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THE QUEEN'S AWARD FOR  
VOLUNTARY SERVICE 2014

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN has been graciously pleased to confer Her Awards in 2014 upon the following groups in recognition of their outstanding voluntary work in the community.

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## EAST OF ENGLAND

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<i>Voluntary Group</i>	<i>Activity Description</i>
Diverse FM	Promoting greater community integration and assisting disengaged and disadvantaged people to gaining key life and employability skills
OM Group	Helping to unite the community through social, sporting, educational and cultural events and integrating wider society through selfless service
Primrose Car Service Volunteers	Providing personalised transport for cancer patients receiving multiple treatments at a cancer centre
Road Victims Trust Bedfordshire Volunteers	Providing emotional and practical support to people affected by the trauma and grief of road death.
The Shuttleworth Veteran Aeroplane Society (Volunteer Workers)	Educating the public in the science, practice and history of aviation and motoring by supporting the charitable work of the Shuttleworth Collection.
Holt Area Caring Society	Transporting people in the rural community to hospital and medical appointments

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## EAST MIDLANDS

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<i>Voluntary Group</i>	<i>Activity Description</i>
Arkwright Meadows Community Gardens	Providing a green oasis in the inner-city, growing fruit, vegetables and plants and offering recreational and educational training and horticulture-based activities.
Bassetlaw Action Centre	Promoting the independence of older and vulnerable people throughout Bassetlaw district.
Netherfield Forum	Assisting with the relief of poverty and the provision of youth, educational and recreational activities for all within the community and surrounding areas.

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## GREATER LONDON

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<i>Voluntary Group</i>	<i>Activity Description</i>
Angel Community Canal Boat Trust	Operating a canal narrowboat for young, disadvantaged, elderly and isolated people on day and residential trips to enjoy the waterways, environment, and experience working together as crew
CoolTan Arts	Enhancing mental well-being through the power of creativity - run by and for adults with mental-distress.
Cotmandene Community Resource Centre & Mottingham Community & Learning Shop Volunteer Team	Supporting the most vulnerable within their local communities of Mottingham and the Cray's
Croydon College	Giving all students the opportunity to volunteer as active citizens in their community. Over 1,500 students volunteered 18,000 hours lobbying, campaigning and representation at the UN.
Freightliners Farm	Bringing a little bit of the countryside to inner city Islington, enabling the local community especially young and vulnerable people to participate in farming, gardening and nature.
Friends of Croham Hurst Woods	Caring for and regenerating ancient woodland by keeping it green and accessible for the local community
Greenwich Housing Rights' Duty Advice Scheme Volunteers	Reducing homelessness by advising and advocating for those at risk of losing their home.
Jeremiah Project	Working together with other churches in Mitcham to provide education, practical and pastoral support, helping people reach their full potential and live fulfilling lives
Mentoring and Peer Support (MAPS)	Placing people who listen with young people who need to be heard through one-to-one mentoring and building a valuable community
Merton Street Pastors	Caring for, listening to and helping people in Mitcham and Wimbledon on the streets late at night on the weekends.

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The Horse Rangers Association (Hampton Court)	Promoting responsibility, friendship, and self-confidence in young people from diverse backgrounds for 60 years through looking after horses and providing therapy for young carers and those with special needs
Volunteers in Positive East	Helping HIV+ people in East London deal with their diagnosis, get back on their feet and fulfill their true potential
Waterloo Action Centre	Promoting everyone's right to give as well as receive, WAC, developed by the local community, facilitates economic, diverse and relevant solutions to community needs.

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## GUERNSEY

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<i>Voluntary Group</i>	<i>Activity Description</i>
Guernsey Samaritans	Providing non judgemental, confidential emotional support to anyone in distress or despair, including those with suicidal feelings for 50years in the Guernsey Community
St John Care in the Community Library	Providing easy access to large print books for the elderly and infirm, with the accompanying social interaction which is important in keeping the mind active in later life.
The Guernsey Society for Cancer Relief	Assisting cancer suffers and their families by supplying services not otherwise provided and helping them through their oncology treatments for the past 30 years

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## NORTH EAST

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<i>Voluntary Group</i>	<i>Activity Description</i>
Morpeth Detachment, Northumbria Army Cadet Force	Delivering structured, interesting and challenging opportunities to young people from all backgrounds to become self reliant, confident members of the community in line with their motto "to inspire to achieve"
Brunswick Methodist Church Volunteers	Committed to serving the weak and vulnerable, creating space for young and old and reaching out to the diverse community.
The People's Kitchen	Providing friendship and food for homeless, disadvantaged, vulnerable people in Newcastle at times when other services are not available. Our 150 volunteers give 34,000 hours per year.

