

Training

The Scarman Trust Manchester are now offering a range of training courses for community and voluntary groups which can be tailored to your individual or group needs.

The courses will take place in convenient community based venues, delivered by experts in their field.

If you or your group are looking for training please contact the Scarman team to discuss your needs.

The current training programmes on offer are listed below. This isn't an exhaustive list so let us know what you are looking for and we will endeavour to support you appropriately. You can get in touch with us by ringing 0161 998 9262 or e-mailing www.support.manchester@thescarmantrust.org

- Becoming a charity, Ltd Company or social enterprise
- Interpersonal skills and communication.
- How to run an effective meeting
- Assertiveness

As this is the last newsletter of 2005, the staff and I at the Scarman Trust would like to offer you our best wishes for the forthcoming festive period, and hope you have a prosperous New Year.

Peter MacDonagh, Director for The Scarman Trust Manchester

- Food hygiene
- Policies & procedures – child protection, equal opportunities etc.
- Roles and responsibilities of committee members
- Health & Safety – policies, risk assessments, manual handling
- HR – i.e. recruitment & selection, employer liability
- Business planning/development
- DDA requirements (Disabilities Discriminations Act)
- Recruiting and working with volunteers
- First aid
- Local fund raising
- How to write a successful funding application
- Financial monitoring and budgeting
- Team building

The Scarman Trust Manchester are looking to recruit two members of staff over the next few weeks, so keep checking our website for further details.

ERDF Website

The Office of the Deputy Prime Minister has launched a national European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) website. The site is designed to provide individuals and organisations involved or thinking about becoming involved in ERDF projects with improved access to a wide range of information. The site also makes it easier to identify the availability of funds and raises awareness of ERDF projects happening around the regions. www.erdf.odpm.gov.uk

B&Q Better Neighbour Grant

Through the Better Neighbour Grant Scheme, schools, community groups and charitable organisations can apply to their local B&Q store for funding to support a local community project.

The grants are available to help get a community project up and running. The scheme provides £50 to £500 (at retail cost) of B&Q materials. www.diy.com/grants

CN4M Award nominations

The Community Network for Manchester is launching its first ever awards in recognition of community empowerment. Network participants can nominate people who have made a significant contribution to their communities in the last year.

There will be four categories of awards:

1. An employee from the Manchester City Council,

or other public body

2. A councillor
3. A community member acting as a volunteer
4. A paid worker from the voluntary and community sector

For further details and an application form visit:

www.cn4m.net

or contact Cath Taylor on

0161 234 2920,

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Wish to comment or submit an article? Email support.manchester@thescarmantrust.org or phone 0161 998 9262

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Jobs

Black Health Agency (BHA) Project Co-ordinator

Part-time – 21 hours per week, £22,512 pro rata

BHA are seeking to recruit a part-time Project Co-ordinator to join the 'Drugs and Race' team, which works to ensure that BME drug users and their families have access to quality treatment and support.

Initially a temporary position until 31st March 2006. Further funding being sought to continue the post until March 2007.

For further details of the position contact Nilam Prinjha on 0161 232 5389. For an application pack, contact Lisa Parry on 0845 450 4247 or e-mail lisa@blackhealthagency.org.uk
Closing date for applications: 5pm Friday 25th November 2005

For upcoming positions within The Scarman Trust please visit:

www.thescarmantrust.org

Wish to submit job opportunities?
E-mail: support.manchester@thescarmantrust.org
or phone 0161 998 9262

Spotlight

Gorton Festival Revives Spirit

In September, Gorton Park played host for the third year to Gorton Festival. "Through the hard work of local residents, schools, churches, organisations



Glenise Waterfield, the Chair of the Gorton Festival Steering Group

and community groups working together, we staged another wonderful event, which brought all ages together before, during and after the event. This is what the festival is all about. With music and dance performances, a football competition, face painting and a funfair

preceding the lantern procession to represent the 'light' in Gorton. The Festival attracted over 4000 people, including the Rt Hon Gerald Kaufman. It was a wonderful experience to speak to Ursula Hussain, our local

Scarman Trust development worker, and to feel that we were given help, support and guidance, which we found invaluable in the planning and support for the Festival 2005. This helped us by not only being put in touch with organisations and other groups that

could help, but by others contacting us, after Ursula had advised people of our existence and activity. We shall certainly be using her again next year!

