

C2C Charitable Trust

SAFER FUTURE COMMUNITIES
Empowering local voluntary & community partnerships

Based in Northamptonshire, C2C is a Christian charity providing practical and pastoral support to offenders, or those at risk of offending, at any stage in the criminal justice process, to help them turn away from crime or help break the cycle of re-offending.

One of the services provided the charity is a community mentoring scheme for individuals, including youths, and their families. Using the COACH model, mentors help the individuals to address issues and to work to empower and enable them to have a positive, goal focussed approach. The service also links users into other services including accommodation, rehabilitation and treatment for drug and alcohol abuse.

Service users are offered support around their individual needs based on the seven, or nine for women, resettlement pathways of accommodation; education, training and employment; money, debt and benefit; health; family; attitudes, thinking and behaviour; drug and alcohol use; domestic violence; rape and prostitution.

Working in conjunction with Northamptonshire Probation Trust, the charity also provides Circles 180 mentoring and support for offenders on completed statutory licences.

C2C also provides an early intervention and appropriate adult scheme to individuals detained in police custody. The Custody Carer volunteers are available to talk to detainees and/or parents in police custody. The volunteers listen to people and conduct basic needs assessments, signposting and referrals to statutory and voluntary sector support in the community as appropriate.

The charity's Rock Project has a team of prison visitors who offer support to female offenders in HMP Peterborough during their sentence and after release. Support is also offered to male offenders released from HMP Woodhill and Onley.

The Cut-It-Out project works with young people, focusing on tackling youth crime by educating teenagers about the dangers of anti-social behaviour, entering into gang related crime and the consequences of violence. One of the aims is to bring home to young people the detrimental impact of crime on their future and the effects of crime for victims.

The project, which includes ex-offenders in the team, is delivered in schools and other settings, providing education talks and offering mentoring to youths and their families who are identified as being at risk of anti-social behaviour and violent crime. Community-based indirect restorative justice workshops are also offered.

Finally, the charity also provides six-weekly pamper sessions offering free haircuts, foot massages, facials and manicures to up to 80 service users, including substance mis-users, the homeless, prostitutes and women suffering from domestic violence or self-harm.

C2C, which has the endorsement of Northamptonshire Police, Northamptonshire Probation Trust and the local prisons, works alongside statutory and community groups to re-integrate offenders into the community.

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