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### **APRIL 2020**

The COVID-19 pandemic has completely changed how the world functions, and the nonprofit sector is no exception. We are all looking for ways to fundraise while adhering to social distancing regulations, staff are working remotely and events have been cancelled across the globe.

With the news yesterday that we might be over the peak of the virus charities can start thinking about what our 'new normal' might look like and get ready to start making plans again.

In this challenging time, it's more important than ever for us to come together and share knowledge and resources. I was fortunate enough to be part of a zoom call this week where a group of organisations were starting to think about ways they could work together to put plans in place to support vulnerable young people over the summer... This joined up, collaborative approach will have a positive impact on our community and help us reach as many young people, and their families as possible.

As always please do get in touch if I can help in any way. I have spent the last few weeks sign posting organisations and individuals who have got in touch and have been working hard to support members where I can.

Thank you for everything you are all doing in our community. Continue to keep safe and take care,

Gilly Samuddin, Children & Young People's Network Coordinator.

What's in this month's newsletter:				
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Welcome and Contact us page	Dusiness and Funding	Please keep us up to date		
Network News from CYPN	Business and Funding	Let us know if your contact details change:		
members	Up coming meetings/ events	Contact the CYPN at:		
Local & National News and Information	Training opportunities.	Odd Down Community Centre Odd Down, Bath BA2 2TL		
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## **Network News from our members**

Off the Record are still offering lots of their services online for young people: SPACE Zoom sessions & messenger chats, SPACE to Be Zoom session and 1;1 support. Listening support & a virtual OKay cafeContact them for more details. <u>Make a Move are moving online to Zoom join their interactive, therapeutic sessions with mums who have babies/ young children and feel overwhelmed, stressed and anxious. To register your interest/ more information email: katiemonkshaw@makeamove.org.uk</u>	<b>3SG</b> has brought together a group of local partners, charities, residents, students & businesses to create a Compassionate Community so we can support each other during difficult times. They have set up the Compassionate Community Hub reaching out to vulnerable and isolated people providing help with food deliveries, medicine, urgent housing, mental health & wellbeing & money matters. Check out the 3SG website for latest news & updates
<ul> <li>Mencap Supported Internships:</li> <li>Mencap have been providing supported internships in Bristol and are hoping to trial this model in B&amp;NES starting in August this year. They would like to recruit 8 young people who have active EHCP's are are aged 17-24 and haven't completed a supported internship before.</li> <li>The placements would be in a variety of different roles for the first 3 months and then an employer will be selected depending on the young person's preferences and chosen pathway, so the young people will gain experience with a variety of employers.</li> <li>If you know of anyone who may be looking for what to do next, or would be interested in the supported internship please contact Bethan at Mencapwho will be leading on the internship. <u>Bethan Butcher</u></li> </ul>	<b>KOOTH</b> have continued to provide online mental health and wellbeing support to young people aged 11-18 in BANES. They provide an opportunity to interact in a supportive way with other young people as well as receive support from a qualified counsellor. To find out more visit <u>www.Kooth.com</u> where young people can register and others can find out more about the service. You can also view a short video about the service <u>here</u> :

#### LOCAL AND NATIONAL NEWS

- B&NES SEND Partnership newsletter: Click here to view the latest newsletter from the team
- B&NES Community Hub are no longer taking requests for COVID-19 key worker tests. All
  requests will now need to be made through the national digital portal. Employers can refer staff
  by emailing portalservicedesk@dhsc.gov.uk. Individuals who are eligible and wish to be tested
  are being asked to book their test online directly by visiting www.gov.uk/coronavirus.
- COVID-19 Updates for children & young people Local government association pages here.
- Charities minister rules out allowing <u>furloughed workers to volunteer</u> for their own organisations
- Reason Digital create a digital fundraising guide for small charities offering ways to boost your fundraising in this challenging time. You can download a free copy <u>here</u>.

