



West Yorkshire Destitute Asylum Network (CIO)

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Dear Friends,

Thank you

In this Refugee Week, I write on behalf of the WYDAN Trustees to express our heartfelt thanks for all that you, and everyone who support the WYDAN Accommodation projects, provide to the benefit of our guests.

Whilst the time, energy and commitment you give is significant, it's the open hearted way in which our volunteers engage, caringly, respectfully and non-judgementally with our guests that sets apart the difference that's made. It is a huge life enhancing service that's provided.

Treasurer and Bookkeeping

As some of you know, our Treasurer Andrew Rathbone, is standing down after long service with WYDAN. This creates an opportunity for people with accounting / bookkeeping skills to come forward and help the charity in these capacities. If you possess those skills and may have the time to commit to the tasks (or know someone who ought to be asked) please consider and give us a call to have a conversation.

Donations and Fundraising

Over the last two years, WYDAN have been blessed with significant public money grants, which have enabled us to concentrate on establishing and developing the Gipton Night Shelter. We are now turning our attention to sustaining the provision that's been established. To that end, we will continue to seek significant grant income, but will also need to maximise the fundraising capacity of our support base, i.e. our volunteers and the organisations, churches, etc. to which they belong. We invite you to consider what you may be able to encourage or contribute in this regard. An early opportunity would be to join us, or sponsor us, on any of the variety of sponsored walks planned for Friday 19th and Saturday 20th July (see enclosed flyer for details).

With much appreciation for who you choose to be

Yours sincerely,

Ted Britton
WYDAN Chair of Trustees