

SOME CIVIL-SOCIETY and HUMAN RIGHTS ORGANISATIONS IN NEWCASTLE/GATESHEAD (work in progress) with thanks to Claudia Härterich

Organisation	Area of work	Contact	Phone	Need Volunteers?
1 Black And Ethnic Community Organisations Network (BECON)	Facilitating networking amongst BME organisations in the North East England. Facilitating BME organisations to influence policy and practice.	Contact Person: Richard McLeod Telephone: 0191 272 2339 Email: information@becon.org.uk Address: Black And Ethnic Community Organisations Network 34 Grainger Park Road Newcastle Upon Tyne NE4 8RY		Yes, interested people can work as mentors, contact shamalia@becon.org.uk
2 Changing Lives Newcastle	Changing Lives is a national, registered charity which provides specialist support services for thousands of vulnerable people and their families every month. We support people to make positive, lasting changes in their lives. We work with people experiencing homelessness, addiction and a range of other problems by reaching out in to our communities. We offer specialist support	email: central.office@changing-lives.org.uk	Tel: 0191 273 8891	yes www.changing-lives.org.uk/get-involved , contact person: Ashley Duncan
3 Conversation Group - practise English at Star	Informal weekly English language conversation practice to meet people and learn language skills. Open to people with any or no level of experience. The group aims to be inclusive and anti-discriminatory. New volunteers and members very welcome! 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Tuesdays April 2015	Contact Person: Hannah Email conversationgroupnewcastle@gmail.com		The Conversation Group is looking for enthusiastic volunteers who have the confidence to support people to practise English language skills.
4 Save the Children – Born to read project	Fundraising events, collections and speaking out about Save the Children's work at home and around the world. We are always looking for new volunteers in our shops, fundraising branches, to speak to communities about our work, and much more. Please contact us for more information or to register as a volunteer.		Contact Person: Jen Birch j.birch@savethechildren.org.uk 07826 672267, volunteersupport@savethechildren.org.uk	yes
5 Borderline Books Gateshead	collect books that are no longer needed by publishers, shops, libraries and individuals and redistribute them free of charge to organisations working with survivors of domestic abuse, homeless people, ex-service men and women, former prisoners, young offenders, children's homes, hostels for young people, refugees and those applying for asylum and vulnerable adults and children	Contact Person: Amina Marix Evans Telephone: 0780 725 5721 Email: borderlinebooks02@gmail.com		yes, send mail to books@borderlinebooks.org
9 Gateshead Foodbank		info@gatesheadfoodbank.org	Telephone 0191 487 0898	If anyone would like to volunteer they need to visit our website http://gateshead.foodbank.org.uk/ and either download an application form or email into application@gatesheadfoodbank.org and request an application form. We would then obtain two references and a DBS check before we can accept you. Further information on the website http://www.actionforchildren.org.uk/get-involved/volunteer-with-action-for-children
11 Action for Children	Action for Children is a charity that supports and speaks out for the UK's most vulnerable and neglected children and young people, for as long as it takes to transform their lives. We work directly with more than 250,000 children, young people, parents and carers each year and run more than 650 services across the UK. Supports disabled people to speak up for themselves and have more control over their lives. Offers short courses planned and run by disabled people, monthly groups and training to professionals		ask.us@actionforchildren.org.uk	yes, contact person: Nick Bold (on holiday at the moment), Telephone: 01912818737
12 Skills for People		Contact Person: Liz Wright (Chief Executive) Telephone: 0191 281 8737 Email Address: information@skillsforpeople.org.uk Address: Key House Tankerville Place Newcastle upon Tyne NE2 3AT		yes, contact person: Nick Bold (on holiday at the moment), Telephone: 01912818737
13 Outpost Housing Project	Outpost works with young people aged 16-25 who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or who think they might be, and are homeless.	Tel: 0191 281 0099 Fax: 0191 281 0090 Email: contact@akt.org.uk , admin@outpostproject.org Address: 1 Osborne Road Newcastle NE2 2AA	http://www.akt.org.uk/2/spg422/albert_kennedy_trust_helping_young_lgbt_people/akt_outpost.aspx	General information on volunteer roles http://www.akt.org.uk/2/spg523/albert-kennedy-trust-helping-young-lgbt-people/can-you-help/volunteers/volunteer-roles.aspx
14 NEWCASTLE AND GATESHEAD CENTRE AGAINST UNEMPLOYMENT	The Centre provides advice on a wide range of subjects including welfare rights (tribunal representation), employment, industrial benefits (redundancy counselling service) and asylum rights advice.	Telephone: 0191 232 4606 Email Address: ne1lee@fsmail.net Address: 4 Cloth Market Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 1EE		sent second e-Mail today
15 North of England Refugee Service		Newcastle upon Tyne: 1 Charlotte Square (Rear), Newcastle, Upon Tyne NE1 4XF; Tel: 0191 245 7301 Fax: 0191 222 0985 Open: Mon - Fri 9.30am - 5pm; Wednesday pm emergencies only; Email: biggmarket@refugee.org.uk	http://www.refugee.org.uk/	yes, come around and fill in a volunteer form
16 Gateshead Winter Warmth Partnership Regional Refugee Forum		Tel: 0191 423 6255 Fax: 0191 423 620, http://www.refugeevoices.org.uk/rcos/rf-members	Telephone: 0191 477 1919 Regional Refugee Forum North east Design Works William Street Felling Gateshead NE10 0JP	sent second e-Mail today
19 British Red Cross	Supports asylum seekers and refugees to access essential services and adjust to life in a new country. Trading & messaging service – working to relocate family members lost in conflict, natural disasters and migration.	0191 273 7961 http://www.redcross.org.uk/where-we-work/in-the-UK/Northern-England/County-Durham-and-Teesside-Northumbria-and-Cumbria	Croft House, Western Avenue, Newcastle-Upon-Tyne, NE4 8SR	yes
20 Freedom from torture		The Alan Smithson Rooms City House 1-3 City Road Newcastle NE1 2AF Email: northeast@freedomfromtorture.org Tel: 0191 261 5825 Fax: 0191 222 1211 http://www.freedomfromtorture.org/about/15/5254		yes, contact details: 0191 2615825 or northeast@freedomfromtorture.org
21 Gateshead Visible Ethnic Minority Support Group	help children and families in need, specially from ethnic minority and asylum seeker communities	Contact Person: Bahal Singh Dhindsa MBE, Telephone: 0191 487 3059 Tel: 0191 257 8519 Fax: 0191 257 8541 Email: info@theredcard.org	vikas@gemarts.org	sent second e-Mail today
22 Show Racism the Red Card	Anti-racist education charity		The Linskill Centre Linskill Terrace North Shields	We are not looking for any casual volunteers at the moment, although there are future possibilities e.g. we may need a regular social media volunteer or an archive volunteer but this is only in the early stages at the moment.
24 West End Refugee Service	West End Refugee Service (WERS) is a registered charity which provides support services for asylum seekers and refugees in a friendly, welcoming environment. The range of integrated services aims to address the disadvantage, exclusion and poverty which affect asylum seekers and refugees living in the West End of Newcastle upon Tyne.	Tel: 0191 273 7482 Fax: 0191 256 7862, Email: info@wers.org.uk	West End Refugee Service, St Philip's Vicarage, St Philip's Close, Arthur's Hill	yes, the contact person is Sarah Smart
25 Beyond Borders Tyneside		07599 300682, beyondborderstyneside@riseup.net		yes, contact 07599 300682 or beyondborderstyneside@riseup.net

