



DVA E-Bulletin

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Welcome to the first DVA E-bulletin of 2011

The E-bulletin will be sent out 10 times a year, usually around the middle of each month.

It will give you the latest news, details on upcoming events, jobs and opportunities, and links to videos and websites that we think will interest you.

You don't have to be a member to get the E-Bulletin, and it is free!

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TRAINING PROGRAMME AT DUNDEE VOLUNTARY ACTION

PQASSO TRAINING PROGRAMME

A programme of training sessions centred around PQASSO will commence in January 2011 at Number Ten

- Monday 31 January – PQASSO Information Session - Full day
- Friday 11 February – Information Session for Funders – Half Day
- Wednesday 23 February – Information Session on PQASSO Quality Mark – Half Day

What Benefits Would PQASSO Bring To Our /Your Organisation?

- "Health check" your organisation and make sure you are fit and ready for the future
- Develop the areas that will bring most benefit to you and your service users
- Improve the quality of information gathering and decision making
- Build more effective relationships with funders, partners and service users
- Achieve your intended outcomes and deliver the community benefits that are most needed

How Can We Do This At The Same Time As Doing Our Core Work?

- Dundee Voluntary Action and Volunteer Centre Dundee are here to support you all the way
- 2 days of training for one or two people from your team enables you to start
- We have qualified and Licensed PQASSO Mentors available to support your work

- Many of the processes can be done alongside existing work
- The workload is spread over a period of time to suit your own purposes

How Can We Afford To Do This?

- Act now and it will cost you less than you think – read on!
- Some places will be available free of charge
- The first 6 organisations to book will get a free PQASSO work pack, worth £100
- Places are limited, so note your interest quickly

Who Do I Speak To For More Information?

- You can find out more about PQASSO by going on line to www.ces-vol.org.uk
- You can get more information about this course by contacting the PQASSO team at Number Ten
 - Heather Gouck, 01382 305705
heathergouck@number10.org
 - Philippa Lyttle, 01382 305725
award@volunteerdundee.org.uk
- To book a place contact
 - Hazel Imrie, 01382 305731 hazelimrie@number10.org
 - Heather Gouck, as above

IT TRAINING PROGRAMME

A programme of training in Microsoft Office Applications will run throughout February 2011. These sessions will be aimed at beginners and those with little or no experience in the packages. A follow on programme for intermediate and advanced users will take place later in 2011.

Tuesday 1 February 2011	Powerpoint for Beginners
Thursday 3 February 2011	Word for Beginners
Tuesday 8 February 2011	Outlook for Beginners
Tuesday 15 February 2011	Access for Beginners
Wednesday 16 February 2011	Excel for Beginners

For further information on any of the IT sessions please contact Heather Gouck, 01382 305702 heathergouck@number10.org
To book a place contact Hazel Imrie, 01382 305731, hazelimrie@number10.org or Heather as above

SuicideTALK

SuicideTALK is a short exploration and awareness raising session. The talk encourages participants to explore their attitudes and feelings about suicide, based around the question "should we talk about suicide?" It is practice-dominated and allows open and honest dialogue for anyone at all who is interested. It takes around two hours, with the content adapted to meet the needs of the group.

By dispelling the myth that talking about suicide promotes suicidal behaviour, SuicideTALK provides a solid foundation for suicide

prevention. It aims to reduce the stigma surrounding suicide and promote awareness within the community whilst providing an opportunity for networking among participants.

