

ASIOX NEWS

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Befriender news

We are delighted to have launched our Befriender Programme! We have 2 Befrienders and they will be providing friendship and support to 2 individuals. We will be learning from this experience and looking to expand the programme next year. Keep an eye on the website for up to date information.

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Summer Gift Bags for Children of Survivors

Once again we were blown away by your generosity, as we reached out to you to create 46 bags full of goodies for the summer holidays! Case workers were delighted with your creative ideas, thoughtfully prepared to suit the age and gender of the child you were allotted. Your kindness makes a huge difference both to the children and to their parent. Thank you so much!



Kevin Hyland OBE

On 9 April, around 100 people joined us to hear Kevin share his insights and experience of modern slavery and human trafficking. Kevin was the UK's 1st Independent Anti Slavery Commissioner (2015-18) and continues to fight for the abolition of modern slavery across the world. Following the talk, one of our volunteers, Amy, wrote a Blog, which you can find on our News page, along with the video of the talk.

April Fundraiser results

We are so grateful to those of you who joined in with our fundraising initiative in April. You raised a total of £978, which will go a long way towards meeting the financial commitments of the Befriender Programme in the first year. Thank you!
If you would like to give towards our work, please use this link:
<https://www.stewardship.org.uk/partners/20358335>

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In July we supported Justice in Motion at their parkour production, On Edge. The dramatic story telling of modern slavery in the construction industry attracted a large crowd and created new conversations. You can read Desi's account of the event in the News section of our website.

News: County Lines Drug Trafficking

We learnt recently that British children under the age of 17 are the largest number of people in modern slavery in the UK today. Criminals are targeting our children and we want to help you understand the problem and know how to spot the signs. This is a terrible and violent crime that we must protect our children from.

Panorama recently broadcast a programme on BBC 1 at 7pm, 10 May and is now available in iPlayer. Why not use this documentary as a conversation starter with your children? The youngest victim we know of at this point in Oxfordshire is 6 years old.