
<b>Volunteering Opportunities</b>	<p>Volunteering - help with supporting young people at group sessions in our studio in Huddersfield. No previous studio experience required, just an enthusiasm to work with young people and support them in their collaborations.</p> <p>Trustees - We are looking for new Trustees to join us in 2025 to help us deliver our mission to facilitate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the highest quality music making, related art forms and learning opportunities for disadvantaged young people in challenging circumstances, across all music styles, and according to young people’s needs and aspirations</li> <li>- excellent training and development opportunities for musicians, teachers and others involved in young people’s music making and learning</li> </ul> <p>We particularly welcome Trustees with a background in the education sector, those who are working within the music education sector, or those who otherwise complement the skills of our current Board Members. We welcome applications from people of all backgrounds.</p>
<b>Current Projects</b>	We are currently looking to develop our bursary scheme, to enable young people who have participated in one of our funded projects (normally a 10 week course), the opportunity to continue working with our Music Leaders to enable them to reach their potential. These young people have often been referred to us by Kirklees Youth Justice team, normally due to them being at risk of exploitation. .

<b>Services on Offer</b>	Team building workshops either in DJ Skills or Songwriting
<b>Also..</b>	<p>Sponsor a young person - 1:1 music sessions for an hour a week with a specially trained music leader - £2145 per year</p> <p>Donation of computer equipment - we use MacBooks for our project delivery, any up to 10 years old may be too old for a business but would still run the software we use. Donations towards to purchase of equipment to use in our projects at venues including Sheffield Children's Hospital, Secure Children's Homes, Wetherby Young Offenders Institute, The Mother and Baby units at HMP's Newhall and Askham Grange.</p>