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## Celebrations!



Reactiv8 was proud to be nominated and be a **finalist** for the Offender Rehabilitation Award for the Police Crime and Commissioner Awards "Women who make Bedfordshire Safer". The award ceremony was held on Monday 23 July at Kings House, Bedford. It was nice to be recognised for the positive work we are doing across Bedfordshire to reduce re-offending and rehabilitate those with offending backgrounds.







#### Our Services

We provide a range of services to schools, colleges, employers, businesses, probation services, job centres, prisons and individuals seeking support with their employment, training, educational or behavioural needs:

Mind-set Empowerment Workshops Employability Training

**CSCS Card Training** 

Qualifications: Level 1 Health and Safety in a Construction Environment / Level

2 Health and Safety At Work

Bespoke Mentoring

GB Boxing Awards and other Sports and Fitness

School Support - staff and students

Corporate Team Building Events / Days

If you are interested in accessing our services, then get in touch: <a href="mailto:info@reactiv8.org.uk">info@reactiv8.org.uk</a> / 07966 685530

# Free opportunity for 16-18 year olds

Calling all those young people aged 16-18 about to embark on an apprenticeship in the new academic year. We are offering a **FREE** three-day programme that will get you ready for your apprenticeship, help improve mind-set as well as providing you with a Level 2 qualification in Health and Safety in the Workplace. For more information, get in touch today to secure your place: <a href="mailto:info@reactiv8.org.uk">info@reactiv8.org.uk</a> / 07966 685530

# CSCS Are you looking to get work on a construction site?

Then you will need your CSCS card and your Level 1 qualification in Health and Safety in a Construction Environment.





The Level 1 Award in Health and Safety in a Construction Environment PLUS Construction Skills Certificate Scheme (CSCS) Card Training is a two-day training course, leading to a five year CSCS Green Card PLUS a QCF recognised qualification.

Options include:

cscs card Training only - £149 inc. test fees. One-day course (six month green card without the Level 1 Award).

Level 1 Award Qualification Only - £199 inc. test fees. One-day course.

Both the qualification and CSCS card training - £247 inc test fees.

Two-day course (five year green card).

For more information contact Reactiv8, an accredited centre of the British Safety Council.

Venue:

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# Greetings Cards

We have over 50 greetings and motivational cards to choose from. Samples of which are below. Buy to inspire others or yourself! Insides are left blank for your own wording.

#### Order today!

£2.25 each or 5 for £10 and 10 for £20. Contact us: info@reactiv8.org.uk.



# **Building Better Opportunities**







BBO is funded by The Big Lottery Fund and European Social Fund. The Big Lottery Fund uses money raised by National Lottery players to help communities achieve their ambitions. From small, local projects to UK-wide initiatives, its funding brings people together to make a difference to their health, wellbeing and environment. Following completion of our programmes to date, all clients reported back that they had:

- Reduced barriers to employment
- Raised their aspirations and increased their motivation
- Gained a better understanding of employment opportunities
- · Gained the necessary skills for employment

We have completed our work with ex-offenders where our results have been really positive and successful. We are proud that we exceeded our employment outcome target for this project. In addition, 100% of participants felt they reduced their barriers to employment, 100% have raised aspirations and increased motivation as a result of the programme, 100% have gained a better insight into employment opportunities, and 100% have learnt at least one new skill that makes them employable.

### Careers and Enterprise





We are pleased to announce that our CEC (Careers Enterrprise Company)
Contract through Develop EBP has been renewed due to the success that we have had in the twelve schools we worked with in the last academic year. The schools we have delivered to in 2017-18 include: Mark Rutherford, Bedford Academy, Wootton Upper, Kempston Challenger Academy, Putteridge High, Hazeley Academy, Cardinal Newman, All Saints Academy, Lord Grey, Sir Herbert Leon, Lea Manor, and Priory Academy. The feedback from the students we worked with was so positive and they wanted more!

The programme for schools, which is called 'Jump Start' is delivered as twelve group sessions followed by 1:1 bespoke mentoring tailored to help identify progression routes and career pathways based on the foundation work carried out with the students in the group session. It helps students raise their aspirations, increase their motivation and develop their employability skills whilst at the same time empowering them to take control of their future. The impact on the students included: instilling self-confidence, creating a positive mind set, increasing the student's self-worth, teaching them how to set goals, build on them and achieve them by creating plans to enable them to do so.

If you are a school interested in a FREE programme aimed at Years 8-10 that helps students develop their social and interaction skills, identify goals, identify strengths and weaknesses and raise self-esteem, understand the power of the mind, and enhance literacy and numeracy skills, then get in touch TODAY! This will programme will be offered to schools in Bedford, Central Beds, Milton Keynes and Luton on a first come first served basis.

# TCHC - Northamptonshire NEETs Project



We are currently working in Northamptonshire on a contract for those aged 15-24 who are at risk of becoming NEET or who are currently not in employment, education or training. Our results to date show that we are on track with our targets in supporting young people back into employment, education and training. We are delighted to have delivered another programme at Huxlow Science college, helping the students gain a Level 2 qualification in Health and Safety At Work, as well as improving their mindset, behaviour and attitude in school.

If you know anyone age 15-18 who is NEET, or 19-24 who is NEET, and has a learning difficulty or disability then please get in touch with us via our website: http://www.reactiv8.org.uk/ContactUs.aspx



We have been working in HMP Bedford since January, and proud to have had our contract extended due to the positive impact we are making on the prisoners.

One participant used a car as an analogy to describe themselves and said, "
Imagine you're an old banger and you're always breaking down. But you can't
afford to buy a new car, or have the old one replaced. Instead of scrapping the
old car, you take it to reactiv8. They take a good look at the car, and decide that
the best way to stop me from breaking down again is to replace all my old worn
out parts with brand new shiny parts and slowly re-build the car. I have not
broken down since. I would like to thank Michelle and the reactiv8 crew who
have taken their time to help people such as myself and without their support, my
world would be a lot worse off than what it is today".

### Reactiv8 Team 2018-2019

Michelle Crook - Managing Director / Tutor / Mentor

Conroy Downer - Project Manager / Tutor / Mentor

Phil Johnston - Tutor / Mentor

Amun Kalyan - Support Tutor / Mentor

Alicia Downer - Support Tutor / Mentor

Jamie Goss - Military Tutor / Fitness Specialist

Asifa Latoo - Support Tutor / Mentor

Ramona McCormack - PA / Admin

Marian Brewer - Admin

Angela Bowdon - Admin / Website and Social Media Manager

#### Best Wishes

Reactiv8 wishes Marian Brewer a speedy recovery after her hip replacement operation.. We are sure you will be back on your feet in no time at all.

#### Extra Mile Award winners 2018

In recognition of the sterling efforts our staff make throughout each and every month, when a member, or members, go that extra mile. So far this year the staff who have received the award are:

January - Amun Kalyan

February - Phil Johnston

March - Jamie Goss

April - Alicia Downer

May - Amun Kalyan

June - Phil Johnston

July - Marian Brewer

August - Ramona McCormack

## Want to make a difference?



Do you have a passion for making a difference to the lives of others? We are looking for volunteers to join our passionate and friendly team. If you have a genuine passion for helping others and want to make a difference then contact us today:

http://www.reactiv8.org.uk/ContactUs.aspx