## Market stalls and Fundraising

Thank you to everyone who has donated time to spend on one of our outreach stalls in Village Halls, Street Markets and Health and Wellbeing festivals the last year, from Oundle to Thrapston and villages in between we have enjoyed every one of the events. We still have the wonderful Christmas Markets to come!

It has been great to spend time together and spread the word of VA to as many people as possible.

If you would like to join us on an event - or think that your local village or town market would benefit from VA being there - please contact

Rachel in the office to discuss.



## **Raffle Tickets and Quiz Sheets**

This is your last chance to purchase a Christmas raffle ticket (must be purchased by 14th December.

The prize winning draw will take place on 18th December)

Prizes: £250 family portrait voucher, round of golf for two people at Oundle Golf Club, a £100 Waitrose voucher and a case of wine from Amps of Oundle.

Priced at £1 per ticket or £5 for a book of 5 tickets – this is a much needed fundraiser for the local charity. Please contact <u>admin@volunteeractionoundle.org.uk</u>
or call 01832 275 433 to purchase yours today!

Also our Grand Annual Quiz is still open until 31st December 2023 (draw will take place on 6th January 2024). Pop into Colemans in Oundle or the Oundle bookshop to purchase your copy or call us at the office and we can send you a PDF copy via email. £1 to enter and up to £100 top prize!

## Supporter Recognition Event - Barnwell Village Hall

Thank you to all who attended this year's recognition event on 27th September at Barnwell Village Hall - fantastic to see so many of you attend. A buffet and drinks were provided and lots of chatting and laughter was heard in the hall. Short presentations from our Chairman, Manager, The Car Scheme and Befriending Service and a closing presentation by Helen Harrison.

Congratulations to the winners of our Long Service and Outstanding Contribution certificates this year!

15 years service - Sheena Hill, Mel Lee & Alan Sinfield 5 years service - John Barratt, Penny Smith, Emma Hanson, Sue Graham & Jane Finlayson Special Recognition: Michael Barnwell, Gill Currie, Jan Jerwood & Anne Plowright



## Worried about your bills this winter?

HOUSEHOLD RURAL SUPPORT FUND

Are you living in a rural town or village in North Northants and struggling to pay your bills?

We can HELP

Food Vouchers

· Energy saving equipment

 Energy Payments

To apply and for more information contact acre@northantsacre.org.uk 01604 765888



Northamptonshire ACRE (NACRE) is delivering a Rural Support Programme throughout 2023 to residents and communities in rural areas of North Northamptonshire.

This programme is aimed at those people who may be experiencing food and/or fuel poverty and is funded through North Northamptonshire Council's Household Support Fund 3.

We are keen to work in partnership with other groups to ensure we get help to the people in our rural communities who need it most.

Please contact NACRE on the number listed to the left.

## Thank you to our supporters & partners



































## How to leave a gift to Volunteer Action in your Will

If you, or your loved ones, have benefited from the support and service that Volunteer Action provides, why not consider leaving us a gift in your will. I hope that the information below will help to answer any questions you might have about leaving this special gift to the Charity:

#### Why should I leave a gift in my Will to Volunteer Action?

Gifts left to VA are absolutely vital to our work. They enable us to run our essential services for older people - including our Community Transport Scheme and Befriending Services. They help us to expand our work and look for new ways to tackle the issues facing people as they get older, such as poverty, loneliness and isolation. Much of what we do would not be possible without gifts in wills.

#### There are 3 main types of gift you can leave in your will:

- A residuary gift is a percentage of your estate once any specified gifts have been made to friends and family. Many of our supporters choose to leave this type of gift because its value will be dependent on the value of your estate at any given time rather than a set amount. This provides supporters with more flexibility when deciding how to ensure that their loved ones are well looked after first and foremost.
- A pecuniary gift is a specific amount of money. It's worth bearing in mind that the effects of inflation mean that this type of gift is likely to lose value over time and may end up being less than you initially intend.
- A specific gift is a gift of a specified item such as a personal possession, land, buildings or stocks and shares.

#### Is it difficult to change my will to leave a gift to Volunteer Action?

Not at all. In fact, if there are no other changes you want to make, you might decide to add a supplement to your will to make an amendment (known as a codicil).

Let us know about the gift you have chosen to leave VA today on admin@volunteeractionoundle.org.uk - we thank you for your support.

## **Become a Friend of VA**

You can choose to become a Friend of VA by setting up a regular, monthly donation via Standing Order in any amount to suit you. This monthly amount helps to support the services we provide to the local community.

You will receive a monthly update via email, an invite to our social events to say thank you to volunteers and supporters and a warm feeling knowing that you are instrumental in the survival of a vitally needed service in East Northamptonshire.

Please use the details below to set up your standing order to Volunteer Action on a monthly basis - any amount you can comfortably donate will help us continue our much needed service to the community.

**Bank name: CAF Bank** 

**Account Name: Volunteer Action Oundle** 

Sort Code: 40-52-40

Account Number: 00031964



# Other ways you can help support the Charity

We really appreciate the support we receive, both in time given by our volunteers and in terms of financial contributions.

Below are some ways that you could help to support the charity whilst shopping online at no extra cost to you, Gift Aid information and also info on our popular 200 Club, a chance to win each month whilst providing much needed funds to help VA support as many people as possible.



# Join the 200 Club

Don't forget to renew your membership or join as a new member for 2024's first 200 Club - we have increased the numbers available and increased the prize money! - Payment details on the membership form enclosed. Recommend us to your friends and family - it is now open to all! Join us today and help support VA!



A new and simple way to raise funds for Volunteer Action

Please remember to use easyfundraising every time you shop online! Over 7,000 brands will donate, so you can raise FREE donations for us no matter what you're buying. These donations really help us out, so please sign up if you haven't yet. It's easy and FREE! You can get started at:

easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/volunteeraction



Are you a UK taxpayer? If you are, this means we can claim extra money from HMRC on top of your donations (with your completed form). An extra 25p for every £1 you donate at no extra cost to you!

Gift Aid forms are available for collection from our office or we can post to you. We can also email a PDF - please call the office for more details.



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