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Voluntary Action Coventry



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[Voluntary Action Coventry Awarded funding to Transform Volunteering in Coventry](#)

Coventry City Council has awarded Voluntary Action Coventry £229k. The funding is from the UK Government's Shared Prosperity Fund which has been allocated to the city through the West Midlands Combined Authority

This much needed funding will further support the development of the social economy for the city. Awarded to Voluntary Action Coventry, the charity championing community resilience, the focus will be working in partnership to support economically inactive residents to participate in social action and to showcase volunteering opportunities and the achievements of the city's good causes.

There will be a series of exciting volunteering events across the city, where participants can come and try different volunteering activities to increase their confidence and well-being. There will be training, guidance and one to one support provided. We're sharing funds across the sector to give people a chance to find out about the amazing organisations in their area and the wide range of voluntary opportunities available.

Sue Ogle, CEO at Voluntary Action Coventry said:

'The launch of the UKSPF in Coventry is a real boost for the future of volunteering here in Coventry. Those that face barriers daily, will receive specialist support to access

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Volunteering and training opportunities. Through this fund, causes across the city will be uniting to provide high-quality volunteering opportunities for Coventry people. Whether it's sprucing up a local park, serving refreshments at a local hospital, meeting and greeting the public or being handy at DIY, this is a great time to explore the possibilities."

Residents can find out more by looking out for announcements on social media facebook.com/VoluntaryActionCoventry twitter.com/vacoventry instagram.com/vacoventry or checking the website www.vacoventry.org.uk.

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About The UK Shared Prosperity Fund

[The UK Shared Prosperity Fund](#) is a central pillar of the UK government's Levelling Up agenda and provides £2.6 billion of funding for local investment by March 2025. The Fund aims to improve pride in place and increase life chances across the UK investing in communities and place, supporting local business, and people and skills.

[Find out more here](#)

About Voluntary Action Coventry

We influence change and innovation in systems and services locally, to shape a more fair and equal future and improve people's lives. We do this by encouraging resilience in communities, supporting people to build their capacity and enabling them to do more for themselves. We've been doing this in Coventry for 65 years, enabling thousands of people to make a contribution in the city. In 2023 we relocated to Harp Place, Sandy Road, Radford.

[Read our annual report here](#)

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