

SKILLS 4 COMMUNITIES NEWSLETTER

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SOLOMON AND HIS BIKE

Before Solomon joined Skills4Communities on the Work Programme he struggled to find work. Since Solomon joined he started a training course at Barchester Health Care Home in Hull.

Solomon successfully completed his training and currently works night shifts on weekends. He then secured full-time work throughout the week at Aldi Shopping Centre in Beverley. Solomon happily settled in, but worried about transport for his weekend night shifts.

Skills 4 Communities was able to help Solomon with some funding towards a bike and now he has no issues on getting to and from his job on time.

WELL DONE SOLOMON!



A FEW TWEAKS HERE AND THERE...

This month, we have been making a few changes to the internet café and the training room. We have a new “who’s who?” board so you can identify us all when you walk in and become familiar with our lovely faces. Check out our feedback board in the training room; we invite you all to come and write your thoughts, suggestions and improvements to our services. Let us know what needs doing and we will do our utmost to do it.

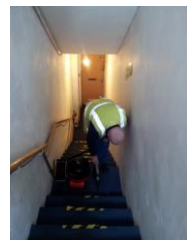
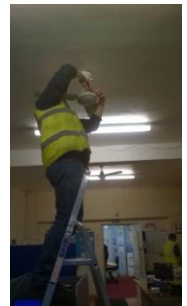
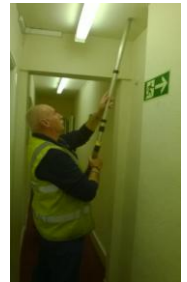
VOLUNTEERING: “GOOD FOR THE SOUL”

Mark, a volunteer here at Skills 4 Communities, has made a great impression. Not only has he demonstrated his adeptness at building maintenance he has become a key member of our team, invaluable to us who rely on him for so many aspects of the day-to-day running of the organization. Among the skills that he has demonstrated he has also:

- Gained a qualification in Food Hygiene
- Completed an ICT and Employability training workshop which helped him move closer to the labour market
- Built the confidence to apply for at least two jobs every day

Mark can turn his hand to almost anything. Everyone was amazed when he transformed a tired outside area into a small garden with a picnic bench. This was perfect for lunch breaks over the summer. Mark, as always, did a great job.

“After speaking with many volunteers, including Mark, the one factor that is always expressed is their choice to volunteer. There is no pressure from anyone; it’s absolutely their decision to help make a difference. And that triggers a great sense of achievement.” – Tony [Finance Manager]



NEW IDEAS FROM THE MARY T COLLECTIONS

Our sewing department is very valuable to us. Not only do they teach women of all ages and nationalities textile skills, but help them to gain confidence in themselves. This is how the fashion line: Mary T Collections began. Inspired by the people of all different cultures who come to learn sewing skills, Maria, with the help of Nene, has planned and put together a fashion show, launched the online site and are now planning to get into the city to tell people about the clothes that are to offer. The money gained from them will serve to help the women that come here to put their lives back on track, find employment, provide for their families and realize their true potential.

The Next Customer Focus Group:

4/11/2014 | 10.30am

Centre 88, Saner Street, Hull, HU3 2TR

**FOR MORE DETAILS, SEE OUR CUSTOMER
NOTICE BOARD IN MAIN RECEPTION**

Come along to the next one...

Our last focus group was a real success. The participants felt empowered as they shared their thoughts on their experience at Skills 4 Communities. It is important that we hear your opinions concerning our services. This is so that we may improve what we do for the future. So please come along if you can.



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