

Summer with (Generation) Hope

This summer, Generation Hope young people have been busy socialising and working on behalf of Hope UK.

In London, Generation Hope young people have gone ice skating, had a day out at the beach, visited various parks and had pizza/video evenings.

Meanwhile, in Glossop, our GH group meets regularly to practice music together—hopefully they will be our first (for GH) band or orchestra.

A group of older young people ran a stand at Soul Survivor in the summer—teaching young people about alcohol and other drugs, and helping them consider useful life skills. They also went to workshops and seminars, stayed in tents, and dressed in unusual costumes (cosplay). A smaller group also ran the same kind of thing at Summer Madness in Northern Ireland.

At the start of September they hosted their first Generation Hope ball, inviting their friends to join them in a social evening followed by a sleepover. If you have a small group of young people who you think would benefit from having a wider friendship group of like-minded young people, why not encourage them (or bring them) to one of our events—you can find more information on our website, www.hopeuk.org/young-people/generation-hope/



Hope UK Sponsorship Initiative



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AWESOME**

WHETHER IT'S THE LONDON MARATHON OR A LOCAL WALK, A BAKE SALE OR AN EVENING OF MUSIC, DO SOMETHING AWESOME & RAISE MONEY FOR HOPE UK.

THE *HOPE UK SPONSORSHIP INITIATIVE* MEANS THAT HOPE UK WILL REIMBURSE 25% OF ANY SPONSORSHIP YOU RAISE, UP TO THE COST OF THE EVENT.

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for more information and to register

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Hope UK Weekend - 5th—7th October

Once a year Hope UK has a weekend where we like to encourage our friends and supporters (that's you!) to help us share about our work.

We are looking for people who might be interested in talking about Hope UK for five minutes—at their church or organisation, maybe - or people who might like to invite some friends for coffee and cake and share a bit about us.

Maybe you'd like to invite a volunteer to speak somewhere, or arrange for a detached stand somewhere local to you?

If you think you would be interested, please contact us—enquiries@hopeuk.org, or look at our website, where we have a variety of resources you can download—ideas, bunting, games, recipes, etc

<https://www.hopeuk.org/raising-funds/fundraising-packs/>

Nice to hear from you!

In the last letter from our CEO, Sarah, she invited you to let us hear something about you. (Since you hear all about us!)

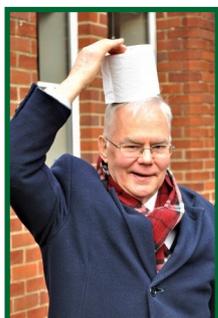
We would like to thank all of you who responded. Since we didn't actually ask permission to pass on anything you told us, we won't say anything specific.

However, respondents included people who were former members of the Band of Hope (including a couple in their 90s who used to attend when they were children). Others had not belonged to the Band of Hope but were long term supporters of the organisation.

Some had heard about us as a result of attending something where a volunteer or staff member had taken a session, and a couple of former staff members also got in touch. We also heard from a few people who used to be volunteers with us. (And we are always happy to have you back...)

Please keep in touch with us—we love to hear from you (and about you), as it helps us know there are others supporting our work and willing to get involved in some way to help young people stay safe and be equipped for life.

Introducing some Volunteers



John
Has been with Hope UK a VERY long time—and is a highly effective fundraiser (He is also fit enough to play cricket...)



Osas
Has only been with us a very short time, but is already regularly running a detached stand in a library and taking sessions.



Elizabeth
Is also a long-serving volunteer, helping with both sessions and admin. If you meet her she WILL talk to you about Hope UK

Chris

Is about to leave us, to go and work in Africa. He has spent the last few years regularly doing detached work in Swansea and helping at GH events—especially ones involving camping



Introducing our Newest Staff Member

Graham Tilney has just joined us as our Senior Administrator. He will be based in Kettering. You can contact him at g.tilney@hopeuk.org. He says: "My career started in the music retail business as a teenager in Norwich where I was born and bred. We moved to Northamptonshire in 2007. I have worked for a women's refuge charity and a drug, alcohol and homeless rehabilitation charity where I learnt about the issues facing people of all ages in society today. As the father of a teenage boy and foster carer of a twelve year old boy, I am dedicated to the ethos and services that Hope UK provides and am committed to playing my part in enabling the excellent work to grow. Away from work, I am responsible for much of the music at my church and have been playing keyboard instruments since I was a child. I enjoy walking in the countryside and have recently started doing the Kettering Parkrun with my wife."



Volunteer as a Drug Educator



Children and young people are at the heart of Hope UK's mission.

Our mission is to equip young people to make drug-free choices.

Our vision is to see young people develop the knowledge and life skills needed to make healthy choices around drug-use, and to be able to transfer these skills into other areas of their lives.

"Overall, we have learnt not to take drugs because we are beautiful smart children"
- Student, London



Hope UK's Drug Educators...

- Volunteer in their local community
- Take sessions/informal activities with young people and adults
- Are trained to help prevent drug related harm
- Receive accredited training and ongoing support

If you...
Share our vision

And are...
A drug and alcohol-free Christian

...We'd love to hear from you.

Please visit www.hopeuk.org/volunteering or call 020 7928 0848 for your FREE information pack.

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Vacancy - Fundraiser

We are looking for a fundraiser to join our team.

If you, or someone you know, might be interested, please contact Chloe on enquiries@hopeuk.org

OR call her on 020 7928 0848.

She will send you further information.

Is your information up to date?

We hope you enjoy hearing from Hope UK, about our work. However, we are aware that we may be contacting an organisation and the person we used to mail has moved on—or maybe you would prefer not to hear from us any more.

Please contact us at enquiries@hopeuk.org if you would prefer not to hear from us again (or call us on 020 7928 0848)

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