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## NORTH WEST

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<i>Voluntary Group</i>	<i>Activity Description</i>
Abraham moss warriors	Delivering a range of sport for development activities using football as the vehicle. All different-all equal-all welcome.
Bury involvement group in mental health	Providing hope, support and empowering adults with mental health conditions and others in recovery.
Bury society for blind & partially sighted	Increasing confidence and providing support for local people with a visual impairment, enabling them to lead full and active lives.
Compassion in action	Meeting the needs of people in crisis and giving hope to the most vulnerable in our society
Fairfield & Howley Neighbourhood Project — The Old School's Committee/Trustees/Volunteers	Providing social, leisure, educational and support facilities in a relatively-deprived inner urban area
Friends of debdale park	Creating a place where there is something for everyone in the community through health and social projects, training and pre employment schemes.
Oldham bereavement support service (obss)	Providing understanding, support and hope to bereaved adults and children
Rossall Beach Residents & Community Group	Working together to improve and look after the Rossall Beach area to create a better place for everyone who uses it and the residing wildlife
Salford heart care	Supporting the community, reducing social isolation, improving health and well being, preventing heart-related illnesses and after care for people with heart conditions and long term illnesses

Sandy Lane Gardening Group	Creating opportunities for Creative Support service users with mental health needs to participate in and contribute to their local community, working in partnership with other third sector organisations.
The Donkey Assisted Therapy Centre, Manchester	Providing emotional, mental and physical therapy through donkeys, thereby enhancing the lives of children and adults with additional needs.
The Hub Community Centre in Altrincham	Providing a welcoming facility for all ages, including events, social activities and professional support in order to see lives and communities changed for the better.
The Mustard Tree	Creating choice and opportunity for people who are homeless or marginalised.
The Wednesday Disco Team	Providing a valued and much loved, non-funded, social activity for people with learning disabilities, right in the heart of the local community for more than two decades
The Wellspring	Providing support services to homeless and disadvantaged people aiming to re-engage them in the wider community, by providing effective options 365 days a year to promote independence.
Theatre by the Lake Front of House Volunteers	Giving the theatre a smiling, welcoming face; assisting visitors and ensuring they have the best possible experience.
Wood street mission	Supporting thousands of local children living in poverty. The devoted team of volunteers provide essential support and comfort to families in need.
Wythenshawe fm community radio volunteers	Empowering Wythenshawe residents through their own community radio voice by the people, for the people. Working with partners to provide opportunities for new volunteers and learners.

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## NORTHERN IRELAND

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<i>Voluntary Group</i>	<i>Activity Description</i>
Suffolk Community Gardens Volunteers	Developing Suffolk Community Garden, growing fresh fruit and vegetables and rearing free range hens, at no cost, to benefit the disadvantaged community.

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## SCOTLAND

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<i>Voluntary Group</i>	<i>Activity Description</i>
Day1	Mentoring young people from tough social backgrounds. Building their confidence and helping them make positive transitional decisions about their future leading them towards sustainable employment.
Friends of Abbeyfield Killearn	Providing friendship, support, activities and assistance with integration into the village community for those staying at an Abbeyfield Residential home.
Montrose Air Station Heritage Centre	Telling the story of the people of the Royal Flying Corps and the Royal Air Force who served at Montrose, 1913-50, the country's first operational Air Station.
Peeblesshire Youth Trust	Offering 1:1 mentoring to young people, aged 10-14, to enable them to improve their confidence and self-esteem
The President and Committee of the Inverclyde Music Festival	Providing a platform for performance for young people and adults in Inverclyde and the wider community for one hundred years.
We Step Together (WEST)	Assisting adults with learning disabilities to engage with the wider community and in doing so help to alleviate the loneliness and isolation experienced by many within the disabled community

# SOUTH EAST

## *Voluntary Group*

ABC to Read (Assisting Berkshire Children to Read)

## *Activity Description*

Advancing the education and self-confidence of primary school children in Berkshire, by helping them to overcome reading difficulties, giving them a skill for life.

