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Celebrating 12 years of supporting and promoting healthy communities

Hello, and welcome to the latest issue of CHEX-Point Snippets. We hope you enjoyed the Easter Weekend – a well-earned break given how busy the end of the financial year can be! As usual, this issue contains the latest news and information relating to community-led health. **If you would like to be mentioned in Snippets please send us your own news from your work locally.** Click [here](#) if you would like to view this e-bulletin as a PDF or read any previous issues of Snippets.

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The next issue of Snippets will be Friday 27th April so please send anything you would like to be included before Wednesday 25th. You can send information/material for inclusion in CHEX-Point Snippets by sending an email to andrew@scdc.org.uk or phoning 0141 222 4837. CHEX-Point Snippets is provided by CHEX – Community Health Exchange and compiled by Andrew Paterson. Thanks to all contributors to this edition.

Regards

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CHEX News

Call for news from CHEX Network organisations

We'd like to take the opportunity to remind CHEX Network organisations and other readers that CHEX-Point Snippets is a useful way to raise awareness of the valuable work you are doing locally. We know that a lot of great community-led health work is going on across Scotland and have recently highlighted the work of The Corner in Dundee, SafeSpace in Dunfermline and REACH and SEAL in Glasgow. We'd really like to hear about what you are doing in your part of the country too. Therefore, if you have any information or messages you would like to get across please email me at andrew@scdc.org.uk or phone 0141 222 4837.

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General Information

SCVO warn new charitable giving tax relief cap will harm Scottish charities

The Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations (SCVO) is calling on the UK Government to reverse its decision to introduce a cap on the amount of tax relief that donors can claim back on charitable donations, stating that it goes against the UK Government's idea of a "Big Society".

SCVO argue this will harm charities for two key reasons:

- It will increase the cost of donating to charities for large donors, thereby reducing the income of charitable organisations. With around 50% of the £11bn donated to charities in the UK each year coming from just 8% of

- donors, the new rules will have a disproportionate effect.
- Today's donations are tomorrow's grants, and they translate into invaluable charitable activity in some of the most deprived communities in the country. Voluntary grants and donations made up 10.7% of Scotland's third sector income equivalent to £470m in 2010.

SCVO urges you to do the following:

1. Sign up to support the giveitbackgeorge.org campaign and add your comments on Twitter - charities will be campaigning using the hashtag **#giveitbackgeorge**
2. Sign letter and write to Michael Moore MP, Secretary of State for Scotland, calling on him to reflect the views of Scottish charities to his colleagues in the UK Government
3. Sign letter and write to John Swinney MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Finance, calling on him to urgently make representations to the UK Treasury on behalf of charities in Scotland

Download the [full briefing](#) from the SCVO website.

Apply for #citizenrelay to help track the 2012 torch across Scotland

#CitizenRelay (www.citizenrelay.net) is a participatory project which relies on the involvement of people from across Scotland to effectively report on the untold local stories and creative ways that Scotland's citizens are interacting with the Olympic Games. There are a number of ways that people can become involved and join the project. Firstly, CitizenRelay are still looking citizen media interns from the North/North West and North East of the country who will play a pivotal role in managing their regional activity before, during and after the Torch Relay passes through Scotland. If you have an entrepreneurial spirit, experience of working with content across multi-media/multi-platforms and can commit to being available between 9th and 13th June, 2012, then this might be just for you.

Alternatively, if you want to participate in CitizenRelay but have less experience of using multimedia tools then you can also be a citizen reporter. This will involve joining 50-60 people from across Scotland as CitizenRelay Reporters. You will receive training from other citizen journalists on how to go about blogging, creating podcasts, interviewing people and capturing the Torch Relay on camera. Training events in Glasgow, Inverness, Dundee and Edinburgh will take place from 3rd-6th May. To get involved, please send a 300 word pitch to david@citizenrelay.net before the end of April.

If you would simply like to be associated with the CitizenRelay project and perhaps want to share relevant content in such a way as to have it communicated to a wider audience, then please contact CitizenRelay directly.

CLD Standards Council and Education Scotland sign Framework Agreement

The CLD Standards Council for Scotland and Education Scotland have signed a Framework Agreement setting out their working relationship. The agreement was signed on the 4th April by Chair of the Standards Council, Duncan Simpson, and Chief Executive of Education Scotland, Dr Bill Maxwell.

You can read more about this agreement and what the signatories had to say about it [here](#).