The talk is a good starting point for anyone who would like to learn more about suicide and attitudes surrounding the issue. It will help you to:

- Be aware that opportunities to help a person with thoughts of suicide are sometimes missed, dismissed and avoided.
- Give people with suicidal thoughts the chance to invite your help.
- Tell, Ask, Listen and KeepSafe
- Activate a suicide alert

SuicideTALK Training will take place on Wednesday 9 February at 2 pm. For further information contact Heather Gouck, 01382 305702 heathergouck@number10.org
To book a place contact Hazel Imrie, 01382 305731, hazelimrie@number10.org

Please Note

suicideTALK is not suitable for persons who have been recently seriously affected by suicide, nor does it teach the complete set of suicide intervention skills. If you wish to learn suicide first aid intervention skills then book for an ASIST workshop. For further information about suicide prevention / intervention training please contact ruthbrown@number10.org

CHARITY LAW TRAINING

The overall aim of the course is to increase the compliance of small charities with charity law and regulation. It will be delivered over 2 days at Number Ten by Christine Lowden, who is an authorised charity advisor.

Friday 11 February 2011
Friday 18 February 2011

For further information please contact Christine Lowden, 01382 305740, christinelowden@number10.org
Or Heather Gouck, 01382 305702 heathergouck@number10.org
To book a place contact Hazel Imrie, 01382 305731, hazelimrie@number10.org or Heather as above

VOLUNTARY SECTOR TRAINING DAY: ADULT SUPPORT AND PROTECTION

Two half day sessions are being offered on Monday 21 March 2011, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. They will take place at the Social Work Balmerino Road offices. Coffee/tea will be provided but no lunch. The session will be made up as follows:

Prof Hogg, Independent Convenor of the ASPC, will commence the session and will input on safeguarding adults at risk in Dundee, what we are aiming for, what is harm, who is at risk and the role of the Adult Support and Protection Committee locally.

Dave McCaw will speak to the relevant legislation ie the Adult Support and Protection (Scotland) Act 2007, the Adults with Incapacity Act 2000 and the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003, and how they interlink.

Social work staff and a police rep will talk about the work of the adult protection unit, identifying when someone has been harmed, reporting concerns, risk assessment, operational procedures, multi-agency guidelines and whistleblowing.

There will also be an opportunity for any questions from the floor.

It is also hoped to have someone present from the Learning and Workforce Development Unit to possibly provide information on further training opportunities

For further information please contact Heather Gouck, 01382 305702
heathergouck@number10.org
To book a place contact Hazel Imrie, 01382 305731,
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FURTHER TRAINING

Further sessions are planned for March onwards in the following areas:-

- Managing Challenging Behaviour
- Mainstreaming Equalities
- Using Plain English
- From Sick Note to Fit Note
- Constitutions
- Protection of Vulnerable Groups
- Using the Internet
- PREVENT – Preventing Vulnerable People from Becoming Radicalised

For further information contact Heather on 01382 305702,
heathergouck@number10.org

Please let us know of any training or development needs your organisation might have. In partnership with others we can deliver training on a variety of topics including IT, Customer Service, Preparing a Budget, Managing Finances, First Aid and Equal Opportunities to name but a few.

**Training and Information Co-ordinator. Heather Gouck
Please email heathergouck@number10.org
or telephone Heather on 305702.**

Explaining the Difference

½ day workshop – Dundee – 27th January 2011

What is Explaining the Difference (ETD)?

- an innovative approach to evaluation
- a programme for learning how to show the impacts and outcomes of your work supported by a resource pack of materials

It is delivered in partnership and collaboration with

- Learning Link Scotland which is the national intermediary supporting and representing voluntary adult learning organisations in Scotland
- Evaluation Support Scotland who work with voluntary organisations and funders so they can measure their impact, report on the difference they make and improve their services

When we ran the programme previously, participants were able to:

- Evidence the impact of their work
- Improve their skills in self-evaluation
- See clear links to SOAs and National Outcomes

The workshop is part of the national CLD Upskilling Programme 2010-2011 and is FREE to attend –

To book a place, visit: <http://www.lluk.org/scotland/cld-upskilling-programme/national-training-programmes/>

Or for more info:

Shirley Grieve, Head of Practice Development, Learning Link Scotland: sgrieve@learninglinkscotland.org.uk

Tel: 0131 553 7992

DVA Newsletter

Copy available at <http://www.d-v-a.org.uk/>

Or contact Hazel on 305731 or email hazelimrie@number10.org for a copy.