26	Gateshead Volunteer Countryside Rangers	Like minded people who manage who help to manage over 30 countryside sites in Gateshead.	Contact Person: Jayne Calvert, Telephone: 0191 4333524, Email Address: jaynecalvert@gateshead.gov.uk	http://gateshead.gov.uk/Home.aspx	
30	Greenpeace Newcastle	Contact us via gp_newcastle@hotmail.co.uk or call Rakesh at 07950 488467	We meet on the first Monday of every month from 7pm to 8:30pm at Tea Sutra, 1st Floor, 2 Leazes Park Road, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 4PF	https://greenwire.greenpeace.org/uk/english/groups/newcastle-greenpeace , https://uk.pinterest.com/greenpeace/	yes, contact us via gp_newcastle@hotmail.co.uk or call 07950 488467
32	Age UK Gateshead	We are an independent, local charity working for and with older people across Gateshead.	General: 0191 477 3559, Volunteering Opportunities: sharon.dryden@ageukgateshead.org.uk	Age UK Gateshead, 341-343 High Street, Gateshead	Volunteers are vital to our work - we couldn't run our services for older people without their kindness and hard work - and we always need more volunteers. Whatever your skills we can help you find the right project for you. Volunteering vacancies: http://www.ageuk.org.uk/gateshead/how-you-can-help/volunteering/urgent-volunteer-vacancies/