We are now thinking about next year's event and welcome our whole community and beyond to get involved (especially in the areas of events planning and fund raising) and keep our ever expanding 'Spirit of Gorton' alive. We would also like to invite Manchester City Council to actively promote next year's festival, to build on the successes of the last three years to make it an even bigger and better community event in the years to come, so that Gorton can start to play its crucial role in completing the regeneration of East Manchester."

To get involved or for further information, please contact Glenise Waterfield on 0161 220 9820

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Support Sessions

The Scarman Trust Manchester provide regular Support Sessions based in communities and neighbourhoods across the City of Manchester in local easily accessible venues.

Regular Support Sessions are held at the following venues:

- Hulme Library
- Old Moat Children's Centre, Withington
- Longsight Library
- Levenshulme Library
- Chorlton Library
- Newton Heath Library
- Miles Platting Library
- Gorton Library
- The Grange, Beswick
- The Wells Centre, Clayton
- Royal Oak Community Centre, Wythenshawe
- Harpurhey Neighbourhood Project

For the dates and times of the Support Session in your area please give us call on 0161 998 9262 or e-mail support.manchester@thescarmantrust.org

Volunteering

Introducing SAM

Volunteer Involving Organisations do excellent work, but find it hard to take time out to look at the work they do and how they could improve. North West Network has developed SAM Volunteer Management, a Self Assessment Manual for organisations that involve volunteers in their work. With coaching and facilitation support from North West Network, volunteer managers are able to use SAM Volunteer Management as a development tool to look at what they do, why they do it and how they can improve their volunteer programmes.

SAM Volunteer Management can be used as a tool for:

- Starting Up: Organisation/Individuals setting up a volunteering programme for the first time.
- Trouble shooting: Organisation/Individuals that are experiencing difficulties within certain aspects of their volunteering programmes.
- Continual Development: Existing volunteer managers of all levels of experience who want to continually review and develop the quality of their volunteering programmes.

For information about accessing this coaching facility, please contact your Scarman Trust Manchester Development worker on 0161 998 9262 or e-mail support.manchester@thescarmantrust.org

CARES – Free Help from local business

CARES is a Business in the Community initiative which gives free help to community groups and voluntary organisations in Greater Manchester.

Over 20 large companies are giving their employees a chance to volunteer in their local community. So far this year they have given over 1000 hours to projects such as helping to improve the decor of community centres, enjoying a day out with older people, making environmental improvements.

If you could use a team of between 3 and 22 volunteers for a day contact Janice Watson on 0161 233 7777 or email janice.watson@bitc.org.uk to find out more.

Time 2 Share

As part of 'The Year of the Volunteer' BBC Radio 2, in partnership with TimeBank, have launched 'Time 2 Share', a new initiative enabling people to become volunteers. The campaign hopes to recruit Radio 2 listeners to work for and with the nation's charities and organisations, as well as make a difference to local communities.

If you're interested in using your free time to do something that may help your community, a school, a charity, an organisation, or a single individual, log on to www.bbc.co.uk/radio2/time2share

Events

Local and national events will be regularly featured, so let us know about your event for inclusion in future issues of the newsletter.

Anxiety Disorders Awareness Week

21-26 November 2005

The National Phobics Society and its sister organisation Destigmatize have organised the first week long event to raise awareness of anxiety disorders and related conditions.

