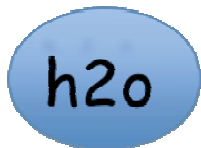


h2o will match clients to appropriate roles, which take into account clients' capabilities, skills, development needs, interests and aspirations

h2o will give support to clients to ensure their contribution to community organisations is valuable and valued

h2o will assist clients to find appropriate training courses or further education

h2o will assist organisations in finding the right volunteer and also maintain contact ensuring both the clients, and the organisations needs are being met



Westcountry Housing – North Area

provides a range of local opportunities that offer support, care and training for:

- People who are homeless or are threatened with homelessness
- Those recovering from alcohol and drug problems
- Those in the community who have additional support needs
- People with a learning disability

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Bridge Project

Supported independent living accommodation for adults who have experienced addiction to drugs or alcohol. A 'dry house'.

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Supported independent living for vulnerable adults in the community.

Jigsaw Furniture Project

Providing training and work experience for marginalised groups, and producing low cost furniture.

Grow@Jigsaw

Providing training and work experience for marginalised groups within horticulture.

Northdown Lodge

Residential care for learning disabled clients.

Volunteer Bureau

Volunteering opportunities within the organisation and partner organisations.



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"Seeing people, not problems"

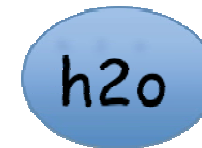
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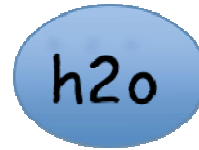


Volunteering

Volunteering can be a most rewarding thing to do – it can help promote physical and mental health, improve social contacts, lead to work, improve self confidence and esteem, but...
...it can also be difficult!

h2o can help

Our experienced volunteer mentors know what it is like to volunteer, and know what commitment is required. They can help you take those steps.



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Why homeless 2 opportunities?

The **h2o** project is part of Westcountry Housing a local charitable organisation helping vulnerable people.

We recognise that occasionally people would like to volunteer as a way of recovering control of their lives, but find some of the barriers too big!

Located within our Jigsaw Projects, **h2o** helps people who are homeless, or have suffered homelessness, to access volunteering opportunities, either within Westcountry Housing, or elsewhere.

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