

Building Better Communities

a guide to Scotland's Third Sector Interfaces

Voluntary Action Scotland and Scotland's network of Third Sector Interfaces work at a national and local level to promote, develop and represent Scotland's third sector, social enterprises and volunteering.

The 32 Interfaces are key partners in each local Community Planning Partnership - promoting and supporting the role of the third sector and volunteering in improving the delivery of public services across every community in Scotland.



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6 months: April - September 2011

Volunteering

2,584 new volunteering opportunities identified



Volunteers Placed: over **11,000**

4,825 young volunteers placed

3,922 unemployed people placed in volunteering roles

1,585 people with health or additional support needs placed

1,104 people over 60 placed in a volunteering role



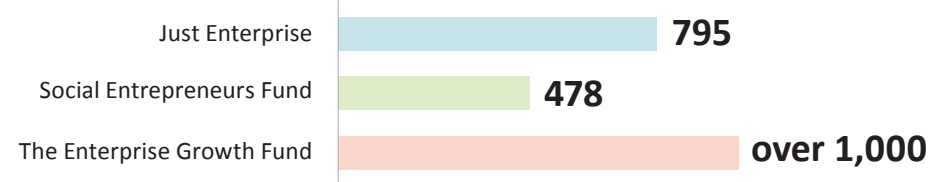
more than **4,000**
Young volunteers recognised
through MV and Saltire Awards



over **20,000**
Volunteering opportunities promoted

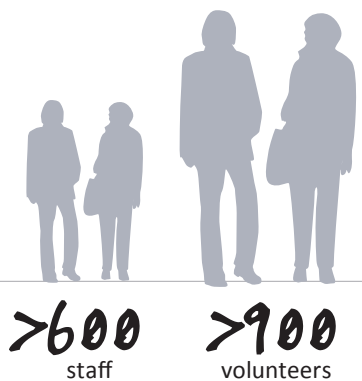


Social Enterprise Referrals



Third Sector Interfaces Themselves

Over 600 paid staff employed by Interfaces
Over 900 volunteers engaged by Interfaces



Third Sector Support

Organisations benefiting from training **1,817**



Dedicated/intensive support to organisations **5,245**



Requests for help or guidance **46,699**



third sector interfaces

An Interface is an independent, community-managed support organisation, accountable to the third sector in its area, and responsible for engaging effectively with Community Planning Partnerships and Scottish Government to represent the best interests of the sector, and the communities they serve.



Interface arrangements bring together four key, local infrastructure functions:

- Support to and promotion of volunteering;
- Support and development of social enterprise;
- Support to voluntary organisations operating in the area, both local and those national organisations that deliver services at the local level;
- Connection between the Community Planning Partnership and the third sector.

Each local authority area has a Third Sector Interface (TSI). TSIs deliver the kinds of services that were delivered by Councils for Voluntary Services (CVSS), Volunteer Centres (VCs) and Social Enterprise Networks (SENs).



Each Interface is unique to their local area. The name, structure and range of services are determined at a local level, in line with the available resources and local need.



your local third sector interface

Aberdeen

Aberdeen Council of Voluntary Organisations (ACVO)
Tel: 01224 686058
www.acvo.org.uk

Aberdeenshire

Aberdeenshire Voluntary Action
Tel: 01771 624787
www.bridgecvs.org.uk

Angus

Community Action Angus
Tel: 01241 875525
Website: Not yet available

Argyll and Bute

Argyll and Bute Third Sector Partnership
Tel: 01631 564839
www.argyllcommunities.org

Clackmannanshire

Clackmannanshire Third Sector Interface
Tel: 01259 213840
www.ctsi.org.uk

Dumfries and Galloway

Dumfries and Galloway Third Sector Interface
Tel: 01387 270205
Website: Not yet available

Dundee

Voluntary Gateway
Tel: 01382 305728
Website: Not yet available

East Ayrshire

Voluntary Action East Ayrshire
Tel: 01563 574000
www.cvoea.co.uk

East Dunbartonshire

East Dunbartonshire Third Sector and Volunteering Interface
Tel: 0141 578 0291
www.eastdunbartonshirecvs.org.uk

East Lothian

Voluntary Action East Lothian
Tel: 0131 665 3300
www.voluntaryactioneastlothian.org.uk

East Renfrewshire

Voluntary Action East Renfrewshire
Tel: 0141 876 9555
www.va-er.org.uk

Edinburgh, City of

Edinburgh Third Sector Interface
Tel: 0131 555 9100
www.evoc.org.uk/about/third-sector-interface

Falkirk

CVS Falkirk and District
Tel: 01324 692000
www.cvsfalkirk.org.uk

Fife

Fife Third Sector Interface
Tel: 01592 567001
www.cvsfife.org

Glasgow

Glasgow Third Sector Interface
Tel: 0141 332 2444
www.gcvcs.org.uk

Highland

Highland Third Sector Partnership
Tel: 01479 812100
www.htspinterface.co.uk

Inverclyde

Inverclyde Third Sector Interface
Tel: 01475 711733
www.cvsinverclyde.org.uk

Midlothian

Midlothian Third Sector Interface
Tel: 0131 663 9471
www.mvacvs.org.uk

Moray

Moray Third Sector Interface
Tel: 01343 541713
www.voluntaryactionmoray.org.uk

North Ayrshire

North Ayrshire Third Sector Interface
Tel: 01294 443044
www.theayrshirecommunitytrust.co.uk

North Lanarkshire

Voluntary Action North Lanarkshire
Tel: 01236 748011
www.vanl.co.uk

Orkney Islands

Voluntary Action Orkney
Tel: 01856 872897
www.orkneycommunities.co.uk/VAO

Perth and Kinross

Perth and Kinross Association of Voluntary Service (PKAVS)
Tel: 01738 567076
www.pkavs.co.uk

Refrewshire

Engage Renfrewshire
Tel: 0141 887 7707
www.engagerenfrewshire.com

Scottish Borders

Scottish Borders Third Sector Interface
Tel: 01896 755370
www.the-bridge.uk.net

Shetland Islands

Voluntary Action Shetland
Tel: 01595 743901
www.shetland-communities.org.uk

South Ayrshire

Voluntary Action South Ayrshire
Tel: 01292 263 626
www.voluntaryactionsouthayrshire.org.uk

South Lanarkshire

Voluntary Action South Lanarkshire
Tel: 01698 300390
www.vaslan.org.uk

Stirling

Stirlingshire Voluntary Enterprise
Tel: 01786 430000
www.sventerprise.org.uk

West Dunbartonshire

West Dunbartonshire CVS
Tel: 0141 941 0886
www.wdcvs.com

West Lothian

Voluntary Sector Gateway West Lothian
Tel: 01506 650111
www.vsgwl.org

Western Isles

Co-Cheangal Innse Gall
Tel: 01851 700366
www.c-cig.org.uk

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