

Endeavour

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Empowering local voluntary & community partnerships

For over 55 years, Endeavour has worked with disadvantaged young people across the country, including from its Nottingham office, focusing on young people not in education or training, young offenders and alternative education provision.

The charity's Big Lottery funded Inside Out Project works with young offenders in Nottingham City and Nottinghamshire to reduce reoffending by working with young people who are serving a custodial sentence whilst in custody and once released back into the community.

Working in partnership with Nottingham City Youth Offending Team, Nottinghamshire Youth Offending Service, Wetherby Young Offenders Institute and Werrington Young Offenders Institute, the project aims to reduce reoffending through a combination of holistic support and an activities programme, designed to keep young people engaged whilst building on their team work and communication skills.

Commencing whilst the young person is still in custody, in order to build a relationship and assess the needs of the young person upon their release, the project also supports them with accommodation and financial issues to ensure appropriate support is in place, and helps and encourages them to engage in education, employment and training.

One example of the success of the project is James, who was referred by the Vanguard Plus project, which works with young offenders involved in gang crimes, after he had been released back into the community following a period of detention at Werrington Young Offenders Institute.

James engaged in the project's programme and over time built up a good relationship with its staff. After he was released from another custodial sentence, during which he continued to receive support from the project, his attitude changed and his motivation to stay out of trouble was high.

By working with his Case Manager, James benefited from an intensive support package, including one-to-one sessions, which supported him to set up a bank account, address his accommodation issues, provide him with independent living skills and help him apply for a college course.

The opportunities the Inside Out Project has given James, alongside a combination of other support services, has resulted in him staying out of trouble, with no new offences or breaches of his court order, no evidence of gang activity, a place on a college course and a more positive approach to life.

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