New independent advice service for NHS patients

A new independent advice service has been set up offering advice and support to

NHS patients in Scotland. As part of the Patients Rights Act, the Patient and Advice Support Service (PASS) will raise awareness of patients' rights and provide support to patients on how to give feedback about their healthcare. Patients will also now have a legal right to complain, give feedback or comments, or raise concerns about the care they have received from the NHS. PASS will be delivered through local Citizen's Advice Bureaux offices and in some health board areas through Patient Information Centres. Visit the [Scottish Government website](#) for more on this story.

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Consultations and Surveys

Review of NHS Pharmaceutical Care of Patients in the Community

Voluntary Health Scotland is organising an event as part of the [Review of NHS Pharmaceutical Care of Patients in the Community – Scotland](#) on 23rd April at 2:30pm, St Andrew's House, Edinburgh

The Scottish Government is undertaking its wider review of the pharmaceutical care of patients in the community with the aim of developing a service which is a step shift away from being regarded merely as “dispensing of prescriptions” to one with its main focus as providing NHS pharmaceutical care with an increased emphasis on direct personalised care. Evidence will be gathered from a wide variety of stakeholders in Scotland from within the NHS, patient groups, the pharmaceutical and medical professions and their regulatory bodies, contractor representatives, educational bodies, and those working in social care and voluntary organisations.

The VHS discussion event will be approximately one and a half hours long and if you wish to attend please contact Bill Weir at bill.weir@vhscotland.org.uk. Read more on the event and the wider consultation [here](#).

Committee to examine the reality of Gypsy/Traveller lives

The Scottish Parliament has tasked its Equal Opportunities Committee to examine the reality of life for Gypsy/Travellers in Scotland. As part of this the Committee is seeking evidence from both Gypsy/Travellers and people who provide services to these groups. For the first time, the Scottish Parliament has produced a video version of its call for evidence to ensure as many relevant people as possible have a chance to respond. Find out more on the [Scottish Parliament website](#). The closing date for submissions is 13 July 2012.

Good Practice Examples of Accessible Information Wanted

Scottish Accessible Information Forum are looking for good practice examples of how you have made your information as accessible as it can be. SAIF want to showcase good practice examples on their website to continue to raise awareness of what you can do within your own organisations to make sure your information is accessible as it can be. So if you have a poster, information leaflet or a policy, for example, which you think is worth sharing please let SAIF know so they can promote it. Contact sburn@saifscotland.org.uk with details at <http://www.saifscotland.org.uk/showlog.php?weblogid=68>.

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Publications

Manifesto for Women - Local Government Elections 2012

The Scottish Women's Convention has produced a manifesto for the 2012 local government elections using the views of women throughout Scotland.

The information contained in this document can be used by women to raise awareness of issues – making sure family, friends and colleagues are aware of the concerns affecting women in Scotland today. SWG state the document can be used to challenge Local Government election candidates regarding local priorities for women.

Glasgow Womens Network provides more information on the resource in its [blog](#) where you can also download the manifesto.

Volunteer Assessment Toolkit

The Volunteering Impact Assessment Toolkit is a practical guide for assessing the difference that volunteering makes. It is aimed at anyone who involves volunteers in their organisation or coordinates their activities. This includes those who have broad managerial responsibilities for volunteers and those who run specific volunteering programmes in the government, private or voluntary and community sectors. Developed by the Institute for Volunteering Research, the Volunteering Impact Assessment Toolkit can be used to examine the impact of volunteering on a range of key stakeholder groups.

For further information on the Volunteering Impact Assessment toolkit, including a number of case study examples, please visit the [Volunteer development Scotland website](#).

GCPH report into Participatory Budgeting

Glasgow Centre for Population Health has published a report exploring the potential of participatory budgeting in empowering communities. [The role of participatory budgeting in promoting localism and mobilising community assets](#) focuses on the experience of Govanhill Community Action (GoCA), which was allocated £200,000 in 2010 with the task of deciding and being held accountable for its spend locally. It finds that participatory budgeting has enabled purposeful and reciprocal dialogue between community members and the public and third sectors within a neighbourhood where community engagement has proven especially challenging.

Broadly, participatory budgeting means giving people a say in how their taxes are spent locally. This usually means in practice that local people decide how to spend specific parts of a public budget. It was pioneered in Brazil in the late 1980s and current proponents claim that the Brazilian programmes succeeded in reducing inequalities. Find out more about participatory budgeting at <http://www.participatorybudgeting.org.uk/>.

