

Byte Night



HOW

ACTION FOR CHILDREN

WORKS

5th October 2018

East Anglia | London | Midlands

North East | North West

Northern Ireland | Scotland East

Scotland West | South West

Thames Valley | Wales



What is Byte Night?

Byte Night is the UK's **largest corporate charity sleep out event**. Since 1998, each October employees throughout the technology and business community have spent a night under the stars to combat youth homelessness.

We hope you will too.



We succeed by doing what's right, doing what's needed,
and doing what works for children.

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How Action for Children works.

- We help children who can no longer live with their birth families
- We support disadvantaged young people including young carers
- We work with families in crisis and intervene early to stop neglect and abuse
- We make life better for disabled children and their families

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One in 10 children in the UK experience neglect.

One in 10 children, aged five to 16 years of age, suffer from a diagnosable mental health disorder - that is around three children in every class.

1 in 10 sixteen year olds provide at least 30hrs care per week

Around 83,000 homeless young people receive help from homelessness services each year.

Youth Homelessness.

- Around 83,000 homeless young people receive help from homelessness services each year.
- Around 150,000 young people ask their local authorities for help because they are homeless or at risk of homelessness.
- There are around 35,000 young people in homeless accommodation at any one time across the UK.



Youth Homelessness.

- One in four homeless young people have a diagnosed mental health problem.
- One in five homeless young people (21%) have self-harmed.
- Half of adults who are homeless now, were homeless for the first time before they were 21.

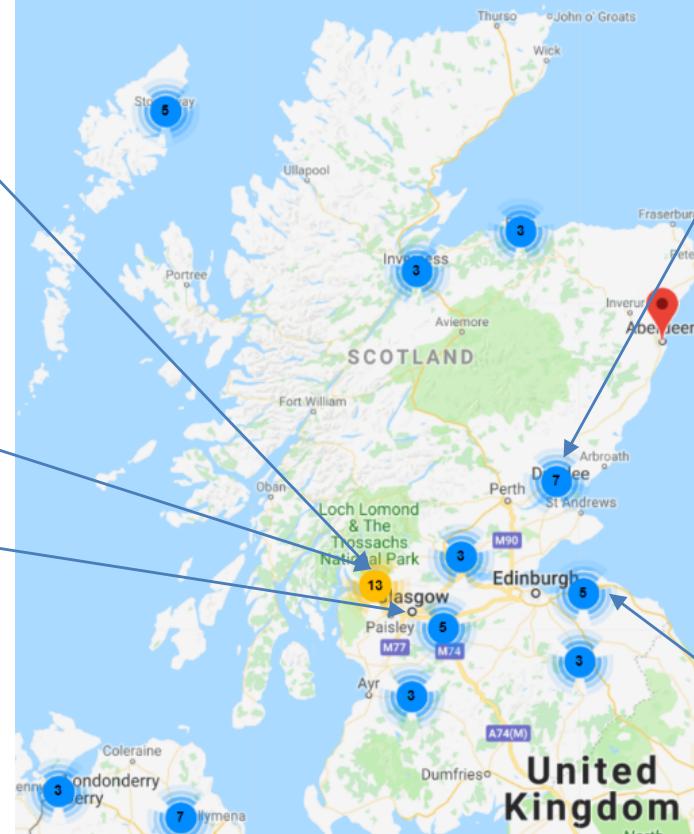


Where Action for Children works.

Preparation for Life in Alexandria is a residential homeless project working with up to 10 young people aged 16-21 at a time.

Canal Service in Kirkintilloch provides similar support.

GENR8 in Easterhouse keeps young people from living on the streets or couch-hopping at friends, helping them find homes and offering advice on issues like budgeting, cooking and “managing the door”.



Dundee Youth Housing helps homeless young people by providing access to accommodation, and support to help them live independently through education, training and employment opportunities

New Horizons finds emergency and short-term homes for vulnerable young people aged 16-25 who are homeless or threatened with homelessness. They often have abusive family backgrounds, and have nowhere else to turn

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New Horizons.



Our story.

- Ronin, Luke, Nicole

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Byte Night.

- £10 million since 1998
- Top 20 UK fundraising event

In 2017:

- 1,500+ sleepers
- £1.25 million raised
- 10 events, 11 locations



Byte Night 2018.

Friday 5th October.

Edinburgh, Glasgow and across the UK

- 1500 + sleepers
- £1.6 million to raise
- 12 events
- 21st Anniversary Year



The Format.

Reception

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| 6.00pm | Arrival and registration |
| 8.30pm | Warm meal |
| 9.30pm | Quiz, entertainment, fundraising auction and raffle |
| 11.00pm | Outside to the sleep-out area |

Sleep out

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| Midnight | Bed time! |
| 6.00am | Breakfast |
| 7.00am | All sleepers home to their warm beds and showers |



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Why join us.

- Excellent networking opportunity
- Great team building exercise
- Raising valuable funds
- Make a positive difference to young lives



Some of the company we keep.



Morgan Stanley



How you can get involved.

- Sleep out at Byte Night
- Help us spread the word
- Volunteer
- Introduce us to your networks
- Ask us about corporate sponsorship
- Speak to us about joining the Byte Night Scotland Board

Register at bytenight.org.uk



How Byte Night helps.

- Moving On packs helping young people kit out their first home with basics like an iron, a kettle, a set of pans and cleaning items
- Large items too - fridge, cooker, bed, sofa
- Support groups teaching essential skills like cooking
- Gifts for young people including toiletries, clothes and tokens at Christmas. Many young people don't have family to provide these



How Byte Night helps.

- Electricity cards for young people we support taking on their first home
- Winter jackets, footwear and clothing for interviews
- Outings and activities for young people supported at our services
- Helps ensure Action for Children services are there for young people when they need us most



Changing lives.

Jane - Thank you for always helping me whenever I wanted help or even just wanted a little chat.
Susan - I will miss the movie nights we have when you are on night shift.
Lauren - I will miss our random chats about Harry Potter and having Fifa nights with me, you and Marc.
Aaron - Thank you for helping me fill out my EMA and bursary forms and sorting everything out for me.
Charley - Thank you for telling me about the life changing rustler burger hack and forgetting me a new bed.
Kirty - Thank you for teaching me new ways to cook exotic foods.
Robert - I will miss your random outburst into song.
Jacquie - I will never forget to do my chores once I leave.
Megan - Thank you for taking me and Ronan up to the fort to get new ~~old~~ clothes
JanJan - I will miss how welcome you made me feel when I first moved in.



To Staff at New Horizons

I'd like to thank every single member of staff for being there for me when I needed any sort of help. I can safely say that I would definitely not be in the position I am now without all of the staff's help.

Even though I knew what I wanted to do from the moment I moved into New Horizons, I am certain that I wouldn't be moving on if it wasn't for every single member of staff helping me through every step of the way.

I'd finally like to say that this stage of my life has been one of the best due to the fact that it has allowed me to do exactly what I want in life.

Love from

Jordan
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Thank you.
Any questions.

