

Introducing CHANCES

Helping People Get

Back Into Work

After rather more than a year of lockdown we're all looking forward to a bit more personal freedom, but many people have struggled over the past year and need help to get back into work – or, if they are young, to find their very first job. They will struggle even more if they suffer from ill health – be it of the body or the mind – possibly exacerbated by lockdown.

Chances is a project to help and Jason Slack, the Kings Lynn Advocate for Chances (but speaking here for the whole of Norfolk) has sent us this wonderful article explaining the project and asks if we can spread the word far and wide in our own communities.

So, can you share this email as widely as possible especially on social media and your web sites and use the poster attached right at the end, on your notice boards.





<u>Voluntary Norfolk's Employment Services Team</u> are part of a new £4.9 million partnership project, led by Norfolk County Council, to help people get back into work and to support people that may find it difficult to work due to their health.

<u>The Chances Project</u> delivers personalised employment support to people both near to and far from work, including those seeking help with health conditions, employability skills, or a lack of self-confidence.

WHO WE CAN HELP

Aged 18 or over

- Unemployed for one day or more
- Living in the Norfolk area
- · Has the legal right to live and work in the UK
- Motivated to move forwards and looking to make positive life changes.

WE CAN OFFER

- Specially designed help for people who are not able to access current national support schemes
- One to one coaching to improve job prospects, skills, confidence and wellbeing
- · Support to overcome barriers to employment, such as transport, childcare or physical or learning disabilities.
 - Support and advice on job searching, CVs and application forms
 - Access to a variety of voluntary positions and training opportunities



Funding to purchase essential equipment or ID to increase employment prospects

All of our support is locally based, bespoke, flexible, one-to-one, completely free and voluntary. As such, within reason there are no time limits on the support we give individuals. We will take the time to forge community links, trust and rapport with individuals and 'go the extra mile' for them where needed.



You can find out more about the Chances Project and refer individuals directly

to us via this link.

If you need or would like some higher quality posters as JPEGs and PDF – please email me

With kind regards

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If you want to work but are not sure where to start, the Chances team offers personalised 1 to 1 support to help you

- With job search and interview prep
- Access skills development, training or education
- Get support into work if you have health issues
- Improve your wellbeing through sport and other activities



We're here to help.

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