What you're doing is inspirational to me and many others on my wing.

Prisoner letter to DWRM

DWRM Grant Award Update

University courses for learners in prison: Summer 2021



DWRM Grant Award **Update**

As we reach the first anniversary of the incorporation of our social enterprise, we're excited to share some of our progress and achievements so far, and a few plans for the future, too.





Partnerships established: four universities and one FE provider

Discussions are ongoing with more universities.

IMPACT: Offering greater choice of FE/HE courses to students in prison

NEXT: Promote courses to students; extend range of courses and providers for 2022+





£2800

Website, Leaflet and Prospectus published

400 prospectuses sent to prisons and people recently released from prison.

IMPACT: Professional branding conveys our highquality provision and raises awareness. The prospectus communicates our values and services.

NEXT: Distribute more widely, share on social media, promote new courses and providers.

Marketing





Cost of staff time covered by funding and donations

£650

Established student communication routes:

PO Box Freephone number Emailaprisoner

Outreach to prisons & prison education providers

IMPACT: Facilitates student contact from prison and establishes strong links to support studies.

NEXT: Correspond with students, answer their queries, establish prison-based student mentors.

Communications





Set up evaluation framework

A formal evaluation to assess and provide evidence for the impact of our work.

NEXT: Complete and publish the evaluation.

Evaluation





Contract agreed for postrelease mentoring

Ensuring students continue their studies at a critical time: when they are released.

NEXT: Match released students with peer mentors.

Post-release support



£1100

Trauma-informed practice and Peer mentoring (train the trainer)

Comprehensive programme in line with best practice. Staff are now confident to train peer mentors.

NEXT: Recruit peer mentors.

Staff Training



£500 pa

Fully compliant on standards:

Safeguarding GDPR DBS UCAS Indemnity Insurance

Demonstrates high professional standards and manages risks.

NEXT: Complete staff training on safeguarding and risk management.

Compliance

Oices from inside Letters from prison to DWRM...

I was in care for the majority of my life; my mother was also in the care system. What you have done with your time in prison is inspirational.

I sincerely hope that your service grows in the future as it will make a big difference to people in prison.

My Community Offender Manager's retort to my desire to continue at a post-graduate level was "I must find realistic goals"! ... I am very much in need of any support you can offer for my sentence progression.

I have recently read the article [in Inside Time] which described your company and its mission. I was immediately inspired and hooked by every word I read!

I wish I had known about you sooner as this is an example of good practice in prison education.

I would love to help you promote your mission at whatever prison I end up in after sentencing.



We are sincerely grateful for the support of our partner funders and organisations who have enabled us to achieve so much:

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