

Board profile

As well as overseeing the work of the organisation at meetings every six weeks our 5 Directors give freely of their time to attend training and planning days, help with the recruitment and selection of staff and attend sub-committee meetings. It's a volunteer role that's both crucial to the charity and rewarding for the individual.

Betty Ward, Convener



Reasons for volunteering?

"To make best use of my spare time doing something worthwhile."

What are the best bits?

"Being part of a great wee team that want to make a difference in Dundee."

Worst bits? "Short term funding and getting people to come on Board."

Bob Wishart, Treasurer



Reasons for volunteering?

"I saw an advert when studying for Accountancy and thought I'd have a go; 6 years on and I am still here."

What are the best bits? "Satisfaction that I am doing something worthwhile that benefits many people."

Worst bits? "None - if there was I would not be here."

Damian Sherwood, Director



Reasons for volunteering? "As a Volunteer Manager I wanted to be involved in ensuring that volunteers have an accessible portal to volunteering."

What are the best bits? "Being part of such an energetic and enthusiastic organisation."

Worst bits? "The challenge is not to lose sight of the vision."

Gillian Funai, Director



Reasons for volunteering? "I have a life long interest in volunteering since I was child volunteering in Guiding and Scouting."

What are the best bits? "Working with like minded people."

Worst bits? "The most challenging is getting the funding when there is so much need out there."

Tony Belford, Director



Reason for volunteering? "As a result of the Fairshare Award for Charleston going to VCD I came along to an AGM and was asked to join!"

What are the best bits? "The friendship and support of board members and staff and the opportunity to share ideas."

Worst bits? "Bureaucracy reducing the time to get things done."

People

Staff: Kathryn Mackenzie, Manager, Jamie Taylor, Youth Development Worker, Fiona Bissett, Support for Families Worker, Anne Leslie, Training and Development Worker, Wendy Sutherland, Information Officer, Dorothy Davie, Information Support Assistant, Elizabeth Adetayo, Book-keeper, Ron Kelly, Clerical Support, Brenda Domm, Development Worker, Philippa Lyttle, Project Worker, Graeme Sim, Clerical Assistant, Maxine Connor, Youth Worker and Volunteer Manager, Joyce Mathers, Administrator.

Board: Betty Ward, Convener, Bob Wishart, Treasurer, Kathryn Mackenzie, Company Secretary, Damian Sherwood, Director, Gillian Funai, Director, Tony Belford, Director

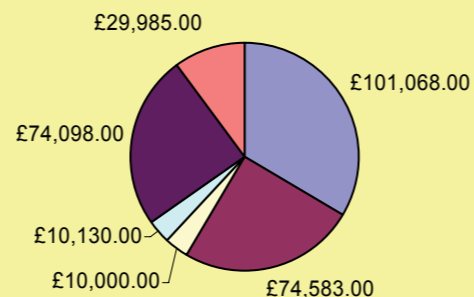
Time to Volunteer? Many thanks go to everyone who volunteered during 2008 - 2009:

George Elder, Bill Jeffrey, Kenny Brady, Colin Thomson, Billy Low, Ian Hutchison, Cath Anderson, Kenny Craik, John Dott, Alan Kinnie, Derek McWilliams, Tim Robertson, James Workman, Linda Todd, Janet Brody, Lisa Lyttle, David McWilliams, Andy McKenzie, Raegan Inglis, Gina Turnbull, Craig Colquhain, Ryan Bannon, Heather Gaffney, Craig Inglis, Jade Reilly, Gemma Carr, Hollie Ogilvie, Camilla Kane, Nadia Shel, Caitlin Lewis, Cara Pirie, Hayley Gilligan, Lesley Docherty, Suzy Parkinson, Leanda Quinn, Alice Quinn, Janet Jones, Kenny Adams, Shona Livingstone, Stacey Stewart, Sam Young, Bryan Wylie, Daniel Delval, Lee Martin, James Reynolds, Marti Scott, Daniel Finnigan, Owen Neave, Scott Greig, Jordan Hamilton, Jennifer Clancy, Hayley Murray, Eddie Davidson, Farida Akhtar, David Clark, Katherine Doig, Alasdair Maclean, Ian Cant, Yasmeen Ahmed, Nicola Diaz.

