

AGENCIES WORKING WITH ASYLUM SEEKERS AND REFUGEES IN HUDDERSFIELD (up to date 15/02/2015)

**611, Elim Church, also known as Oasis
01484 543977**

Oasis Youth and Community Centre, Merton Street, Huddersfield, HD1 4BN.

- The church is opposite the bus station on the other side of the ring road. It's behind the big building space for the new swimming pool.
- Open Word on Monday, Wednesday 1 – 3 (opportunity to study the Bible and learn English at the same time); Thursday 10.30 – 12 for women and children
- Open Door on Friday 12 – 3 (an informal afternoon with food, games, advice, prayer for those for whom English is not their first language, term-time only, food served 1-2)
- Drop-in for asylum seekers and refugees open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 12 – 3
- Signposting to other agencies, help with form-filling, letter writing, phone calls.

Auntie Pam's

01924 438316 or 01484 414775

9 Northgate, Dewsbury, WF13 1DS and Queensgate Market, Huddersfield, HD1 2SU

- Drop- in service Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10-3 in Dewsbury, and Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 10-3 in Huddersfield.
- Support mums-to-be with housing, benefits, health, pregnancy information and relationships.

Brunswick Centre

01484 469 691 or 01422 341 764

Marten House, Fern Street East, St Andrew's Road, Huddersfield, HD1 6SB, behind ring road by Sainsbury's, beyond the canal

- Gives advice on sexual health, counseling and help on stopping smoking.
- Support people living with HIV, offer free rapid HIV testing
- Referral needed or book an appointment.

**Citizen Advice Bureau
0844 8487970**

**Kirklees Citizens Advice, 2nd Floor Standard House, Half Moon Street, Huddersfield, HD1 2JF
(the street leading from bus station to town (same as Pathways))**

- Drop-in service – Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9.30 – 3
- Free information, advice and support, referral to specialist services, in all areas, including benefits, debt, housing, employment and consumer issues

Dash
01484 937999 or 077 300 21823

30 New North Road, Huddersfield, HD1 5JY
(the first house on the A629 to Halifax, opposite the All Day Parking £2.00 sign)

- drop in on Tuesday afternoons 12.30-4pm
- offers advocacy, practical support, bus fares for signing in Leeds, hosting to asylum seekers and new refugees who are homeless

Fusion Housing

01484 425522

Floor 2, Pearl House, John William Street, Huddersfield, HD1 1BA

- Housing Advice Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10 – 12 and 1 – 3
- Housing Support open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 11 – 1 = offer specialist support to any person who has leave to remain in the UK, and is 16-60

Gudwara, Sikh Temple

01484 423 773 or 07973 300 404

Prospect Street , Springwood, Huddersfield, HD1 2NX
(Opposite Lidl in town on the far side of the ring road)

- Every day (most of the day)
- The main hall is open to all faiths for prayer and meditation. Open every day and food is almost always available. Main time for food serving is after 10.30 / 11.

Huddersfield Central Library

01484 221959

Princess St, Huddersfield, West Yorkshire HD1 2SU by Piazza, near covered market

- Monday: 9.30 - 6, Tuesday: 9.30 – 7, Wednesday: 9.30 - 5, Thursday: 9 - 7, Friday: 9 - 7, Saturday: 9 - 4
- IT facilities, registration free, access to diverse services

Huddersfield Parish Church

To reach the church walk downhill from train station, turn right into Lord Street (Mission, Welcome Centre)

- every day 8.30 – 4 except Sunday, when people are welcome to attend services
- place for quiet contemplation

Jubilee Centre (01484 551551)
Jubilee Centre, Market Street, Paddock, Huddersfield, HD1 4SH

- Global Cafe first Wednesday of every month, 6.30 – 9.30pm
- for anyone new to the UK, social space for people to enjoy time and food together

Kirklees Young People & Support (01484 221750)

- Refugee Move On Scheme – Temp Accommodation and support provided to Refugees who are homeless no priority. The refugee must first present at Housing Solutions who can then refer to the scheme. 5 rooms available, people needing the service can be placed on the waiting list should the accommodation be full **(Men only)**
- Floating Support Service – Tenancy related support provided to refugees who are in Council Tenancies and/or Temp Acc **(Men & Women)**

Methodist Mission (01484 421461)

3-13 Lord Street, Huddersfield, HD1 1QA, same building as Women's centre

- Monday to Friday 10 – 2
- café with advice and support on alcohol issues, drug problems, rough sleepers, homelessness, tenancy problems, benefits & debt advice
- contact person: Debs Murphy, manager

One Good Turn (07772194874)

**Methodist Mission, 3-13 Lord Street, Huddersfield and
Options Centre, 7 George Street, Dewsbury**

- Referrals to support people who are in urgent need of household items. Any funds raised buy things like cookers and beds for people who have very little. Once people get back on their feet again, they are keen to help other members of the group in return.
- Coffee mornings every Wednesday morning from 9-11am in Huddersfield and Thursdays from 10am-12 in Dewsbury.