Alfriston & Cuckmere Valley Heartstart

Providing a voluntary medical first response group, trained by the ambulance service to immediately attend emergency calls within their rural area until backup arrives

Beachy Head Chaplaincy Team

Helping to find and assist those in distress or considering suicide at Beachy Head. The team is equipped, trained, and present on duty, night and day.

Berkshire county blind society

Helping visually-impaired people across berkshire to live active and independent lives by supporting them in a varied programme of social , leisure and cultural activities

Brighton & Hove Healthwalks

Leading walks across Brighton & Hove for people of all ages and abilities to help them get active, improve their mental and physical health and meet new people.

Crowthorne Old Age to Teen Society

Providing companionship, healthy meals and stimulating activities for older people in the local community in addition to providing respite for their carers.

Elizabeth house, cookham

Providing the oldest resident members a warm welcome, good companionship, lunches and numerous stimulating activities for more than thirty years

Harlow District Scouts

Providing fun and friendship, challenge and everyday adventure through Scouting, to young people in Harlow

Isle of Wight Society for the Blind

Supporting blind and partially sighted residents of the Isle of Wight through advice, friendship, information and activities.

Kent Special Constabulary

Providing innovative community focussed volunteer policing to the people of Kent in support of the regular force.

Kerith community church

Seeking to serve and transform the local community through a range of practical projects and initiatives

Mortimer village partnership (mvp)

Building a stronger community and enriching village life by enabling all mortimer residents to volunteer in local events, clubs, services, communications and entertainments.

Oxford Hub

Connecting university students with volunteering and social action opportunities in Oxford; tackling homelessness, educational disadvantage, food waste and elderly isolation

Sebastian's Action Trust

Providing dedicated services to families of life-limited children and young people from diagnosis, through treatment and beyond.

Slough furniture project (homemaker)

Working for the betterment of financially underprivileged and vulnerable people within the community

Sussex Neighbourhood Watch Search Teams

Assisting Police in the search for missing high risk vulnerable persons, and evidence which may be crucial to a police enquiry

The Farnborough Air Sciences Trust

Safeguarding, displaying and making available documentation and artefacts recording 100 years of continuous air science development at Farnborough, creating an engineering and history-themed education centre and community cultural facility.

The Oyster Project

Creates meaningful opportunities for voluntary action and activity by fellow disabled people who want to support the community.

Titchfield Amateur Boxing Club

Welcoming members from all walks of life and striving to assist local charities financially, especially focusing on helping handicapped children.

Wycombe Homeless Connection Christian Trust

Helping individuals to escape from homelessness and rebuild their lives, by offering resettlement advice and support and running the Wycombe Winter Night Shelter

## SOUTH WEST

<i>Voluntary Group</i>	<i>Activity Description</i>
Burnham Area Rescue Boat (BARB)	Saving and protecting lives using the rescue hovercraft and inshore boat.
Chicks Coastal Retreat Cornwall	Providing free respite breaks for disadvantaged children from across the UK
One25 Limited	Reaching out to women trapped in or vulnerable to street sex work, supporting them to break free and build new lives away from violence, poverty and addiction
Stand Against Violence	Reducing and preventing interpersonal violence through education and primary intervention
Swindon 105.5	Providing training and volunteering opportunities, currently to ages 9 to 73, with success stories of personal development and achievement via an accessible, inclusive non-commercial community radio station.
Taunton Street Pastors	Dealing with the issues of vulnerable people and helping to diffuse aggressive situations
The Helicopter Museum	Restoring and conserving this rare aircraft collection. Over eighty volunteers maintain the archives and run special events, the shop and other aspects of the museum.
The Mayor of Bath's Corps of Honorary Guides	Conducting local people and visitors on free daily walking tours around Bath to enhance their appreciation of the city by describing and explaining its historic attractions.
Youth for Youth	Encouraging young volunteers to lead and stage events for communities across Bristol and the West of England.

## WALES

<i>Voluntary Group</i>	<i>Activity Description</i>
Discovery Student Volunteering Swansea	Enriching the lives of disadvantaged and vulnerable people in Swansea and Zambia.

