

Newsletter January 2015

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Congratulations

Congratulations and best wishes to one of our past volunteers Sasha who had a baby girl called Kaelyan . Congratulations also go to our ex deputy manager Nicky who had a baby boy called Charlie.

Happy New Year

We wish you all a very Happy New Year and best wishes for 2015. Thank you for all your support it is greatly appreciated.

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The Mayor's visit to honour Cyril



In October the Cambridge City Mayor Gerri Bird came to visit to honour one of our volunteers, Cyril who celebrated 20 years of volunteering at Cambridge Re-Use. Cyril was presented with an award and current and ex volunteers came to



celebrate. The dedication Cyril has shown to the charity is outstanding ; he works five days a week in the store and on the van, the award was a small token of our huge appreciation for all the hard work he has put in over the years .

A Helping Hand

Halifax Project - As part of their community project 'A day to make a difference', a team of staff from various Halifax



Building Society branches came and painted the kitchen, bed area and office at our warehouse. It was great having them and we really appreciate the work and effort that they



put in. It is lovely to have newly painted areas within the warehouse. Thank you Halifax!

Over the past few months we have been involved with The National Citizenship Service, based at Cambridge Regional College. It is an



opportunity for young people studying at CRC to volunteer their services in the community for charities. We have had two groups of young people leafleting for us, which is extremely beneficial to us and enables us to continue to build our public profile. We thank them all for their time and look forward to continuing our working partnership.



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Congratulations and best wishes go to our van supervisor Mark who is getting married in April this year; we wish him and Kia all the very best.

Support

We thank you for your support in the past and look forward to continuing the relationship.

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Volunteer Events

Our volunteers enjoyed a summer buffet-thanks to Alan and Judy for putting on a lovely event with lots of gorgeous food! More recently we all went to The Hungry Horse for our annual Christmas Meal—the food was enjoyed by everyone.



Obituaries

In the late summer of 2014 Donald Porteous a long term trustee of the charity sadly passed away. We also lost a long term volunteer Alan Jones to cancer in September; he will always be remembered for his long term commitment to the charity having dedicated 10 years as our volunteer electrician. Alan passed on his expertise in electrical work and is sadly missed.



Wiser Recycling

In 2015 we are looking forward to working with Wiser Recycling, by purchasing reconditioned white goods from them, for us to sell to our customers. There has been a shortage of white goods over the recent years which has meant we had to introduce a waiting list system for our customers. We hope that by working with Wiser we will be able to reduce the waiting time for our customers and be able to offer many more white goods. Fingers crossed!

Thank You Cambridge News

Thank you so much to The Cambridge News who contacted us in December asking if we would be interested in having a two page spread in the paper about the charity, we were one of five charities they contacted. The result was a great article in 10th December edition with lots of good pictures showing our furniture displays, and some lovely quotes thanks to one of our volunteers Carla who agreed to do a telephone interview with Jon news journalist.