



Community Action Project

Relational Support in Schools and the community

Community Action Partner

East to West

Aim: East to West's mission is to bring hope to young lives that are vulnerable or 'at risk' and to actively pursue emotional, physical & spiritual wholeness for all young people. Their passion is to see young people impacted by hope and so to transform lives and communities and to see Youth Workers and Churches empowered and equipped to impact young people. Their ethos words are: passion, commitment, methodology and inclusivity as they want to be people of integrity who are compassionate, devoted, committed, selfless and fun.

Roles: There are several youth work roles within East to West such as being involved within a school context, offering mentoring to students who are struggling, or working with their Police Community Youth Worker on one of the projects detailed below. There are also one-off practical roles such as stuffing envelopes at newsletter times or cleaning the offices.

Based in Windsor:

- **Youth Befriending Team:** Based in Windsor, this is a partnership between RHUL Community Action and East to West whose aim is to work with young people aged 16 to 19 who are at risk of offending or are struggling to make the big decision that will govern their life. The 16 – 19 age range is a critical time when many young people leave education and start independent development, often resulting in self-removal from former positive influences. The YBT (Youth Befriending Team) offers relational support that focused on retaining young people in positive relationships for the sake of their development into becoming active and positive member of the community.
- **NEET Project:** Based in Windsor this project works with a group of young people who have become NEET (Not in Education, Employment or Training) to help them build self-confidence, self-esteem, teamwork and communication skills as well as other valuable life skills through workshops and activities to help them get back into education and/or work and achieve their full potential in life.
- **Detached Youth Work:** meeting young people in and around the local community in Windsor, getting to know them; offering them support and advice; directing them to local provisions and services; and possibly working with them to create a new youth provisions in the local area

Based in Runnymede, Spelthorne & Sunningdale

- **Pre-NEET Schools Project:** works with a group of young people from a local secondary school who are at risk of becoming NEET (Not in Education, Employment or Training) to help them build self-confidence, self-esteem, teamwork and communication skills as well as other valuable life skills through workshops and activities to help them stay in education and achieve their full potential in life.

Training: East to West provides one-to-one supervision meetings with a project manager and an induction with a project manager which should ensure agreed goals, mutual understanding and familiarisation with policies.

Location: Runnymede & Spelthorne area of Surrey as well as Windsor & Sunningdale

Times: Weekday evenings 6-9:30pm for detached work, 9am-3pm for mentoring in schools, other opportunities may vary. There are also training evenings every term.

CRB: A CRB Disclosure is required via the Community Partner.

Application: An Application form is available from the Community Action office. All volunteers must be [registered](#) as Community Action volunteers.

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