Voluntary Action Angus Weekly Bulletin

27th October



Third Sector Interface

This weeks content covers:

Office space for rent
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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

Many hands make light work! - Storm Babet

We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who volunteered to help move the donations from Brechin Campus to Brechin City Football Club (The Glebe) on Tuesday 24th October. 30 volunteers gave up their time to help pack and load the donations into volunteers' vehicles. There were a number of cars, vans, pickups and a Luton lorry who attended to assist with the move. A big shout out to Les Turriff Ltd, Brechin who loaned crates to help pack clothes and also offered a van and driver, also to Powerwasher Services Ltd, Laurencekirk for the use of their van and anyone else whose name we did not manage to get.

The extremely full sports hall was cleared in an hour and a half, with most donations now stored at The Glebe, some collected by Mandown, Montrose, and some taken to a church in Borrowfield, Montrose. It is always heart-warming to see the commitment and dedication to helping others provided by our local communities.

If anyone has been affected by Storm Babet and is in need of adult/children's clothing, towels and bedding, food, toiletries and sanitary products, these items can be collected from The Glebe next week between 9am-5pm.







Serviced office space available for rent!

We have a serviced office space available for a Third Sector organisation/community group to rent. This space is situated on the first floor of Angus Third Sector Centre at The Cross, Forfar.

Any equipment in the photographs are not included but some of the furniture may be.

The room has access to:

- Kitchen facilities
- Toilets
- Parking
- Wifi

View photographs of the room here.

For more information and to enquire, email info@voluntaryactionangus.org.uk



ANGUS COUNCIL

Flood recovery support

We've set up a webpage for households and businesses affected by flooding following Storm Babet. It has information and links to help and support available from the council and partner organisations.

This includes information for homeowners as well as council tenants. If you own your home and have been affected by flooding and need assistance, please get in touch.

View the page here.



MONTROSE FOOD HUB

We are here to help



At Montrose FoodHUB we are able to support individuals and families within our local community through the provision of food hampers, toiletries and cleaning products as well as cat and dog food, should these items be required.

We also have received funding which has facilitated us to purchase some slow cookers and air fryers, enabling us to be able to provide simple, and cost effective means of cooking to those most in need at this time.

We realise that the significant impact of the recent floods, as well as the cost of living crisis, may continue for a considerable time to come, and we are committed to ensuring we do everything we can to assist those within our local community who need us the most.

We are located within the MoHUB/YMCA, 98 Murray Street, Montrose.

For further information email foodhub@mohub.co.uk

NHS PUBLIC PARTNER NETWORK

Would you like to have a say on how local NHS services are developed?

The Public Partner Network is made up of members of the public who have an interest in health and health related issues who give freely and willingly of their time to work in partnership with NHS Tayside. They do not need to have specialist skills, knowledge or experience of health care.

Joining the Public Partner Network gives you the opportunity to give your views and opinions to influence decision making.

Find more information and how to get involved here.



ANGUS TOY APPEAL

Referrals open!

Angus Toy Appeal is a local charity, which distributes loads of donation boxes throughout Angus, collecting new toys, etc to help put a smile on a child's face at Christmas.

We are now welcoming referrals.

All toys and gifts are for children living in poverty throughout Angus. - Resources are limited so please consider your families carefully.

Referrals must be returned no later than **Monday 20 November 2023** and can be submitted by email or post.

Find more information on the referral process here.

ANGUS HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE PARTNERSHIP

We are looking for feedback on your experience of care received in Angus

Angus Health and Social Care Partnership are looking for feedback, via Care Opinion Scotland on your experience of the care you have received in Angus such as:

- Minor injuries and illness services
- Community Nursing
- Rehabilitation services, for example Physiotherapists or Occupational Therapists
- Social Work Assessment
- Services and support for older people
- Services and support for adults with learning or physical disabilities
- Community Mental Health Services



Tell your story **here**.

PIPING ROUTES

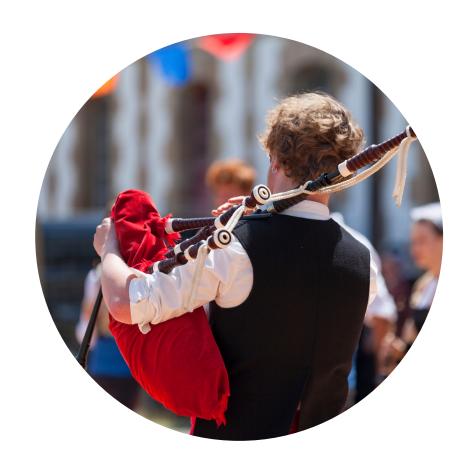
Piping Routes Bagpipe Amnesty

Piping Routes is a newly formed organisation looking for people in the Angus area who may have old/ unused or inherited sets of bagpipes who might consider donating them to Piping Routes where they will be refurbished with no cost to you ,with the view to having them played by a new generation of pipers. The history of ownership and story around each set will also be captured and shared where possible.