Pathways to Integration

01484 313032

**Kirklees Citizens Advice, 2nd Floor Standard House, Half Moon Street, Huddersfield, HD1
2JF (the street leading from bus station to town)**

- Drop in on Tuesdays 11-3pm
- Appointments on Wednesdays and Thursdays
- Immigration and asylum legal advice and support. Also help and support for all migrants to integrate and access mainstream services.
- Go to CAB on second floor to wait, reception opens 9.30

Reach

01484 547113

New North Road Baptist Church, New North Parade, Huddersfield, HD1 5JU
same street as the Whitehouse Centre, just opposite bus station

- drop-in session on Tuesdays 11 – 1.30
- information and practical support, aims to combat isolation particularly for mothers with young children, and provides a hot meal and a range of clothing, free English classes
- Contact: Hazel Wigmore

St. Thomas's Asylum/Refugee Drop-in

07914554334

St Thomas's Church, Manchester Road, Huddersfield (opposite Wickes DIY store, road heading from town past the new Kirklees College)

- Wednesday 10-2(drop-in), 2-4 (appointment only)
- Guidance, support and signposting on asylum and post-decision matters
- Contact: Patrice or Constant

Town of Sanctuary (Huddersfield)

07952 810814

Friends Meeting House in Paddock, on Church Lane

- Sanctuary Supper: second Saturday of every month, 6.30-9
- Dates for 2015: 14.3., 11.4., 9.5., 13.6., 11.7., 8.8., 12.9., 10.10., 14.11., 25.12. (Winter warmer)
- food, conversation and more; help with transport to the supper provided
- Contact: Jane, janewildwood@yahoo.com
- **CRAFT GROUP** – dates for 2015 so far 9.2., 16.3., 20.4., 18.5. (Mondays)
- **10am-1pm** (including lunch) – more info: suzannewrigh2@hotmail.com



Volunteers Together (HAAS)

07804 867564

**St Thomas's Church, Manchester Road, Huddersfield HD1 3HU
(opposite Wickes, road heading from town past the new Kirklees College)**

- Wednesday 11.00-17.00; Thursday 11.00-17.00 (from July 2014)
- Volunteer training programme
- 'Welcome to Huddersfield' project for new arrivals
- Asylum & refugee drop-in: practical advice and support, signposting, referrals e.g. British Red Cross; housing, benefits, NASS support issues
- ESOL (from July 2014)
- **Contact: Marie and Ian, volunteerstogetherhaas@gmail.com**

Welcome Centre

01484 340034

Methodist Mission, 3-13 Lord Street, HD1 1QA

- Monday – Thursday 1-4 and Friday 1-3.30. Only by referral from another organization
- Provides food parcels, toiletries, bedding, towels and clothing, and home-starter packs for anyone in immediate need.

White House Medical Centre

01484 301 911

23 New North Parade, Huddersfield, HD1 5JU

same road as REACH

- Monday – Friday 9-4.30
- Healthcare, GP services for people have troubles accessing healthcare otherwise (homeless, without status, asylum seekers...)

WomenCentre

01484 450 866

**15 Lord Street, Huddersfield, HD1 1QB
(same building as Mission and Welcome Centre)**

- Thursday 9.30 – 12.30pm - Women Together: social/therapeutic group
- Friday 12 - 2 - Women in Exile specialist support service for women asylum seekers and refugees and children, clothes exchange
- Sew Good – sewing group open to all (Friday 9.30 – 12)
- Yoga – Monday 11 - 12
- WomenCentre offer family support, learning opportunities, one to one case working and group work, variety of therapies
- The centre is open Monday to Friday

OTHER SERVICES

Support for families and children

- **Childrens Centres** - See Kirklees website for details of individual centres.
<http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/childrenscentres>
- **Schools** - family support for new arrivals : help to access a school; contact person: Sarah Argyle, phone: 01484 225509 and 07980 701594.
- **Uniform Exchange** – free recycled school uniform items : www.uniform-exchange.org, info@uniform-exchange.org or donate items at a Sure Start Children's Centre. Can also apply at Methodist coffee mornings on Wednesdays.

ESOL/English and other courses

- Kirklees College runs ESOL courses, at various levels for various groups of people. For more information contact phone: 01484 437000 ext: 7113
- Hillhouse Community Resource Centre, Fartown, run ESOL classes, phone: 01484 544623
- Sure Start Childrens Centres may run ESOL courses, for their client group.
- Volunteers Together (HAAS) English classes: every Wednesday 14.00 – 16.00 starting 13th August 2014 at St Thomas's Church, Manchester Road. Huddersfield. HD1 3HU
- Talk English Course at Paddock Village Hall, Paddock. HD1 4TX – Tuesdays 13.00-15.00 and Wednesdays 10.00-12.00. For beginners. English for every day life. Tel: 01484 431400.
- Talk English Conversation Café at Paddock Village Hall, Paddock, HD1 4TX – Thursday 13.00-15.00. English for every day life. Tel: 01484 431400.
- Trinity Methodist Church, Spaines Road, Fartown, HD2 2SA – Tuesday mornings 9.30-12.00. Free English Classes: beginners – entry level 3. Tel: 07975854971 or 01484 76858 for details.

SIGNING AT THE WATERSIDE COURT – HOME OFFICE Leeds Unity Centre

0781 343 8783 (please call to check we're open)

Everlasting Father's Assembly, 15 – 17 Walter St, LS4 2BB
just a 10 minute walk from Waterside Court

- provides support and advocacy for asylum seekers required to report to the Home Office, coffee/tea and chat before you go in
- leedsunitycentre@hotmail.co.uk

Urban House (prev. Angel Lodge) (01304 806765)

Love Lane, Wakefield, WF2 9AF

- Provide initial accommodation for asylum seekers before they are dispersed into NASS accommodation.
- **Migrant Help- Asylum Help Services (Y&H & N/E):** Khami Miraf (Community Liaison/ Volunteer Co-ordinator). **Tel:** 01304 806765 **Mob:** 07815692346 **Fax:** 01304 800319