#### **BUSINESS & FUNDRAISING**

- £12m emergency support fund for community businesses launched Power to Change says there will be two rounds of funding, the first of which opens on 11 May
- Quartet Community Foundation: <u>Coronavirus Response fund</u>. Grants of up to £5,000 for single organisations and £20,000 for partnerships.
- Localgiving and People's Postcode lottery: Magic Little Grants Grants of £500 for local charities that support and inspire people to participate in sports or exercise. Localgiving have announced they will support projects that help people to stay active during social distancing, such as online fitness classes delivered via video conferencing software or Youtube.
- The <u>Sylvia Adams charitable</u> trust. The Trust will make grant to organisations working to improve the life chances for some of the most disadvantaged children aged 0-3yrs by investing in early intervention and preventative work. More grants available in response to current crisis.
- <u>Aviva Community Fund</u> open until 5th May. Aviva is sharing out £250,000 among UK Aviva employees, giving them the chance to decide which projects they want to back personally. Eligible organisations may apply for funding of up to a maximum of £50,000 and Aviva employees will then decide how the funding should be distributed.
- The Coronavirus Mental Health Response Fund (DHSC) Small grants up to £20,000 and large grants up to £50,000 for charitable organisations able to respond to an anticipated increase in the need for mental health support as a result of COVID-19. Applications close 8th May
- <u>Hope for the Young COVID-19</u> Emergency Fund. Micro-grants up to £250 to support groups working with young refugees/asylum seekers during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic
- <u>Sport England</u>: Sport England has announced a £195 million package to support the sector and an initial three-month period of significant flexibility to reflect current circumstances. This includes a Community Emergency Fund with grants between £300 and £10,000 available.
- Bath RAG Funding. Small charities that could benefit from small amounts of funding related to Covid-19 are invited to apply via RAG (£1000 initially). Please email ragstaff@bath.ac.uk

#### **UP COMING MEETING/ EVENTS**

Carers' Centre are holding a Family Fun 'ZOOM' afternoon Saturday 9th May 2-4pm. They are teaming up with Captain Fantastic a children's entertainer to run an afternoon full of games, magic and dancing. Email <u>laura.perry@banescarerscentre.org.uk</u> for more information.

#### **TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**

The following E-Learning / resources are available through the B&NES Learning Pool.

Торіс	Description
Introduction to Safeguarding and Child Protection	This e-learning module will help you to understand the importance of child protection and how everyone can keep children safe from abuse.
Awareness of Forced Marriage	This e-learning course has been developed with the Forced Marriage Unit of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and Home Office.
Safeguarding and Child Protection Workbook	This workbook provides an overview of the topics covered on the one-day Standard Child Protection course. It is not intended to replace attendance at a face-to-face course but will give basic information to support learning at this time, when classroom- based courses are not available.
Child Sexual Exploitation	This e-learning module provides an overview of Child Sexual Exploitation, covering a variety of topics including, Spotting signs of CSE, assessing risk, the appropriate steps to take and helping those affected by CSE.
Children of Prisoners	This e-learning course provides an engaging introduction to the significant, but unknown, number of children who are affected by the loss of a parent or carer to prison.
Female Genital Mutilation (FGM)	This e-learning training provides safeguarding professionals with an overview of FGM and their responsibilities in FGM cases. It also contains information on how to prevent FGM and helps professionals support those who have been subjected to it.
Safeguarding - volunteers	A handbook and video which serve as an introduction to understanding safeguarding and what action to take when concerns arise.

The following event will be run on Skype, If you are interested in participating in the session, please email your request to <u>childrensandadultsworkforce\_training@bathnes.gov.uk</u> Androulla Nicolaou (the trainer) will send joining instructions including a conference access code prior to the session for those who are booked.

Торіс	Description	Course Details
Child Exploitation	This course an introduction to Child Exploitation and will incorporate information on sexual and criminal exploitation and online grooming. The session will be delivered by Androulla Nicolaou - Prevention Officer and Coordinator, Topaz Child Exploitation Team, Avon and Somerset Constabulary	15 May 2020 2pm – 3.30pm

For free volunteer training please go to:

Wellbeing college - free volunteer training Or contact <a href="mailto:ralph.lillywhite@mungos.org">ralph.lillywhite@mungos.org</a>

Thank you for talking the time to read this e-bulletin. Please do keep sending in events and news to share with the sector. Now, more than ever, it is so important for us to come together and share knowledge and resources. If I can help in any way please don't hesitate to get in touch,

Kind regards, Gilly Samuddin

Children and Young People's Network Coordinator