A Flourishing Scotland - Sustainable Development: Scotland's voice for Rio+20

[A Flourishing Scotland](#) is the result of a participative workshop held in Edinburgh in December 2011 involving stakeholders with experience of sustainable development. Participants came together from public, private and third sectors to discuss Scotland's achievements since the Earth summit in 1992 and to discuss pathways to 2050. The document aims to provide a concise overview of progress and aspirations and will be available at the Rio Earth Summit in June.

Inequalities in accessing service provision

Glasgow and Heriot Watt Universities have produced a joint report providing a short synthesis of the academic research on how the middle classes fare in relation to local public services. *Sharp elbows: Do the middle-classes have advantages in public service provision and if so how?* addresses concerns in both academic research and in the policy and practice community that a demanding middle class can skew the benefits of local services to their own needs.

Amongst some of its interesting findings, the report argues that being possessed of a particular 'cultural capital' gives middle class people an advantage in negotiating with service providers. The report should be of interest to anyone concerned with how to deliver public services according to need in the current financial and political climate.

The full report is available [here](#).

Working in neighbourhoods, active citizenship and localism

This report from JRF's Working in Neighbourhoods project offers useful lessons for local authorities, neighbourhood practitioners, and communities, drawing on direct experience from practitioners in Bradford, and many other places. It argues that frontline workers are essential in neighbourhoods to co-ordinate problem solving and relationships between communities, decision makers and service providers. To read more on this and other interesting findings, visit [the JRF website](#).

New resources for working with children and young people

The Institute for Research and Innovation in Social Services (IRISS) has produced two pieces of work for practitioners working with children and young people. [Leading for outcomes: Children and young people](#) is a practical guide for leaders to use with staff to promote understanding of an outcomes-focused approach with children and young people. [Child care and protection research collection](#) contains a number of audio and video recordings concerning recent research on child care and protection topics. These were conducted between January and March 2012 and involved a number of academics, who specialise in particular areas of child care research, speaking about the subject of their project, the main findings, and the implications for policy and practice.

Reports from CDAS Members' Meeting

At the recent CDAS Members' Meeting on 9 March 2012, Andy Milne, Director of SURF (Scotland's Independent Regeneration Forum), gave an introduction to the Scottish Government's recent policy statement 'Achieving a Sustainable Future' and led a discussion on the prospects for community-led regeneration. [A summary of that discussion](#) is now available from the CDAS website.

The meeting also included a discussion which was part of a consultation on possible guidance or 'Standards' for community capacity building. SCDC, CHEX's parent organisation, is also involved in these discussions, and it is expected that a report on that consultation will be made publicly available in a few weeks' time. Any updates will be provided in Snippets.

Western Infirmary older people's care inspection report

The Scottish Government's inspection programme of older people's care in hospitals has produced its first report – on the Western Infirmary in Glasgow. Every general hospital which cares for older people will be inspected, as part of the inspection schedule. The Western Infirmary report highlights areas of good practice and suggests a number of improvements. More can be read about the inspection programme [here](#), and the Western Infirmary report can be accessed [here](#).

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Tesco Communities funding

CSV Fife has provided a summary of funding available from Tesco – specifically, the Tesco Charity Trust Community Award Scheme. To find out more [click here](#).

Bank of Scotland Foundation

Groups have until 16 April to apply for round two of the Bank of Scotland Foundation's Small Grants Programme. Scottish charities may apply for grants of up to £20,000 for projects that address two themes: developing and improving local communities or promoting financial literacy and financial inclusion. Grants are awarded for one year only and can be used for a number of things related to the project, such as rent, equipment and materials.

There are four funding rounds each year, and groups have three more chances to submit an application in 2012: 16 April, 16 July and 15 October. Organisations are normally notified of a decision within two months of the closing date. An application form and further information can be found on the Bank of Scotland Foundation [website](#).

Academics supporting community researchers

The Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC) is collaborating with the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) to enable community groups to work with academics in exploring their local heritage. The HLF's 'All Our Stories' programme will make available grants to enable community groups to research local historic landmarks, learn more about customs and traditions, delve into archives and find out the origins of street and place names, among many other activities. [For more information please go to the AHRC website](#).

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Events

Mind the Menu - rescheduled date (Dundee)

Community Food and Health Scotland has a new date for its postponed event, Mind the Menu: community food work supporting mental health and wellbeing. This free event will now be held at Discovery Point in Dundee, on Wednesday 6 June 2012. A networking and information sharing event for community organisations working with food in the field of mental health and wellbeing, the event will showcase the range of food work taking place across Scotland and will be an opportunity to share practice and resources, meet others, be inspired, and think to the future. Further information and booking form can be accessed on [the CFHS website](#). Bookings should be received by Monday 30 April.