For more information contact Nicky Lidbetter on 0870 122 23 25, e-mail: nationalphobic@btconnect.com or visit:

www.phobics-society.org.uk

Youth Explosion Weekend

Saturday 26 November: 12pm until 7 pm

Sunday 27 November: 11am until 1.30pm

Manchester Christian Assembly, Ancoats
An event for all the communities in East Manchester with FREE admission.

Workshops for age groups 7 to 11 years old and 12 upwards. All the family are welcome, with food and refreshments available. Dance, DJ, MC and singing workshops provided by well known UK artists.

For more details please call: 0161 203 5242 or 07958 349 600

Christmas Pantomime – Cinderella

Friday 2 December 2005 doors open at 6.15pm

Ladybarn Community Centre

Tickets available from the centre, Royle Street, Fallowfield

£5 single, £15 group of 4
Great event for all the family!

Telephone: 0161 225 2093 for more information

The Mystery Club

Resource Pack Available

The Mystery Club is a

voluntary organisation that has developed an events resource pack for young people that promote good citizenship and discourage crime and anti-social behaviour. The aims and objectives of the project are to actively engage children in methods of or thinking about crime prevention. For further information please email Karen: kaz7ouk@hotmail.com (quoting the Scarman Trust Manchester Newsletter)

Wish to promote your event? Email your details to support.manchester@thescarmantrust.org or phone 0161 998 9262

Funding News

Manchester Airport Community Trust Fund

The Trust Fund is a registered charity, which allocates money donated by Manchester Airport for the benefit of the local community. The Trust makes grant awards to support eligible charitable projects that have a community, social or environmental focus, based within an Area of Benefit local to the Airport.

For further information contact Tina Large on tel: 0161 489 5281 or e.mail: trust.fund@manairport.co.uk

Co-op Support Programme

The Community Support Programme aims to encourage community involvement through supporting voluntary and community groups and

organisations in line with co-operative principles. The types of projects that may be funded are:

- support and development of new and existing community groups
- clubs, community centres and transport schemes
- those that encourage people to work with others who have similar needs and problems

For further information contact The Co-operative Foundation office on 01706 202032 or visit www.united.coop

Manchester Valuing Older People Small Grants Scheme

Grants can be from a few pounds up to £1,000 and are available to small community groups.

For more information or

an application pack, contact Sally Chandler on 234 3513 or e-mail: s.chandler@manchester.gov

Funding from Community Foundation

The Community Foundation has over 40 different grant streams for voluntary and community groups across Greater Manchester.

For details of the grants available visit www.communityfoundation.co.uk or call 0161 214 0940

Police Authority Grants for Community Groups

Organisations active in local communities can apply for grants from £100 to £1000. Applications considered twice a year.

For further information contact Melanie Tomlinson on 0161 793 3851, e-mail:

melanie.tomlinson@gmpa.gov.uk, or visit: www.gmpa.gov.uk

Lifestyle Grant – Heart Research

The Lifestyle Grants programme was launched in 2001 and has an objective to support lifestyle interventions in communities to prevent or reduce the risk factors of heart disease. For further information please call our Lifestyle Officer on 0113 297 6206, or visit www.heartresearch.org.uk

More funding opportunities will be available on-line. www.thescarmantrust.org (click on REGIONS – NORTH WEST)

Contact us concerning any Funding opportunities you would like promoted: 0161 998 9262 or support.manchester@thescarmantrust.org

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The Can Do Exchange for Manchester is an online 'social market-place'. It enables you or your group to trade, share or swap your resources and skills.

On the website you will find all you need to put your ideas into action and get your project off the ground.

You can register for free and get started straight away by visiting: www.manchester.candoexchange.org

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NEW Spanish Community on the Exchange

The Can Do Exchange in association with Skillkit (www.skillkit.com) is developing an online facility offering interesting Spanish-related information. Joining the site is FREE and will give you access to like-minded people, groups and organisations interested in all things Spanish. There are all the usual Exchange facilities for sharing and swapping resources.

Visit www.spanish.candoexchange.org