Finance

	2008/2009	2007/2008
Income	£299,864	£358,496
Expenditure	£298,176	£360,923

Income 2008-2009



- Scottish Government
- Fairer Scotland Fund
- Mathews Trust
- Dundee City Council - L&C
- Fair Share
- Other



Volunteering Matters: Time to Make a Difference



New board members always welcome

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Annual Report 2008 - 2009

Volunteering Matters: Time to Make a Difference

Facts and Figures:

- 15% more volunteering choices; now up to 351 choices
- 10% more organisations registered: we now have 298
- 24% more people registered their interest in volunteering
- 25% more young people interested in volunteering

Time for Celebration

It's been a great year for celebrating! It was our 10th Anniversary year and we organised several events to celebrate. We were delighted that the launch of Dundee Partnership's Volunteering Strategy took place at our conference in December.

- A Civic Reception during Volunteers' Week to mark our ten years as a voluntary organisation in Dundee
- Our second MV Award Ceremony to celebrate the young volunteers in Dundee where over 50 young people received their MV awards accumulating over 5,000 hours of volunteering.

Time for Partnerships

This year we spent time developing our partnership working with other organisations across all sectors.

- We work in close partnership with Dundee Voluntary Action in providing support and advice to voluntary organisations, for example accessing Disclosures for staff and volunteers, providing training, raising awareness of important issues for the voluntary sector.
- We worked with Dundee Partnership to develop and launch the Volunteering Strategy for Dundee on 5th December at our Volunteering Conference.
- We joined the Dundee and Angus Chamber of Commerce to develop links with business and to promote employer supported volunteering.

Time for Learning



Volunteer Friendly Award **Friendly Award.**

It's been a great year for learning! We facilitated and delivered training to 43 volunteer managers and co-ordinators. We also developed our own local standard for best practice volunteer involvement based on the national Investing in Volunteers (IiV) standard: **Volunteer**

Friendly Award.

Volunteer Impact Assessment Toolkit (VIAT)

The Toolkit contains a variety of methods by which an organisation can measure and assess the affects of volunteering on all major stakeholders. It enables them to evaluate what is working well and what can be improved. Alison Kettles, Home-Start Co-ordinator used the Toolkit to evaluate the impact of volunteering with the Home-Start Volunteers.

"The toolkit itself was simple to use and the findings were easily collated to show clear results. It was rewarding to see such positive feedback and powerful comments from volunteers. We will use the results to plan our volunteer development programme and to show funders the value and impact of the volunteer involvement." Alison Kettles, Home Start Dundee Co-ordinator.

"I feel my life is worthwhile if I can be of support to people who need it." Home- Start Volunteer

Time for training: during 2008-2009 we delivered:

- 8 volunteer managers forums
- 8 volunteer managers training sessions
- 2 Learning through Volunteering courses

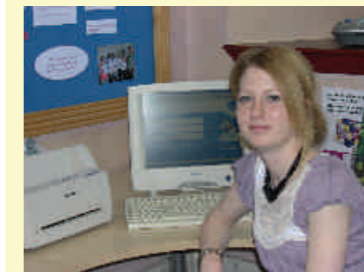
Time for Employment

Volunteering can help jobseekers get back to work. A grant from the Fairer Scotland Fund lets us provide additional support in this position. We will match a person up with a suitable volunteering placement.

- 173 people were referred to our service to find out how volunteering can help with their employability.
- 96 went on to volunteering, education or training
- Referrals were from Jobcentre Plus, NHS, Criminal Justice, and Adult Education

Hannah's Story

Hannah left school and went straight to university. After 3 years she became unsure if she'd made the right choice. She decided to take a year out. Unsure what to do she spoke to us. We helped her to volunteer with Barnardos Playschemes supporting children with autism. She has since gone on to volunteer with a nursery. She has just been offered a job with a disability charity and has applied to do a Complementary Therapies Course."



"Volunteering has given me the opportunity to gain new skills, meet new people and make a difference to others. I now have a job as well." Hannah

Time to visit www.volunteerdundee.org.uk

- 13,000 unique visitors made 20,131 visits to our website that's an average 56 visits daily!
- 4,500 volunteering enquiries went directly to organisations