Dundee Women's Festival

Copies of the Dundee Women's Festival Guide now available from DVA website

At www.d-v-a.org.uk or from Number Ten Reception

Funding

Jubilee People's Millions

Got a great idea for a project to inspire your community? Want to involve local people working together to tackle a problem? Know what you want to do but need some money to make it happen? **The Jubilee People's Millions** could be the answer! You have 4 weeks left to enter - [find out how here](#)

Climate Challenge Fund

re-opened for applications: £10.3m is available for community group projects to reduce carbon emissions.

Cashback for Communities Small Grants Scheme

has been awarded a further £500,000 to support local, volunteer led groups to enhance their programmes for young people and get positive projects off the ground.

Grants of up to £1, 000 are available for start-up costs and up to £2,000 for programme or activity costs.

The Small Grants Scheme is targeted at groups that do not have the services of paid youth work staff i.e. the group and the programme is managed and delivered by volunteers.

For more information, visit the **CashBack for Communities section of the Youth Scotland website.**

Deadline: The next Small Grants Scheme funding deadline is 1 March 2011.

Consultations

Dementia Strategy for Scotland Consultation

The Scottish Government has asked the Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland to facilitate the development of standards for care as set out in the Dementia Strategy. These standards will cover all stages of the dementia journey and will apply across all care settings.

This work is being taken forward by a steering group with an independent chair, Professor Mary Marshall. The steering group has a wide membership that includes people with dementia, carers, Alzheimer Scotland and the Mental Welfare Commission amongst many others.

The steering group would like to invite anyone with an experience of dementia as a person diagnosed, a family member, carer or as a health, social care or housing professional or as a service provider, to attend **one** of the events taking place across Scotland in February 2011

11 February 2011 – Dundee
10am till 12:30pm

Discovery Point
Discovery Quay
Dundee, DD14XA

<http://www.dundeeanforum.org.uk/viewnews.php?id=30>

Gift Aid and the Scotland Bill

Gift Aid is going to be affected in a big way by the new Scotland Bill. The UK Government is looking for SCVO's views on whether UK rates or Scottish rates should apply to Gift Aid given by Scottish donors and received by UK charities.

If Scottish rates are used there are implications for increased bureaucracy so there is a trade-off involved. If you have view on this please

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/3Z7QNPP>

Employment

VOLUNTEER DEVELOPMENT WORKER
£19,925 - £22,049 (pro rata) per annum

DUNDEE – 21 hours over 3 days per week (Temporary to cover maternity leave)

Bield Housing Association is a leading Scottish provider of housing and support for older people. We have a well established and successful volunteer programme that supports our work across Scotland. We are looking for a motivated individual to contribute to the continued development of the volunteer programme within our supported housing in Dundee.

You will play a key role in the ongoing recruitment and support of volunteers; develop and implement volunteer projects within our supported housing, and promote our volunteering services to service users and staff. Above all you will bring a commitment to the ethos of volunteering and a genuine interest in enhancing the quality of life of older people.

The successful candidate must have well developed communication and organisational skills as well as experience of leading and supervising staff or volunteers. **A current, valid driving licence is essential to carry out this post and it is desirable that you have use of your own car (mileage payable).**

Bield encourages further training and development of all staff and offers 7 weeks annual leave and a final salary pension scheme with a 15.8% employer contribution. We have a flexible working scheme in operation.

For further information and an application pack please telephone 0131 273 4020 (answering service) or 0131 273 4071 (general enquiries) or web site at www.bield.co.uk

Closing date for returned applications is Friday 28 January 2011. Interviews will be held on Thursday 10 February 2011.

Scottish Charity No SC 006878

Striving to be an equal opportunities employer

**Other Employment Opportunities are available from
DVA Web Site**

We hope you have found this helpful