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The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service 2012

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN has been graciously pleased to confer Her Awards in 2012 upon the following groups in recognition of their outstanding voluntary work in the community.

East Midlands

Voluntary Group

Volunteer Skippers and Crew Peter Le Marchant

Inter-Care Medical Aid for Africa

Borrowbrook Home Link

Market Harborough in Bloom volunteers

The Pera Foundation

Friends of Rushcliffe Country Park

The Hope Project

The Ear Foundation

Activity Description

Crewing our specially-designed canal boats for disabled and seriously ill people regardless of age or ability.

Recycling donated surplus UK medicines for people in African countries.

Supporting the isolated elderly in maintaining independent lives.

Enhancing the visual impact of the town through floral displays and environmental initiatives.

Transforming young lives.

Conserving and developing park amenities for community use and enjoyment.

Supporting families through social and community events.

Providing family focused support and education to deaf children.

East of England

Voluntary Group

Gateway Community Media

The Volunteers of the British Schools Museum

Caister Volunteer Lifeboat Service

Havens Christian Hospices

Manningtree Community First Responders

Sing your Heart Out

Homeless Action Resource Project

Activity Description

Providing educational support to young people through radio communication skills.

Facilitating learning and vocational opportunities for all within a historic complex of classroom buildings.

Saving lives of those in danger on the sea and shores of the East Anglian coastline.

Providing a supporting role to staff, patients, children and their families.

Providing trained support to the local community and the East of England Ambulance Service in life threatening emergencies.

Holding singing workshops for people with mental health issues.

Provision of services and training to people living in limited circumstances.

Guernsey

Voluntary Group

Guernsey Bereavement Service
Wigwam Support Group

Activity Description

Providing support and counselling for the bereaved in the community.
Providing friendship, support and advice to families, friends and carers involved in special needs childcare.

Jersey

Voluntary Group

The Jersey Arts in Healthcare Trust

Activity Description

Enriching the lives of people in healthcare through live performances and art.

London

Voluntary Group

The South Eastern Branch of Fine Cell Work
The Connection at St Martin's Volunteers

Activity Description

Training prison inmates in the art of professional needlework.
Supporting vulnerable sections of society with practical and emotional advice.

North East

Voluntary Group

Blyth Youth Rugby
Tyne Sound News

Activity Description

Promoting participation in sporting activities to schoolchildren.
Providing an audio news, information and entertainment service to those with sight impairments.

North West

Voluntary Group

Happy Mount Park Volunteers
Diversity in Barrier Breaking Communications
Dee Sign BSL Choir

Chester Adult PHAB Social Club
Mersey Weaver District Scout Council

Middleton Popstars Academy of Performing Arts
The Salford Diocese Catholic Fellowship for the Handicapped

Activity Description

Maintaining a woodland area and garden for local community use.
Providing disadvantaged people with radio broadcasting skills.
Supporting people who are D/deaf and D/deafblind through music, deaf awareness and fundraising.
Supporting people with and without disabilities to integrate.
Helping young people achieve personal development skills through events and activities.
Offering performance opportunities to young people with disadvantaged lives.
Providing social needs support to children and adults with physical or learning difficulties.

Northern Ireland

Voluntary Group

TS Duke of York Portrush Sea Cadets
Women's Aid ABCL & N. Volunteers

The R T Autoparts Group Volunteers

Activity Description

Providing nautical training and social community inclusion to young people.
Supporting women and children experiencing domestic abuse through accommodation and community based services.
Supporting local charities through fundraising events.

Scotland

Voluntary Group

Moray Council on Addiction
Galashiels Blind Club
Inverness Hospital Radio

Nith Inshore Rescue
Summerhill Community Centre Volunteers
Clydebank Asbestos Group
Jewish Care Scotland
Linlithgow Union Canal Society

Activity Description

Providing counselling services to people affected by addiction.
Providing social activities for those with sight loss and the sighted.
Forty years of continuous dedicated broadcasting to patients in Highlands hospitals, recognising the therapeutic value of requested music.
Responding to people in distress in coastal waters and flooding.
Developing and facilitating a wide range of services in the heart of the community.
Supporting victims of Asbestos related illnesses.
Providing support to vulnerable and elderly Jewish people.
Encouraging visitor participation in restoration and recreational use of the canal.

South East

Voluntary Group

Blue Apple Theatre

The Falcon Rowing and Canoeing Club Volunteers
Unity 101 Community Radio
Southampton Hospital Broadcasting Association
New Forest and District Sailability
Carterton Lions Club

Friends of Shanklin Theatre
Isle of Wight Railway Company
Child Contact Centres Maidenhead and Slough

St Wilfrid's Hospice Chichester

Aylesbury Vale Rural Community Care Service

Slough Refugee Support

Slough Homeless Our Concern
Rivertime Boat Trust
Daisy's Dream
KANGAROOS
Volunteer Centre Wokingham

Demelza Hospice Care for Children volunteers

The Lightbox Volunteers

Ashford & St Peter's Hospital NHS Foundation
Trust Volunteers
Watts Gallery Volunteers
Sholing Valley Study Centre Association
Chatham Dockyard Historical Society
Citizen's Rights for Older People
The Chiltern Centre for Disabled Children

