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THE NEWS

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Offender Rehabilitation Award Winner!

Reactiv8 is delighted to announce that we were nominated and won The Offender Rehabilitation Award 2019 for the Police Crime and Commissioner Awards "Women who make Bedfordshire Safer".

We are proud to have received this recognition for the work our team does in supporting the rehabilitation of ex-offenders, which has been called life-changing.

This year the award ceremony was held on Wednesday 3 July 2019 at Wrest Park Orangery in Silsoe, Bedfordshire.



Building Better Opportunities



BBO is funded by The Big Lottery Community Fund. The Community 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.

In the last three months we have run two successful BBO programmes with fifteen participants. The last group concluded in December with all the participants showing increased motivation, enthusiasm and confidence with a number in a position to secure employment.

VERU - Violence and Exploitation Reduction Unit

Reactiv8 is pleased to have secured funding from VERU, the Violence and Exploitation Unit. The funding is to be used to target young people from across Bedfordshire to reduce the risk of them being drawn into gang culture, violence or lawlessness.

We are also pleased to say that we have already secured a place with Farley Junior School to work with their young people. The programme will combine group sessions and 1:1 bespoke mentoring. Starting in January it will conclude in February with a Celebration event.

This programme will support a VERU key aim and objective of: *Educating and preventing young people from getting involved in serious violence, such as work in schools.*

We hope this will be the start of a successful partnership with VERU.

Bedfordshire Police and Crime Commissioner

From April 2019 until March 2020 Reactiv8 have secured funding through the Bedfordshire Police and Crime Commissioner to work with ex-offenders across Bedfordshire and at HMP Bedford. We have successfully delivered seventeen programmes at HMP Bedford and four programmes in the community, with some great successes.

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TCHC - Cambridgeshire NEETs project

We are currently running a programme for 15-24 year olds in Cambridgeshire for those at risk of becoming NEET or who may already be NEET. To date we have delivered to Longsands Academy and two cohorts of students from Hinchingsbrooke school, Years 10 and 11. Students' feedback from the programmes has been very positive.

One student said they feel much happier and feel more confident to speak up about their true feelings. While another commented: "This programme has helped me think more positively, and has helped me with my behaviour in school."

If you are a school, based in Cambridgeshire looking for some FREE support to those at risk of dis-engagement from school, then get in touch with us.



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Welcome to our team

We welcome Shaunte and Dawn to the Reactiv8 team:



Shaunte Harris
Tutor/Mentor



Dawn Walton
Business Development
Manager

Staff extra-mile award

In recognition of the sterling efforts our staff make throughout each and every month, when a member or members go that extra mile. From May 2019 to December 2019 the staff who have received the award are: -

May - Amun Kalyan
June - Marian Brewer
July - Shaunte Harris
August - N/A
September - Ramona McCormack
October - Trish Caswell
November - Dawn Walton
December - Conroy Downer

Experienced Lead Tutor/Project Manager required

Reactiv8 wishes to commission an experienced Lead Tutor/Project Manager

This post has arisen due to the successful extension of Reactiv8's "Reach For The Stars" programme, which is part of the Building Better Opportunities Support into Employment Programme. *This project is funded by the European Social Fund and The National Lottery Community Fund.* "Reach for the Stars" supports ex-offenders from Bedford Borough, Central Beds and Luton back into Employment, Education or Training.

For more information please visit the homepage of our website and click on the link:
<http://www.reactiv8.org.uk>