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EASTER GREETINGS

Wishing you happiness, hope and peace this Easter time.



COVID — 19

In response to the latest UK government guidance concerning COVID-19, Youth Link's Training & Resource Centre is now closed. However the majority of staff are currently working from home and we are continuing to support programme participants and other stakeholders to the best of our ability.

Individual members of staff can be contacted via email as normal or by telephone 07512 081225.

We appreciate your patience and understanding at this difficult time and wish you well.

MOORLANDS NI VIRTUAL OPEN DAY

We are intending to hold our next Open Day virtually on **Friday 1 May at 11.00 am.**



This is an opportunity to find out more about Moorlands College, the BA (Hons) Applied Theology (Youth and Community Work) with JNC, meet staff and ask us plenty of questions.

Please book a place at <http://moorlands-ni-open-days.eventbrite.co.uk/>

TRANSFORM PROJECT

Transform has made some significant changes to delivery over these past few weeks, with all face to face sessions ceasing and now being delivered online via Zoom and Google Classroom. These new virtual sessions allow our youth work staff to continue to engage with young people on our project and support participants through this difficult and challenging time. Transform is extremely grateful to our funders SEUPB who have been very supportive of our new approach.



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EASTER BREAK

Youth Link staff will be on holiday for Easter from Friday 10 April until Friday 17 April 2020 inclusive.

DIVERSE VOICES —THROUGH THE LENS

In 2019/2020 the Youth Link: NI Unity in Community Project worked with young people and volunteers from across Belfast from diverse minority ethnic communities.

This has included providing mentoring and training support to volunteers involved in new and emerging youth groups; facilitating engagement and information sessions with parents, as well as developing the Diverse Voices Youth Programme, involving 20 young people from different heritage, faith and community backgrounds.

In recent months Diverse Voices has been involved in a skills development project, in collaboration with local film maker Larry Cowan, from Lamb Films. Young people are being supported to develop and capture key aspects of their experiences through the medium of film, highlighting the creativity within their communities as well as some of the more challenging aspects of their experience in NI. Group members have interviewed up-and-coming local hip-hop artist Jordan Adetunji, who was very generous and gracious with his time and even took part in an impromptu free-style session with the group.

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, the project has continued, with Israel and Joanne engaging with young people through online platforms. So all being well...Diverse Voices – The film, will be coming to your small screen, soon!



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TRAINING PROGRAMME

Please [click here](#) for Training Programme 2020/2021 or visit our website www.youthlink.org.uk