Nepalese Help—Maddhat Samuha
Les Webber's Angling Projects

Activity Description

Supporting people of all abilities who take part in high quality theatre, dance and film performances.
Providing river based sporting activities for children and adults of all abilities.
Promoting community cohesion through a multi language broadcasting service.
Helping to keep patients entertained and in touch since 1952.
Supporting disabled people through recreational sailing.
Providing a broad spectrum of service and support activities benefitting the Oxfordshire community and wider population, with appropriate fundraising.
Developing and maintaining the facilities of the Theatre for community use.
Providing a community facility for visitors and railway enthusiasts.
Providing a safe and secure environment for families to meet after a relationship breakdown.
Giving voluntary support to provide high quality palliative and end of life care to local people in need.
Specialist support provided by AgeUK Bucks daycare volunteers for older people and their carers.
Assisting in empowering refugees and asylum seekers in achieving their right to settle with dignity in the Slough community.
Providing a safe environment and community integration for the socially excluded.
Providing river based activities to disabled and disadvantaged children and adults.
Supporting children and families facing bereavement.
Providing social activities to children and adults with learning difficulties.
Promoting volunteering, social care and community action through brokerage and community service programmes.
Assisting with the needs led specialist care service to children and young people unlikely to reach adulthood.
Supporting gallery and museum staff in the provision of social and educational projects.
Making a difference to patients and their families.
Conserving an historical heritage centre for social and educational public use.
Maintaining and improving an urban space through education and active conservation.
Preserving the artifacts and displays of the Royal Dockyard Museum for visitors.
Providing a free independent advocacy service for older people.
Providing short break respite care to children with complex disabilities and their families.
Supporting Nepalese immigrants integration in the UK.
Providing residential angling and education courses to schools and local organisations.

South West

Voluntary Group

Friends of Devonport Park
Yelvercare
Witness Service Avonvale

Torbay Prostrate Support Association

KingsCare League of Friends

STAK

Carefree

Torbay Hospital League of Friends
Swindon Therapy Centre for Multiple Sclerosis
Naval Area Community Organisation
National Coastwatch Prawle Point Devon

National Coastwatch Institution, Dorset Region

Bere Ferrers Community Shop & Cafe
Crisis Centre Ministries
Dorset Action on Abuse

Bluez n' Zuz
The Wilts & Berks Canal Trust

Wilton Riding for the Disabled
National Association for Children of Alcoholics

Activity Description

Restoring and preserving parkland for local community use.
Supporting the community through a volunteer service provision.
Providing practical and emotional support to witnesses and their supporters when they come to court.
Providing empathetic information to people living with cancer and fundraising for innovative treatments.
Providing therapeutic social activities, transport, befriending and holistic care to patients in Kingsteignton.
Supporting the vulnerable and needy in our community with hot meals, friendship, help and advice.
Giving young people in and leaving care the chance to do things for themselves and others.
Providing services to patients, staff and visitors to the Hospital.
Giving practical support through therapy to patients and families.
Supporting Armed Services families to alleviate stressful situations.
Maintaining a visual watch around the coastline of South Hamms for the safety of others.
Keeping the community safe by providing highly trained eyes along the coast 365 days a year.
Providing an essential community amenity in a rural village.
Supporting homeless people through food, care and life skills training.
Working to aid the recovery of adult survivors of childhood abuse through counseling and support.
Providing a safe environment for young people to socialise.
Conserving, restoring and improving a Wiltshire, Swindon and Oxfordshire canal network benefitting the community and its environment.
Involving young people and adults with social needs in horse riding activities.
Providing information and support to children affected by parental alcohol abuse and those concerned in their welfare.

Wales

Voluntary Group

Student Volunteering Bangor
Cancer Aid Merthyr Tydfil
Rhayader First Responder Scheme
Cruse Bereavement Care Morgannwg

Activity Description

Supporting student volunteers working in the community.
Helping those whose lives have been touched by cancer.
Assisting with medical emergencies in a rural community.
Somewhere to turn to when someone dies.

West Midlands

Voluntary Group

Gardening Around Leamington Spa
Halesowen Athletic and Cycling Club
North Staffs Heart Committee

Wem Amateur Dramatic & Operatic Stage Door
Youth
Elford Hall Garden Project

Solihull Hebrew Congregation Thursday Club
Pathway Project
Rugby Bareboards Trust

The Little Princess Trust
Boulton Paul Aircraft Heritage Project
Dorstone's Front Room

North Staffordshire Special Olympics
Side by Side Theatre

Staffordshire Adults Autistic Society
Kewford Eagles Football Club
Shackerstone Church Restoration Trust

Activity Description

Restoring neglected public spaces for community use.
Involving people of all ages in sporting activities to improve their health.
Improving and advancing Cardiac Care in the region with superior hospital and First Aid equipment and services.
Providing theatre workshops for children of all abilities and backgrounds.
Inclusive involvement of all volunteers in restoring a Grade II listed walled garden and grounds for public use.
Providing support, advice and a social hub for the vulnerable elderly.
Supporting victims of domestic and sexual abuse.
Relieving poverty through the collection, refurbishment and distribution of household goods.
Providing wigs to children suffering hair loss through cancer treatment.
Preserving the history of aviation in the West Midlands.
A self-sustaining community and local resource centre for parishioners and visitors to a rural village in Herefordshire.
Providing sports training and competitions for people with learning disabilities.
Working alongside adults with learning disabilities, developing their self confidence and self esteem through use of performing arts.
Providing Autism awareness support through life skills training, activities and events.
Providing children of all abilities with a safe environment to play football.
Restoration of a Grade II* listed building.

Yorkshire and the Humber

Voluntary Group

Castaway Goole

Mires Beck Nursery

Otley SC Sailfree—RYA Sailibility

Bluebell Wood Children's Hospice Volunteers

Hope North East CIC

Scarborough and Ryedale Mountain Rescue Team

Activity Description

Using musical theatre to provide life-enhancing opportunities for adults and young people with learning and physical difficulties.

Enhancing the lives of people with learning disabilities through horticultural training and work experience.

Giving sailing opportunities to young people with physical and learning difficulties.

Donating time, enthusiasm and fundraising ensuring continuation of care to children with shortened life expectancies.

Providing a recovery programme for addicted and homeless prison leavers.

Saving lives in wild and remote places.

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