

A big thank you to [Helen Moore Start](#) for her presentation and to Manchester Metropolitan Student's Union for hosting us. You can find out more about their [online volunteering hub here](#).

Manchester University are hosting a Volunteering and Social Justice Fair in October. You can [register your interest on Eventbrite](#) but you must be registered on their hub. If you have any issues please speak to Millie.

Remember to spread the word about Volunteer Meet Ups, the next one is on the 24th August, 5.30pm – 7pm

Keep an eye out for Spirit of Manchester Spirit Stories Week – we are looking for organisations to take part in interviews with us to put together 'day in the life' case studies for not for profit organisations.

Funding:

- Spirit of Manchester [ACT Fund](#) financed by the Eric Wright charitable trust – Improving access to volunteering and social action.
- [Fabulous Fan Fayre at Man City](#) - Fundraising Opportunity (unrestricted funding) find out more on Wednesday 8 August 2018, 12pm-1:30pm at Etihad.

Upcoming training:

Internal:

- [Managing difficult conversations with volunteers](#) – 14th August 2018
- [Effective Volunteer recruitment](#) – 19th September 2018

External:

- [ILM Level 3 Award in the Management of Volunteers](#) – 26th September 2018

Recruitment

- **Employer Supported Volunteering** – We're working with both Manchester health Care Commissioning and Manchester City Council to link their employees (who have 3 days volunteering leave a year) to short term volunteering opportunities. If you have any opportunities you feel fit with this then please get in touch.
- **Skill Givers** –links voluntary and community groups, charities and social enterprises involved in delivering physical activity in Salford and Manchester with businesses, via employer supported volunteering.
- **Do-it life** – New platform from Doit focusing on social action.
- Manchester University and Manchester Metropolitan University (see above)

Updates/opportunities/interesting bits and bobs

- Results of the Community Life Survey for 2017/17 have been published and can be viewed in a very easy format as part of the [NCVO Almanac](#).

- [Volunteer Experience Survey – latest update](#)
- [Club Matter](#) website supporting community sports clubs but has very good toolkits for organisations e.g. finance, marketing
- Good news:
 - [Well done LGBT Village Angels](#) who won Greater Manchester Heath and Care champion award: Dedication to Volunteering Award
 - [Well Done Men's Room](#) who have received the Queens award for Voluntary services
- [Nominations open for Manchester city Council's Be Proud Awards](#)

Attendees:

Thanks to everyone who attended from the following organisations.

Volition Community
Back on Track
British Red Cross
Longford Centre
Manchester Carers Forum
Shelter
One Manchester
Team Kinetic
Humankind
Creative Support Ltd
N-compass Northwest
Jo's Cervical Cancer Trust
Step-Together
Uni of Manchester Volunteering Team
Manchester Metropolitan University Volunteering Team

Details of the next VCF will be sent out shortly so watch this space. Also, If you know of a space that would be happy to host our next forum then do let me know, we're always looking for new spaces