Glasgow Global Storylines project event (Glasgow)

The Glasgow Global Storylines project is organising a Global Storylines information

event at the University of Strathclyde on May 3rd 2012. A joint venture between West of Scotland Development Education Centre, University of Strathclyde and Glasgow City Council, the project uses story and drama as an approach to teaching and learning. The event will give people an opportunity to hear about the project from the organisers and from the teachers involved. To find out more about this event, and to register, [click here](#).

Linwood's Question Time (Linwood)

Linwood Community Development Trust is inviting interested organisations and their members to a local Husting for the May elections. The event will take place on Monday 23rd April 2012, 7.00 pm, Tweedie Hall, Linwood. Doors will open at 6.30 pm. The event will be an opportunity for local residents and organisations to question the 7 candidates standing on any issues that they believe are important for Linwood and all 7 candidates have been duly invited to attend.

There are only 250 places available for this event, so to avoid disappointment, please pre-book a place (or places by indicating how many of your members wish to attend) by completing the [registration form on the Trust's website](#), no later than Friday 20th April 2012.

Innovative Activities in Interpreting Landscapes (Perth)

This event on 26th April provides the opportunity to learn about landscapes and how to interpret them. Organised by SNH and Scottish Countryside Rangers' Association It will introduce landscapes and land uses of Scotland and how they have developed over time, and instruct participants in how to interpret their local landscapes.

Lunch & refreshments will be provided. Cost: £25, Students/Senior Citizens/Volunteers: £12.50. To book please contact the SGP Team on 01738 458555/6 or email: sgp@snh.gov.uk.
Weblink: <http://www.snh.gov.uk/news-and-events/events/event-details/?id=1305>

Volunteering Zone Sessions (Stirling)

Volunteer Development Scotland are running more information sessions on their Volunteering Zone, an on-line method of registering volunteer roles across local authority areas to appear on the [Volunteer Scotland website](#). Using this website, volunteering opportunities can be posted directly online and kept up-to-date by organisations.

The online service offers features and benefits such as:

- secure online access to opportunities 24/7
- keeping information consistent across the country
- posting pictures and logos alongside opportunities and organisations
- publishing and un-publishing opportunities as and when required
- assign access to branches to use volunteer role templates and register them locally
- statistics about how many people are looking at your volunteering opportunities across the country
- access to events volunteers for events organisers

The next sessions take place as follows:

- Friday 20th April 1.00pm – 3.30pm
- Wed 9th May 1.00pm – 3.30pm

In order to book a place, please visit [this website](#). All the sessions will take place at

VDS in Stirling. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. If you have any queries, please contact Rebecca Dadge rebecca.dadge@vds.org.uk or Tel 01786 479593.

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Conferences and Seminars

Data Handling in Health and Social Care (Edinburgh)

A one day conference on Thursday 3rd May 2012 in Edinburgh, *Data Handling in Health and Social Care: Striking the balance between confidentiality, security and information sharing* will focus on data handling within the health and social care setting - covering the creation, management and storage of records; data protection; freedom of information; and the balance between patient confidentiality and the need to share patient information. Organisers, Mackay Hannah are offering a reduced rate of £99 + VAT for NHS, charities and third sector. Find out more about this event and book a place at www.mackayhannah.com or contact Jane on 0131 556 1500 or email [Jane](mailto:jane@mackayhannah.com).

European Year for Active Ageing Event (Edinburgh)

This event will take place on Friday 27 April 2012 at the Scottish Parliament from 10.00am - 3.30pm. Coordinated by Long Term Conditions Alliance Scotland in collaboration with the Joint Improvement Team, the Scottish Government, NHS Health Scotland, academic partners and community organisations, aims to promote cross sector collaboration on healthy and active ageing, and to share innovative ways to promote physical activity for older people, including those living with a disability.

Find out more and register at <http://www.ltcas.org.uk/news-and-events/events/date/1335484800/> or contact louise.wanczycki@ltcas.org.uk 0141 404 0231.

Sustainable Homes & Communities workshop (Glasgow)

Inspired by collaborations between academic researchers and professional and community organisations in taking forward ideas on sustainable homes and communities of the future, this *free half day event* provides an opportunity to discover and debate issues around the creation of sustainable places. The event will take place on Tuesday 1st May 2012, 1:45 – 4:30pm at University of Strathclyde, Collins Building, Richmond Street, Glasgow G1 1XQ. Participants will have the opportunity to:

- Take the Sustainable communities challenge and explore co-production of community visions
- Find out about a new model of sustainable design - plot-based urbanism for adaptive communities
- Join in the discussion about why current low energy buildings don't work - and how to fix them
- Gain insights into how Glasgow 2014 Commonwealth Games Athlete's Village will be a sustainable community of the future.

