



NEWSLETTER

Our Vision is a Society in which every young adult has a safe place to call home and is positively engaged within their local community.

We achieve our vision through the delivery of our safe accommodation, support projects and our floating support service for those aged from 16 - 35 years of age. Please visit www.redditchnightstop.co.uk

When the winter months are dark, know that we have managed to shed some light in these difficult times, heres what we have achieved...

We have supported five young people with help to move on into their own accommodation, funding such items as washing machines, cookers, bedding, food, kitchen items and sourcing furniture donations from the members of the community and New Starts community furniture shop.

Nightstop support continues when a young adult moves into their home, this includes budgeting skills, setting up utilities etc. to increase the likelihood of successful tenancies, this alongside other support such as mental wellbeing, referrals to specialist services, training, cooking skills, employment, all depending on individual needs.



During Covid-19 times, we continue deliver our adapted services by using Zoom and WhatsApp, food deliveries and office use for needed contact (Covid-19 safe practices) We have been able to maintain consistent support to the young adults in need, and young adults have shown commitment and determination engaging in support offered, resulting in positive, life affirming outcomes. It is something that our support team are so very proud of

A bit about our **HARDSHIP FUND** and how it is established:-

The hardship fund is made from Grants & Donations from groups and companies such as the Tardebigge Relief Fund, all of which have helped with the Young people and 21-35s, we've adopted the ethos of end furniture poverty approach, to ensure people can access the basic furniture and goods they require for their first home to be a success, along with the continuing support from the Nightstop staff, which includes general wellbeing and social engagement.

We have secured funding from Redditch Borough Council – Homelessness Flexible Grant to continue to provide Floating Support 21 – 35 project from August 21 -22, we look forward to continue our partnership with Redditch Borough Council and to continue to deliver this much needed service.

More fabulous news, since March we have recruited 6 new host families, they have been trained and are eager to start providing accommodation in their homes, for young adults between 16 and 25 who have become homeless, when its safe to do so. Here is a quote from a current host:-



"I feel that I am offering what I have to someone who needs it. Sometimes it moves me out of my comfort zone, but I find it is really rewarding especially when a young person moves on to their own place and lives independently. I feel I have helped them gain the self-confidence and some skills with the help of Nightstop to do this. I enjoy the company of young adults and I hope they enjoy my company"

Fund Raising News

People in the community have been looking at ways to support us with fundraising from Virtual Marathons to schools taking part in the fill a tube challenge. We would like to give thanks to all the people that have organised, fund raised and donated not forgetting all our volunteers and hosts that help support our great charity. Thank you to all the local businesses that have organised and collected food, toiletries, money, gift vouchers etc. to give to our young people so they could enjoy Christmas and New Year! Here are a few of the great organised events that have been done by you, our supporters.

TK Maxx donations helped in several ways, such as parcels to young people and raffle prizes to raise money for our hardship fund



Delivering food parcels to young people supported by store manager Richard Watson at Tesco Lodge Park



THANK YOU FOR THE DONATION FROM TESCO OAKENSHAW OF LONG-LIFE FOODS! FOR OUR FOOD PARCELS



We have been awarded funding from Worcestershire Community Foundation to continue delivery of our mental health and wellbeing service delivered in partnership with Headgym. This funding will provide additional one to one sessions, teaching young people techniques and strategies for maintaining good mental health. Nightstop has seen an increase over the last 12 months.

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MAKING A DIFFERENCE TO YOUR COMMUNITY



Food Parcel deliveries to young people during lockdown, supported by Morrisons Redditch

THANK YOU Woodrow First School who raised £720.74 filling a MASSIVE 190 tubes with coins



Thank you to Lauren from Buckingham Group Redditch who raised £1009.06 by organising a cake bake sale, Xmas jumper day and raffle at work, which was then matched by Buckingham Group bringing the total donation to £2009.06

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Hayley and Gavin Young and Helen Gladwin raised over £600 running the Virtual London Marathon



We received some fantastic gift bags from a lovely little girl called Mia, her mom told us...
The idea came from my daughter (Mia, aged 7)'s homework - to consider her Christian values and see how she could apply them. So under the banner of compassion, generosity, friendship and respect Mia wanted to help those less fortunate than herself. The goods were chosen so that those who had little could have some nice treats (mince pies, biscuits (rainbow ones as she's rainbow mad!) and chocolates) as well as a few necessities that they might need.

Redditch Nightstop delivered the parcels yesterday which brought a smile to a lot of faces, the young people wanted to thank Mia and everyone that has donated items for their thoughts and generosity

Mollie Mai community champion at Tesco Oakenshaw donating food to give to young people.



Centrepoint donated some great trainers which were handed out to some of our clients.



M J Event Services supported us with supplying carpet to some of our vulnerable clients.



Thank you to the LEAR corporation for their gift donations!

Like many organisations working in the charity sector, Redditch Nightstop is seeing a significant down-turn in the projected financial support we receive due to the limitations of our fundraising activities. Sadly a lot of planned events have now been cancelled or are at risk of cancellation, this has had a dramatic effect on our income. Our services support the young people in our local community and we rely on the generosity and compassion of the public in sustaining the good work we do here.....but we can't do it alone. We need your support to keep going at this difficult time. Please get in touch if you have any virtual fund raising ideas! Get in touch by emailing info@redditchnightstop.co.uk or by contacting us via Facebook or Instagram or go to our website www.redditchnightstop.co.uk.