

# TFN Impact Report



<b>Name of your Organisation:</b>	Gallows Close Centre
<b>Name of the project TFN funded:</b>	Gallows Close
<b>Date Funded by TFN:</b>	27/01/2022
<b>Were you able to undertake your project as planned?</b>	Yes
<b>If no, please outline how the project has changed.</b>	
<b>Can you describe and/or demonstrate the specific impact that TFN funding has had against your initial objectives?</b>	<p>With the funding we were able to deliver some of the following...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Football coaching</li> <li>- Family beach trips</li> <li>- Bush craft activities within our local woodland areas &amp; community garden</li> <li>- Arts &amp; craft sessions</li> <li>- A four day residential trip to Wales</li> <li>- Family day out to York Maze</li> <li>- Free healthy lunches - we handed out over 1000 free meals in summer 2022</li> </ul> <p>Our Wales trip particularly stands out for us, it was the first time we were able to provide a residential trip which was an amazing experience, not just for some of the young people who use the centre but also for a variety of different children which we had never met before. We liaised with local schools and the pupil referral unit asking them to refer some children that may have never been away from the family home, or they may have been young carers needing a rest bite. The trip was very successful and each child came away having achieved something they never thought would be possible.</p> <p>If I was given a pound for every time we heard 'I can't do this' I would have enough to book the trip again.</p> <p>Fingers crossed in the future we can organise another similar trip.</p> <p>We have now employed an office manger who has become an integral part of the team and is working on future funding applications as well as raising our profile. We are most definitely reaching out to more families further a field, we have new volunteers which include staff with visible disabilities.</p> <p>We have two new toddler classes running and 2 new performing art classes, we have 20 home schooled children attending woodwork sessions in our newly refurbished workshop. We have a bike maintenance club which teaches young people how to maintain and care for their bikes, the bikes are donated from</p>

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	<p>local people and given to the children once fixed, or we sell them to keep the project running.</p> <p>We are stronger than ever and there is a vital need within our community for the services and activities in which provide and often get asked if we will be doing another residential trip.</p>
<b>What portion of the project did TFN fund?</b>	5%
<b>How many direct beneficiaries did the TFN funded project reach?</b>	85
<b>How many indirect beneficiaries did the TFN funded project reach?</b>	80+
<b>Were you able to leverage further funding as a result of TFN support?</b>	Yes
<b>If yes, how much were you able to raise?</b>	<p>£2000 Two Ridings</p> <p>£1000 Barrowcliff Big Local</p> <p>£2500 Locality Budgets</p>
<b>Did you receive any pro-bono support, volunteer offers or introductions as a result of the event?</b>	No
<b>If yes, please can you provide details of the support you received?</b>	
<b>Has the training you received from TFN better prepared you in pitching your organisation to potential funders?</b>	Yes
<b>Has TFN increased your capacity to raise further funds?</b>	Yes
<b>How important was TFN funding in helping you achieve your objectives?</b>	We would have found it difficult to achieve our objectives without TFN funding
<b>Since presenting at TFN, has your organisation undergone any other significant changes?</b>	We have 6 new members on our board of directors with a variety of skills to support the future of the centre.

	<p>We are looking to have our kitchen extended, this will be a £20,000 project which will enable to deliver cooking lessons to young people, families and new parents.</p> <p>We are also looking to create a play area for children under the age of five, however this is going to take a lot of fundraising.</p>
<p><b>Do you have any other comments or feedback on the experience of the TFN process?</b></p>	<p>We won an award for Best Community Award in 2022 and we also waiting to hear if we have won a QAVS Award (Queens Award for Voluntary Service).</p> <p>We cannot thank you and the funders enough for your support and giving not just the staff but many young people to enjoy a variety of activities and the residential trip.</p>
<p><b>Can you tell us any personal stories to highlight the value of the project?</b></p>	<p>Eve - Beneficiary - Parent Guardian - Volunteer</p> <p>Where do I start!</p> <p>Here goes, moving to Barrowcliff we were all nervous. Our grandson came into our care at the age of 3. He is being screened for ADHD and Autism. You can imagine how hard this is for us all. I decided to follow Gallows close centre on Facebook to see what was on offer. I saw a post for a football club which was on Saturdays. Anxious, I gave them an email. The response was lovely and we decided to take our grandson along. My stomach was churning, not knowing how Bailey would react.</p> <p>From the second we met the staff we were greeted with a smile and such a calming approach, I thought why I was anxious.</p> <p>From then on Bailey's confidence has blossomed. I became a volunteer myself for the centre. Bailey will walk with the staff and friends he has made to the beach, woods and anywhere they go. I myself can't walk that far sometimes.</p> <p>Bailey was offered a place on the residential trip to Wales. As we are Bailey's guardians and a volunteer I was able to join the trip as Bailey needed some additional needs support and otherwise would not have been able to go, then my husband became a volunteer too, he himself is suffering from depression. Plus, other things, he was then asked to go to Wales, how excited were we.</p> <p>To see all the children from the Barrowcliff community achieve what they did was truly amazing. The staff, volunteers and children are a huge family to us. Not sure where we would be if it wasn't for them. Every member is a huge credit to Barrowcliff.</p> <p>Us as a family appreciate everything they have done. Our family forever.</p> <p>Thank you Eve, Paul and Bailey.</p>

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