Piping Routes in conjunction with ANGUSalive have created hubs at the following locations where bagpipes can be donated between October - end November:

- Forfar Meffan, 20 West High Street, Forfar DD8 1BB
- Arbroath Signal Tower, Museum, Lady Loan, Arbrath DD11 1PU
- Montrose Museum, Panmure Place, Montrose DD10 8HF
- Brechin Libray, St Ninians Sq, Brechin DD9 7AD (October only)
- Kirriemuir Library, Town Hall, Reform Street, Kirriemuir DD8 4BS (October only)

If you would like more information, please contact pipingroutes2024@gmail.com



THE SCOTTISH COVID-19 INQUIRY

Let's Be Heard project

Let's Be Heard invites everyone affected by the COVID-19 pandemic in Scotland between 1 January 2020 and 31 December 2022 to share their personal experiences with the Inquiry. It is the main way in which people can contribute to the Inquiry and aims to give a voice to as many people across Scotland as possible.

Find out more about Let's Be Heard here.

Share your experience here.

The closing date for the national engagement phase of Let's Be Heard has been extended to **20 December 2023**.



SCVO

The Gathering Extra 2023 online event

Over two days on 7 and 8 November 2023, thousands of amazing people from the voluntary sector and beyond will join us at Edinburgh's EICC to connect, learn and be inspired.

As well as bringing you a packed programme of workshops, seminars and activities – including online sessions for our most popular events – we're delighted to share that this year we're bringing our exhibition back, showcasing a wide range of exhibitors from the voluntary, public and private sectors!

For those unable to join any of the events in person, there will be an opportunity to catch up on the Gathering from the comfort of your own home or office. A selection of sessions from the in-person event, will be shared on **Wednesday 29**November, delivered by an SCVO host and with opportunities for reflections and Q&A live on the day.

For more information and to book on to The Gathering Extra 2023 online event click **here**.



CORRA FOUNDATION

Funding now available



As part of the Scottish Government's National Drugs Mission, funding has been made available through three funds which are now open to applications:

- Improvement Fund (closing 28 November 2023 at 1pm)
- Local Support Fund (rolling grant programme)
- Local support Fund Micro Grants (rolling grant programme)

More information about each of the funds, including information on the application process and criteria is available on the Corra Foundation website **here**, or you can contact the team to discuss potential projects at **wellbeingteam@corra.scot**

EASYFUNDRAISING

Sign up today!

Did you know 57% of shoppers will do most of their Christmas shopping online this year. And did you know this shopping can easily turn into funding for your organisation?

8,000 popular online shops including eBay, Argos, John Lewis, Currys, Etsy, M&S, Boots, Waterstones and Moonpig will donate money whenever someone connected to your organisation shops with them. To take advantage of this festive fundraising idea, register your voluntary organisation, charity, social enterprise or CIC with funding website easyfundraising **here**.



ANGUSALIVE

We are looking for a Disability & Inclusion Football Volunteer

ANGUSalive Sport & Leisure team are looking for volunteers to assist with the planning, development and delivery of their disability & inclusion football programme.

Find more information and apply here.



Could you be a Disability & Inclusion Young Athlete Programme Volunteer?

ANGUSalive Sport & Leisure team are looking for a Disability & Inclusion Young Athlete Programme Volunteer to support the development of new sport and play programme for children with and without disabilities.

Find more information and apply here.



We are looking for a Volunteer Junior Programme Coach!

ANGUSalive are looking for a Volunteer Junior Programme Coach to work alongside a qualified coach to help with their large junior coach programme.

Find more information and apply here.



BRITISH RED CROSS

We are looking for a Volunteer Retail Assistant!

Have a little time on your hand to spare? We may have the perfect solution!

Our wee Red Cross shop, in Kirriemuir are looking for new people to join our team. Have you always wanted to work in a charity shop? Do you have a flare for fashion, jewellery, antiques or you may just love a chat!

Why not give volunteering a try, even a couple hours a week?

Find more information 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 November.

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