

Church Involvement in the Community

Prepared by the Church & Society Committee Presbytery of Aberdeen


Working with those affected by substance and alcohol abuse

WHAT

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Bethany Christian Trust, Credo centre, 14-20 John Street

 647677

The Quay Toastie Club
The Haven Project
The Thrift Shop
The 'Cappuccino Club'
Winter Care Shelter Project


Daily - in partnership with The Salvation Army

Christians Against Poverty (CAP) - Kings Community Church


 635839

Debt Counselling

City Church 49 Gilcomston Park

 696429

Lifestyle
Mondays 6.00pm - 8.30pm


Contact Caroline Crombie  07703 472909

Deeside Christian Fellowship , Bingham Drive, Milltimber

TnT
One Sunday evening per month

Contact John Merson  733560


Gilcomston South Church of Scotland, Union Street/Summer Street

 647144

Hot Chocolate
Saturdays 9.00pm - 11.00pm

For Clubbers.

Integrate, Credo Centre, 14-20 John Street

 625487

Breaking the cycle of offending behaviour

Middlefield Church of Scotland, Manor Avenue

 682310

Drugs Action
Tuesday 4.30pm - 6.00pm

Needle exchange and counselling.

Rubislaw Church Centre

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Tuesdays 7.00pm - 10.00pm

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Bethany Christian Trust Winter Care Shelter

Occasional use by Homeless people.

Street Pastors, Credo Centre, 14-20 John Street

On the Streets - City Centre

Fridays 10.00pm - Saturdays 4.00am

Saturdays 10.00pm - Sundays 4.00am

The Lighthouse, Tillydrone

Drop-in Centre

Monday (Men) 11.00am - 1.00pm

Wednesday (Women) 10.00am - 1.00pm

Contact John Merson ☎ 07515 287371

Contact Wilma Taylor ☎ 07778 813477

General Comments

Many congregations are very happy to host community, NHS or Council Meetings if requested.

Many have space for additional community groups to use.

Many members of congregations are involved in voluntary groups throughout the city.

Many congregations conduct regular services in Care Homes and Sheltered Housing within Parishes.

Many congregations are involved in regular housebound visiting.

All ministers and other pastoral team members make regular visits to hospitals throughout the city.

Most congregations are happy to welcome those with disabilities; many have loop systems for those with hearing difficulties, most have wheelchair access and adapted toilet facilities and others have large print bibles.

Many congregations include members dealing with abusive substances or with disabilities and find support amongst its members.

Many Sunday Schools include children with learning difficulties or behaviour issues.

All congregations exist within communities as a presence of care and compassion to all who would seek support.

This is by no means an exhaustive survey, but it is a beginning – to express the rich diversity of care demonstrated daily and weekly across the city by individuals, congregations and agencies seeking to live out their faith wherever they live and work.

Presbytery of Aberdeen

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