## WEST MIDLANDS

<i>Voluntary Group</i>	<i>Activity Description</i>
64th Birmingham Scout Group	Transforming a dilapidated building into a thriving facility creating community cohesion via activities for all ages, backgrounds and needs, whilst also enabling young people to realise their full potential through Scouting.
Coventry City Mission	Providing support to vulnerable and disadvantaged individuals and families across Coventry through the creation and implementation of relevant projects and groups.
CRASAC — Coventry Rape and Sexual Abuse Centre	Supporting victims of sexual violence from crisis to sustainable recovery through a range of specialist sexual violence services made possible only through the time, commitment and expertise of our volunteers.
DEAFvibe	Offering accessible services that ensure all deaf people are treated equally and with respect. Providing access to information and communication promoting full participation in the wider community
Festival Drayton Centre	Creating quality of life enhancing opportunities for the whole community and beyond by providing multi-purpose facilities including cinema, theatre, exhibition gallery and a coffee shop.
Friends of the Hospital of St Cross	Operating a range of voluntary services for the Hospital of St Cross Rugby and fundraising to provide equipment to improve hospital facilities
Hammerwich Cricket Club	Providing a safe, friendly and structured environment for people of all ages in cricket and supporting the wider community in charity fundraising projects.
Heath Town Senior Citizen's Welfare Project	Offers day care services to older people who are feeling isolated, lonely and distressed.

HMP Featherstone Visitors' Centre Volunteers	Making the whole visiting process for families and friends more welcoming and less stressful by offering a listening ear, providing refreshments and supporting those who are troubled or despondent.
Mow Cop Residents Association	Providing an increasing range of amenities, facilities and services for everyone in the local community for the last ten years.
New Heights Warren Farm Community Project	Providing support for people and families of all ages and needs within the local community.
Oak Tree Farm Rural Project	Helping people with learning disabilities with the practical activities of growing, gardening, pottery, catering and animal care.
Phoenix Swimming Club for Disabled people	Providing a vibrant, inclusive environment for disabled people of all ages and abilities to enjoy life enhancing exercise, fun and friendship through swimming.
Power Pleas Trust	Providing powered outdoor wheelchairs and other mobility aids to young people with disability in the Wolverhampton area.
Severn Hospice	Donating time, skills and enthusiasm to ensure specialist care is accessible for people throughout Shropshire and Mid Wales who are living with cancer and other incurable illnesses.
Stafford Decorative & Fine Arts Society (Stafford DFAS) Heritage Volunteers & Church Recorders	Promoting universal and lasting awareness and enthusiasm by recording, preserving and conserving Staffordshire's rich cultural heritage
SUIT – Service User Involvement Team	Training recovering addicts and empowering those who are suffering from addiction to move forward with their lives and start contributing positively to themselves and society as a whole.
Swan Bank Methodist Mission	Increasing engagement and reducing isolation by providing a safer space for children and teens; welcoming lunch for elderly, a food-bank and Community Library.
Tamworth Samaritans	Providing confidential and emotional support to people in distress and despair within the community.
The Claymills Pumping Engines Trust	Working to restore and operate Britain's most complete example of a Victorian sewage pumping station for the public.
The Grocott Centre	Supporting vulnerable people in our community through the provision of support services for both them and their families.
The Hope Centre, Halesowen	Welcoming, serving and listening to everyone at the Centre, regardless of circumstance, lifestyle or any other factor.
The LGBT Network, Wolverhampton	Working within the local community, providing services to improve the lives of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Trans (LGBT) people.
Troop Aid	Supporting Military Personnel by providing them with a Grab Bag containing basic personal essentials when they are hospitalised following injuries in conflict or other emergency situations.
Wellington Cottage Care Trust	Providing high-quality, nurse-led, person-centred Day Care for adults of any age with medical care needs and disabilities.
Wombourne Volunteer Bureau	Providing transport to medical facilities, drop in centre and support for housebound elderly people through day-care group activities and wheelchair loans for 41 years.

## YORKSHIRE AND THE HUMBER

<i>Voluntary Group</i>	<i>Activity Description</i>
Giroscope Limited	Helping the long-term unemployed, ex-offenders and other marginalised people participate fully in their community by providing work placements and training to help them find secure employment.
Halifax Swimming Club	Promoting the skills of swimming, water polo, synchronised swimming and diving for 150 years.



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