CANDI Unlimited Monthly Newsletter

CINDERFORD NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE

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Here's what has happened in the last month and what's to come!

Welcome to our CANDI newsletter! We are thrilled to share with you the latest developments in our mission to make a positive impact in our community.

Firstly, we would like to express our gratitude to all of our volunteers who have continued to support us. Your generosity and dedication has allowed us to keep our programs running smoothly and effectively.

In terms of our forthcoming activities, we are looking to launch adult learning courses.

We are currently working with Adult Education to secure courses around basic numeracy skills, allowing people to work towards gaining a qualification in GCSE maths. (More information on page 2)

We are continuing to work with Laura from the Methodist church and develop ways to offer further community support in Drybrook. We have implemented a summer program for the young people and the whole family to enjoy within Drybrook, as well as Cinderford. (More information below).

We are also excited to announce that we will be hosting an open day during Cindifest (Sunday 25th August).

This event will a fun and interactive way to support our charity while also enjoying great food, drinks, and bring the community together. It will also give opportunity for us to network with other organisations and charities as well as get the CANDI name out into the community and show people what we have to offer! More information to follow soon!.

Finally, we want to remind everyone that our charity relies on the kindness and support of our community, volunteers, trustees and management team. If you are able to donate your time or resources, during our garden renovation date or during our sessions we run at CANDI, please contact Shannon.

Thank you for your continued support!

Enjoy this month's newsletter!

Key Updates

Garden project renovation -Saturday 13th July 10:00am

Summer Holiday Program

Adult Learning

Website Updates

Volunteer

Fundraising

Shannon - Community Project Coordinator.





Adult learning

As mentioned above we are exploring ways to implement an adult Learning Maths courses at CANDI to support basic maths skills. To register your interest and receive our first date drop email cpc@candi.email.

We have also teamed up with Adult Education in Gloucestershire and will be launching our first confidence building workshop. This will allow people to build self confidence with easy to use methods. Learn how to more more assertive, develop communication skills, understanding body language & behaviour patterns to achieve SMART Goals. You can register your interest via email (detailed above).



VOLUNTEERS

Last month we featured in an article for Gloucestershire Live as part of Volunteer week. (Link below). Following this, we have had interest from people in the community wanting to volunteer with us!

Thank you for your support!

We are always looking for new volunteers to come and join our team in the following areas:

- CANDI Café
- Youth Space
- Adult learning
- Mental Health Support
- CANDI Dance
- Women's Group
- Men's group
- Menopuase group
- English as additional language workshop
- Individuals to translate community information into multiple languages.

https://www.gloucestershirelive.co.uk/news/glouce ster-news/community-space-forest-deansearching-9331007.amp **Watch This Space!** - Over the next few weeks we are also looking at other workshops to run, including:

- · Employability and digital skills
- Confidence with Literacy
- · Cooking workshops
- First Aid
- · Creative Learning
- English as an additional language

To register your interest in any of the learning opportunities and workshops, please contact Shannon - cpc@candi.email)

Community Support

Here at CANDI we have a real passion to support to whole community. We champion intercultural understanding and want to provide support and services to benefit migrants and other minority cultural communities within Cinderford and the surrounding area.

This month we have launched our languages Network. We are looking to hold a bank of contacts that are able to support with translating information for posters, flyers and information on support available for the whole community.

Do you speak more than one language,?

We are looking for people to support with translating information for the local community into a range of lanagauges for all to access.

If you are able to support, we would love to hear from you! Your commitment can be as little or as much as you want/ able to and may only occasionally be required.

We are also exploring opportunities to provide English as Additional Language workshops - If you or someone you know may be interested in supporting with this please get in touch!



Key Updates!



Shop Front

Our Shop Front has had a revamp! We have had new windows and sign installed!

We want to thank Essential GFX Signage for working with us to design our new sign, and Express Windows for supplying and fitting the windows.

Pop in for a coffee and check out our new revamp!

Website Updates

Currently our website is under re- design. Watch this space for the new launch!

Partnership Working

As some of you may be aware unfortunately Diverse Leap folded as a children last month. This come as a complete shock to all our management team.

We are fully aware of the gap within both the public and private sector for more mental health support and are currently looking at plans to launch this from CANDI. More updates will follow.

If you are interested in becoming part of our vision and have interest in wanting to help others please get in touch. We want to take the opportunity to share with you the launch of two new partnerships we have formed!

CANDI Cafe

We are very pleased to share with you we have been blown away with the amount of custom and support during our CANDI Cafe opening hours as well as our milkshake Monday!

We want to thank everyone who attends and support our CANDI Cafe.

Its becoming a real success!



We have teamed up with both Gloucestershire Carers and Forest Sensory Service, who are going to be joining us the first of every month during our Cafe opening hours to offer support.

Garden Renovation

Saturday 13th July was a great success with the launch of our garden renovation project. We successfully cleared the area and have began creating seating spaces for the whole community to enjoy.





Carers

Coffee, Cake And

 Informal Environment 1st Monday Of The Month (Except Bank Holidays) 11:00am - 2:00pm

 Listening Ear From An Experienced 31, Market Street, Cinderford, GL142RT





We also have a large vegetable planting area with lettuce ready to be harvested..... head down to our community garden and help yourself!

We want to thank all of our volunteers who took the time to contribute to this project!