

Social Responsibility Bulletin – 30 September 2009

Fair Trade – International Youth Conference Coventry

Join with young people from around the world for an exciting weekend at Coventry University 8pm 30 Oct – 5pm 1 Nov 09. There is a packed programme of exciting activities and stimulating input. There is a small fee. Info and booking through Cathedral contact: David Williams 024 7652 1265 or y4ft.coventry@gmail.com

Assisted Suicide

The DPP has issued guidelines on prosecution in cases of assisted suicide. Though the law hasn't changed, there is a shift in public opinion against such prosecutions, and consequently a pressure to set aside the principle of sanctity of life. This raises very difficult issues for some people - want to talk about this further, then contact John Hall 024 7652 1326 or john.hall@covcofe.org

Sat 5th December: Stop Climate Chaos Service/March - London

Just a reminder about this event mentioned in our last bulletin. We are hoping to book a coach, which will be booked when we are approaching 22 names. More than 22 names, then more coaches! Contact Ruth Wagstaffe for further info ruth.wagstaffe@covcofe.org

Act on Climate Change – ‘The Road to Copenhagen’

What is happening in Copenhagen this year? Well, more than 180 countries will join a UN meeting to thrash out a new international deal to tackle climate change. Questions like, Why we need to take action; What will happen if we don't act; Can we afford to act; The benefits of taking action will be discussed. For further information:

<http://www.coventry.anglican.org/socialresponsibility/socialaction/>

Sudan's Children – We Need Your Pencils!

The war in Darfur, Sudan has meant that half the population have had to flee their homes, most now living in refugee camps, and 7 years down the line the camps are still growing. Children's education is seriously threatened. The charity React (Refugee Education Across Conflicts Trust) has offered to ship some supplies across. Penny (Peace House) and the Darfur Community in Coventry are therefore collecting: pencils, rubbers, rulers, exercise books, English/Arabic dictionaries, tee shirts and winter jackets for ages 3 to 15. Please take any contributions to the JoJo Cyber Café, 77 Far Gosford Street, Coventry CV1 5DZ by 8th October anytime between 9am and 9pm. For further info contact Amer on 07947 430858

Understanding relations between faiths

A talk, "Islam and Its Relations with Judaism and Christianity" is taking place on Tues November 10th 7.30pm at the Muslim Resources Centre, Red Lane, Coventry. The speaker is Osman Sheikh, the chairperson is Jameela Qu'reshi. For info call Revd Jean Clark 024 7644 2400.

Keeping Health in Mind – Addressing Mental Health

Alison Hogger Gadsby, a Registered Mental Health Nurse and Dialectical Behaviour Therapist wants to start a conversation on mental health issues within churches and other faith communities. Alison is available to speak about mental health issues, and provide advice and training. (1 in 4 people will have experience of mental ill health in their lives) For info www.keepinghealthinmind.org.uk or email info@keepinghealthinmind.org.uk

Job Ad – CEMAP (Coventry Ethnic Minority Action Partnership)

CEMAP have a vacancy for a Development Manager, 28 hours NJC point 32 - £26,784 pa pro rata. For application pack contact Paul Smith 024 7622 3388 or paulsmith1961@btconnect.com Or write to CEMAP, c/o West Indian Community Centre, 159 Spon Street, Coventry, CV1 3BB.

Urgently Needed Items – Thank You, But Can You Help Again?

The request for wheelchairs, buggies/strollers for refugee families has been fully met, so thank you so much! We now need:

- mobile phones and their chargers (not Sim cards)
- suitable clothes that will impress at interviews - black trousers 34-35 waist, 34 -36 long length; suit; shirts and ties; jacket.

Problems continue with the transportation and storage of furniture. If you are able to help call Sue Sampson, smsampson@hotmail.com

Inter Faith Week – 15 to 21 November 2009

This is an advanced notice of 'Inter Faith Week' which takes place across the whole of England throughout the week of 15-21st Nov. Events have been planned that will help the continued building of stronger community links and promote better understanding between people of religious and non-religious beliefs. Let's build our communities together! Watch this space for further information!!!!

Voluntary Action Coventry - www.vac Coventry.org.uk/training

Would you like VAC training at VAC in any of the following areas?

13 Oct – Introduction to Child Protection. £20 – 10am to 12pm

14 Oct – Writing Effective Funding Applies £10 - 9.30am to 2.30pm

28 Oct – Identifying Outcomes for Funders £10. 9.30am to 2.30pm.

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