See full details and register for free [here](#).

Scottish Highland Renewable Energy Conference (Inverness)

Harper Macleod LLP will be hosting the third annual Scottish Highland Renewable

Energy Conference (SHREC) on 26 April 2012, 08:30 - 17:00. SHREC 2012 will provide a forum for those not only working in the sector, but also those who are keen to find out how they can become part of this burgeoning sector. With acronyms such as EMR, FiTs and RHI being buzz words, SHREC will provide practical advice on how to maximize opportunities in the wind/hydro/biomass and solar pv sectors for landowners, community groups and developers alike.

Delegate places cost £100.00 (plus VAT) and will include a post-conference networking drinks reception. Find out more and book a place [online](#).

Enable Scotland Annual Conference (Stirling)

Enable Scotland's is now taking bookings for its annual conference in Stirling on 12th May. This free event will include discussion, speeches, displays and workshops. Please contact the Marketing Team at ENABLE Scotland at marketing@enable.org.uk or call 0141 226 4541. Please see <http://www.enable.org.uk> for more information on events. Facebook: enablescotland
Twitter: @enablescotland

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Training

Training for youth workers and youth work volunteers (Aberdeenshire and Stirling)

Youth Scotland is running a series of free local training events across Scotland for Youth Workers/Leaders whether paid, sessional or volunteers. Participants will be able to develop new skills, increase their knowledge and meet other youth workers. Upcoming dates are:

- Aberdeenshire: Saturday 21st April, Wyness Hall, Jackson Street, Inverurie, AB51 3QB. Workshop topics: Terrific Toolkits, PVG Scheme Info Session, Games.
- Stirling: Saturday 28th April, Raploch Community Campus, Drip Road, Stirling, FK8 3RA. Workshop topics: Evaluation and Outcomes, Young People and Self Esteem, Youth Participation, Young People, Alcohol and Drugs

Book your place for both events [here](#).

RSPH Diploma in Nutrition and Health (Glasgow)

Community Food and Health Scotland (CFHS) wants more people to be able to deliver the Royal Environmental Health Institute of Scotland (REHIS) Elementary Food and Health course in their communities. Holders of the Royal Society for Public Health (RSPH) Diploma in Nutrition and Health can apply to REHIS to register as tutors to deliver the Elementary Food and Health course.

To this end, CFHS is offering to pay the course fees for seven community food practitioners to obtain the RSPH Diploma in Nutrition and Health. The course is being delivered by the Nutrition Training Company in Glasgow over 4 ½ days, from **11- 15 June 2012 (exam 27 June)**. Applicants must have the RSPH certificate in Nutrition and Health or an equivalent qualification.

If you are interested in taking up this opportunity, please read carefully the [accompanying information \(PDF 41 kb\)](#) before completing the [application form \(PDF 41 kb\)](#)

Closing date for applications is 20 April 2012.

Training for Trainers Event for Youth Workers (Glasgow)

Following January's 'Curriculum for Excellence: An Introduction for Youth Workers', Youth Scotland is offering a Training for Trainers event to talk you through the training programme and equip you with the skills and support materials necessary to deliver the session yourself. Delegates are expected to be competent trainers with a Youth Work background and an identified target audience to cascade the training to. The training that you will be equipped to deliver introduces youth workers to the ethos and rationale of CfE and provides tools to enable them to identify the CfE experiences and outcomes that they are delivering.

The training will take place on Monday 2nd May, 10am - 1pm, Education Scotland, The Optima, Glasgow G2 8DU [Get more info on the Training for Trainers Event here](#). If you do not want to attend the Training for Trainers Event, but would like to attend 'CfE: An introduction for youth workers', [please click here](#).

Organic Gardening course (Mull)

The Camas Centre, Isle of Mull, is offering the opportunity to learn while doing some useful, practical work in the vegetable garden at Camas and will be suitable for all gardening abilities. This is a week long course from the 2st – 27th April (Saturday to Friday) costing £189 per individual. Please visit the website, www.iona.org.uk and click on the Camas section for more information.

