

## Building Bridges by strengthening our communities



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*The Building Bridges project is a two-year initiative which is being delivered with partner organisations across Coventry - including Positive Youth Foundation, St Francis Church of Assisi, Coventry Refugee and Migrant Centre, Foleshill Women's Training and West Midlands Police.*

*Would you like to know what we have achieved this year?  
Keep reading.....*

# Giving back to communities...



## Building Bridges by Strengthening Communities



FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE PROJECT:

**89 PEOPLE**

completed ESOL Employability course and all students completed 15 hours a week of volunteering



**14 PARTICIPANTS**

have got into paid employment



**64 PEOPLE**

have completed IT classes



**40 SESSIONS**

ESOL employability sessions

# Improve and Develop Skills...



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FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE PROJECT:

**12 ESOL CLASSES**

**2 UASC CLASSES**

**3 WOMEN ONLY CLASSES**

**75 ONE - TO - ONE IAG SESSIONS**



# Improve and Develop Skills...



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FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE PROJECT:

**11 VOLUNTEERS**

have completed train the trainer and now deliver



**131 PARTICIPANTS**

have attended ESOL classes

**175 HOURS**

have completed a month of ESOL as volunteers



**88 PEOPLE**

have attended IAG sessions

# Youth Integration...



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FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE PROJECT:



**125 STUDENTS**

have attended School Aid Hubs

**8** have gone into mainstream school

young people from 3 school completed week - long work placement for 30 hours **69**

**3** have gone on to do an apprenticeship with PYFF

have set up a social enterprise **2**

# Local Authority Asylum Support Liaison Officers

*as part of the migration team, Local Authority Asylum Support Liaison Officers (LAASLOs) aim to facilitate the smooth transition for those granted refugee status from government-supported accommodation into mainstream services during their 28-day 'move on' period.*

**LAASLOs:**

**300**

working so far

**Clients**

**MANY**

got into employment related courses and activities

**Clients**

**HOSTED**

to showcase the work we do. Including visiting partners and clients

**MHLCG and  
The Home Office**

**FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE PROJECT:**

**5 People**

got a paid job

**1**

**National LAASLOs workshop**

**LED**

with the presentation and shared best practice and knowledge with other LAASLOs and guests from the Home Office and MHLCG.

## Positive Stories...



- *Rawi came to the UK on the structured program, he had a keen interest in sports. He began attending the BB Football session, and joined the team, taking part in many tournaments. He was then given the opportunity to complete a 'first for sport FA level one coaching qualification'.*
- *Rawi was then later introduced to Snowcamp National Youth Charity (SNYC), from a taster session he was selected to do a level 1, 2, and then the XL Level 3 course 10 week program, with a trip to the French Alps. On the residential trip he was voted young person of the week for his talent and skill development*
- *Rawi achieved a Level 1 Snow Sports and snowboarding Coach. As well as Safeguarding training and First Aid Training. He is now a joint apprentice at Positive Youth Foundation, and SNYC. With his position at Snowcamp it has allowed 30 more young people from Coventry to be given the same opportunity to receive training.*

# Positive Stories...



*Young people, from host community and newly arrived communities - who led and delivered the Refugee week conference 2019, participating on an event that Sponsor Refugees Foundation of Citizens UK in partnership with Helen Hayes MP. It was a parliamentary event and part of the Refugee Week 2019.*

*The event was led by refugees of different organisations around the theme "You, me and those who came before"*

*At the Parliament, the YP attended an event in which Refugees that moved to the UK over 10-15 years ago, shared their inspiring stories. It was a way to motivate and enlighten the YP.*

## Hi, my name is....!



*A great idea during World Book Day from staff of Positive Youth Foundation, led to some amazing stories written by students of Lyng Hall School. Those amazing books were handed over to the students in their last day of school.*



## "Facilitating intercultural discussion on sexual health among forced migrants".

Participants had the chance to attend "Facilitating intercultural discussion on sexual health among forced migrants". The conference was organised by "New Routes Integration" from University of East Anglia and took place at Wesleyan Chapel in London. Our participants took part in workshops with other organisations (Baca, Bloody Good Period) and lots of people in the sector.

They had the chance to discuss case studies but mostly had fun. For one of them it was the first time in London and two of them the first time on tube.



## Our new sessions...



### "Baby Box" Sessions

Weekly classes to support pregnant women and those with children under three years

An open space for parents and babies

Topics relevant for all parents, like nutrition, sleep and child safety.

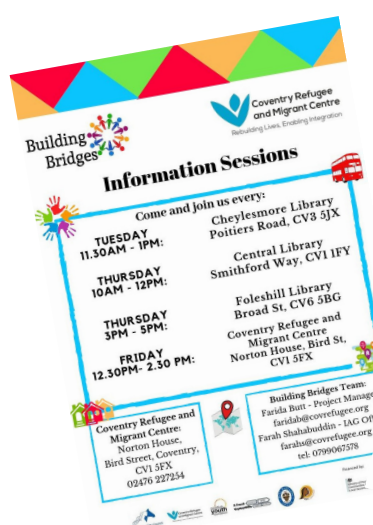
Free Tea, coffee and snacks.

Every Monday, 12:30pm - 2:30pm, beginning 9th September, 2019 at Coventry Refugee and Migrant Centre.



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### Current affairs coffee morning

Join us to discuss current affairs in the news and issues in your community.

Let us know what language you need the newspaper in, and we will provide it.

TUESDAY 9.30AM - 11.30PM AT COVENTRY REFUGEE AND MIGRANT CENTRE.

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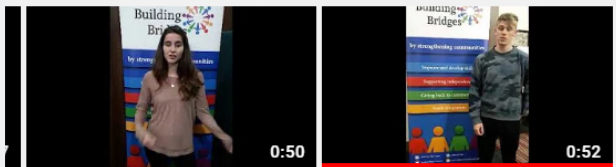
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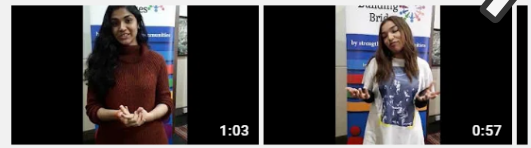
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