

Move On report to the Trades House of Glasgow

The Trades House of Glasgow generously awarded Move On a grant of £623 in September 2023 to contribute to our FareShare Glasgow and the West of Scotland (FSGWS) volunteer costs for 10 volunteers for 12 months. Thank you!

How your grant helped

Your grant helped us to sort and distribute food to feed people living in poverty and facing food insecurity in Glasgow and the West of Scotland, while also supporting our volunteers to improve their employability skills, gain practical work experience, increase their self-confidence, and reduce social isolation.

“On top of the work experience I’ve gained, FareShare has built my confidence and employability skills as I’ve attended mock interviews and been supported by all the staff.” FSGWS volunteer

Our volunteers are supported to gain practical experience and work skills. Their role includes rotating stock, sorting, storing and delivering food, depot upkeep, administration, and liaising with community members.

All our volunteers complete Health & Safety and Manual Handling training.

In addition:

- ✓ 6 completed forklift training
- ✓ 8 completed food hygiene Level 1 training
- ✓ 6 completed first aid at work training
- ✓ 6 completed health and safety level 5 training
- ✓ 4 completed COSHH training
- ✓ 4 accessed one-to-one support with their literacy skills from our in-house Literacy Worker



Our specialist Development Workers, trained in trauma-skilled practice, provide one-to-one and person-centred support throughout their volunteer journey, helping them to build confidence and positive social networks. They’re supported to identify goals, create learning plans, and undertake training. Volunteers are encouraged to engage with our other services such as mentoring and literacy and numeracy support.

“FareShare has helped me a lot. I have improved my confidence, as well as my English. I have also achieved my forklift licence.” FSGWS volunteer



June has been nominated for the Social Enterprise Volunteer Champion Award!

One of our most regular and long-standing volunteers, June, volunteers four days a week and has done so for the past six years. She has volunteered over 5,000 hours, personally supporting our service to distribute over 120,000 meal portions!

The Social Enterprise Volunteer Champion Award *"recognises an individual volunteering with a social enterprise that goes above and beyond to make a difference"* and the winner will be announced at the Social Enterprise Scotland Awards at The Scottish Parliament in November.

FareShare Glasgow and the West of Scotland updates

FSGWS serves **13 local authority areas**, containing 52% of the population of Scotland.

3.85 million meals (equivalent) distributed last year (equal to **1615 tonnes of food**).

1520 tonnes CO₂ saved from food that would otherwise go to waste.



Over the last year we've supported:

65 people to gain qualifications including SQAs and Community Achievement Awards.

35 people into further training or education.

10 people to secure employment.

4 people to secure apprenticeships.

12 young people to gain their driving licence through our Driver Employability Training Service.

We currently support 3 colleges, 1 university, 5 High Schools, and 2 groups of students with learning and social support needs to gain training and work experience.

Thank you for your support!