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Vacancies

Support in Mind Scotland Post (AIness)

Support in Mind Scotland is inviting applicants for a dual role position of Highland Regional Manager and Manager of Companas Cottage, a day resource centre for people affected by mental illness in AIness. This is a full time post with a salary of £29,259 - £31,761. Full details on [Goodmoves](#). Closing date: 20th April 2012.

Part Time Carer Support Worker (Dalkeith)

Midlothian Voluntary Action is looking to recruit a Carer Support Officer (Salary £20520 pro rata at 21 hours per week) to work with carers on a one-to-one outreach basis and within a group-work setting. The post will require working with carers to help increase their social and networking capacity; to give emotional/practical support and advice; to help identify needs and coping strategies; to enable the carer to take an active part in shaping the project around their needs and to value and recognise the major contribution that carers make to the delivery of community care services.

For an application pack please write to Midlothian Voluntary Action, 4/6 White Hart Street, Dalkeith, EH22 1AE, telephone 0131 663 9471, or email info@mvacvs.org.uk. You can also contact Janette Hope the Project Manager for more information on 654 1770. Closing date: Friday 20th April 2011

Chief Executive (Edinburgh)

Learning Link Scotland is seeking a new Chief Executive (Salary circa £40k to £46k) to lead the organisation in these exciting and challenging times, and build on achievements to date. The right candidate will have experience of working with or within the voluntary adult education sector, and the knowledge and understanding of the challenges faced by voluntary sector adult education providers. They must have proven experience of leadership and management within a similar strategic role and an understanding of the operation and requirements of voluntary organisations.

For more information and how to apply visit [Learning Link Scotland's website](#).

Social Development Worker (Glasgow)

Crossroads Youth & Community Association is recruiting a Social Development Worker (£27,717 pa + 7½% Unsocial Hours Payment) for its Link Up programme, exploring a new approach to improving the resilience of communities in Scotland. Ideally, you will have an understanding of asset-based approaches and have first-hand experience of Gorbals, Glasgow; the issues it faces and the agencies and community groups which operate there. More importantly, you will be able to work effectively on your own and have demonstrated exceptional skills and innovation in community-led work, including engagement, partnership and evaluation.

For more information visit [Goodmoves](#). All applications must be received by 18th April 2012.

Scottish Recovery Network – 2 posts (Glasgow)

The Scottish Recovery Network is seeking a Network Manager in Policy & Development (£31,719 to £33,395) and a p/t Communications Officer (£23,980 to £26,998, pro-rata for part time). The Network promotes and supports recovery from mental health problems, and operates as an autonomous and independent entity hosted by the voluntary sector organisation Penumbra.

Visit the Network's website <http://www.scottishrecovery.net> to download the job descriptions and application form. If you wish to discuss either post, please email info@scottishrecovery.net or call 0141 240 7790. To request a Job Pack please email humanresources@penumbra.org.uk or call 0131 475 2570. Closing date for applications: 20th April 2012.

Refugee Week Walking Tour Guides (Glasgow)

The Scottish Refugee Council is looking for six women from refugee backgrounds to lead walking tours of Glasgow during Refugee Week. The tours will be short, fun and aim to increase awareness of the lives of refugees living in Glasgow. You'll need to commit to two hours a week from 16 April - 23 June to work with the director to plan and rehearse the tours and must be free to lead several tours between Wednesday 20 June and Saturday 23 June.

To find out more about this role and to apply visit the [Volunteer Centre Glasgow website](#).

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Websites

Scotland's Environment Web

Have you ever looked for facts and figures on one aspect of biodiversity, only to find that the answer is buried within several web sites? The launch of Scotland's Environment Web <http://www.environment.scotland.gov.uk/> puts Scotland at the forefront of the world for sharing environmental information.

The site provides information at a range of levels suitable for different audiences from the general public to those with more technical interests. The website will provide access to data; a user friendly searchable library facility; key messages about the value and threats to our environment; and mapping tools designed to allow users to understand the condition of their local places. Visit the website to see how it can work for you.

Campaigns

National Spring Clean

Keep Scotland Beautiful aims to get 200,000 Scots out cleaning their favourite part of Scotland this Spring. It's completely free to take part, plus there are competitions and Greggs treats can be ordered for every person who takes part in your clean-up event. And if you don't fancy organising your own event, you can search our on-line map to see if there is an event in your area you can join.

More information, and on-line registration, can be found here:

www.keepsotlandbeautiful.org/springclean. If you would like to organise a clean-up event out-with the National Spring Clean dates (1st April – 31st May), you can order a free clean up kit here: www.keepsotlandbeautiful.org/cleanupkit

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