

GIFT AID DECLARATION FORM

Just fill in this form and return to:

Post: The Exchange, New Road, Brighstone. PO30 4BB

Email: sway.exchange@mail.com

giftaid it

My details are:

First Name Surname

Home Address

..... Postcode

SWAY can increase your donation by 25% at no cost to you by ticking here.

I want to Gift Aid my donation and any donation I make in the future or have in past 4 years to SWAY. I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less income tax and/or Capital Gains tax than the amount of Giftaid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

Signature Date

Please notify SWAY if you want to cancel this declaration, change your name or home address or no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains. If you pay income at the higher or additional rate and want to receive the additional tax relief due to you, you must include all your Giftaid donations on your self-assessment tax return or ask HM Revenue and Customs to adjust your Tax code.

STANDING ORDER MANDATE

To the manager (your bank Name)

Bank Address

Sort Code / / Account number

Account in the name of

Please pay to: **South Wight Area Youth Partnership (SWAY)**

Account no: **81783211** Sort Code: **40-34-26**

The sum of: £2 £5 £10 £20 Other

*Sway Update
February 2020*



**Bringing hope and focus to
Youth & Families of South Wight**

Email: sway.exchange@mail.com

www.southwightyouth.org

South Wight Area Youth Partnership | Charity Registration 1160139



Christmas Celebrations

The 2019 Brighstone Christmas Tree Festival was a wonderful event, lasting for over a week, raising nearly £14000 for a variety of Charities, including SWAY. It was a truly inspiring time, which attracted big crowds. SWAY young people and the whole team were involved at the heart of the weekend; throughout the weekend young leaders volunteered with car parking at the Pearl and then served mulled wine and mince pies at the Stars of Wonder concert on Sunday evening; Gap Years, Michael and Luke performed songs memorably during the concert, Youth and Families worker Jennie and Chair Peter Johnson also performed, whilst Lead Worker, Andy Dorning gave an overview of the work to the audience gathered for the festive treat.

Last term was another busy one with very healthy numbers attending Niton groups, several visits to either Harbour Church in Portsmouth or Big Church night in Southampton Central Hall and a growing number of families working with us. The team were at full stretch for sure.

Family Work

We want to share a little of our work with families in this Update. Jennie and Andy work regularly with a number of families in a supportive capacity. This entails them attending meetings at Schools, in County Hall, at the Strengthening Families network and a variety of other groups committed to helping families and young people. This is demanding and stressful work, requiring real commitment and involving a major time involvement for Jennie and Andy. We are very privileged to have the support and expertise of a qualified family therapist working with us and this is a great benefit to Jennie.

We do receive positive feedback from our families as a result of our involvement with them. A couple of examples might suffice here to illustrate this:

From a Christmas card – “Just wanted to let you know how incredibly special and inspiring you and your team are. With all my heart and great thanks for the way you have supported me.” From receiving help from us, they are now more independent and able to give back by helping out in events and in their community.

From another card written by a family – “Thank you for everything you have done for me and my family.”

Community Hub

Moving on to a matter which has occupied the Trustees’ minds over recent months, we are just beginning to circulate our consultation paper regarding a Community Hub in the SWAY area. We have been working on this for some time and considerable prayer has gone into its preparation. This hub would be for the whole area of SWAY and would serve as a focus and base for the wider work of SWAY. It would serve as a community focus and hopefully incorporate other groups as users too.

We are actively looking for a location at the centre of our area, most probably in Chale. Community is a

key word for us this year. SWAY has recognised the lack of community spaces in the area and is keen to rectify this through the idea of a community hub.

As a Christian Charity our ethos is to have community right at the very core of our thinking, decision-making and practice. Community is something that so many around us are desperate to experience and be a part of. This is at the heart of our vision for a community hub. We visualise this hub to be a place to meet, to foster hope, to learn new skills, to find a listening ear and to make new friends.

If you have a look at our website – www.southwightyouth.org – you will find the complete consultation paper there that is currently being circulated to friends, partners and stakeholders. We hope to arrange a public meeting to discuss this in the near future.

The Year Ahead

And so to the year ahead – in uncertain and challenging times – what are SWAY doing?

We have lots of exciting plans and hopes. We have another visit to Harbour Church lined up for our young people on Sunday, 16th February. There is a weekend camp in the New Forest based at Ferny Crofts on the 24th– 26th April for our Young Leaders. We are looking forward to getting our older young people together to share some time together, have some fun and plan some things for our Corf Camp on 5th – 7th June. Corf Camp has been a popular time in recent years and we look forward to welcoming families to the BBQ on the Saturday evening and to the delightful Newtown Church on the Sunday morning, where we will be leading the worship there.

There will no doubt some summer activities for young people and then there is our 2nd Lakes Residential trip between the 2nd – 6th August, which is being booked up as we write. We will be based at St John’s in the Vale at the Diocesan Youth Centre and we have already started planning for this exciting climax of the year.

In the meantime, we are busy with our weekly groups in Niton, Chale, Shorwell and Brighstone, as well as our events in conjunction with Youth for Christ.

For your prayers for 2020:

- for the Hub idea to be grasped imaginatively and positively by all sorts of people
- for the Admin post (hopefully appointed by the time you read this) to help with the smooth running of SWAY
- for a new Youth Trainee Worker for a 3 year period, that we find the right one
- for more helpers at the various youth groups
- for energy for Andy, Jennie, Michael and Luke

Thanks for all God has done in and through us and amongst the people, young and old, that we serve.