

This Guide is for use by **carers who can self-refer** to services and for all **professionals** across the third sector and statutory sectors to **signpost or refer directly** to Carer Breather services.

The **fifteen Carer Breather organisations** listed below have received funding for three years to deliver their programmes of work (Apr 1, 2025-Mar 31, 2028). All are on our website and can be found at https://www.carerstogether.org/support-network/

This Guide tells you how to **refer** to each Organisation & **what support/service** their Carer Breather Project will provide to unpaid carers.



https://www.bazookaarts.co.uk

Instagram: @bazookaarts
Facebook: Bazooka Arts

CREATIVE AND CONNECTED CARERS

What the project offers

Therapeutic Arts Programmes in a wide range of artforms: visual art, drama, yoga, dance, photography and film.

Bazooka Arts' team of Arts & Health Specialists and Arts Therapists work with a person-led and holistic approach to build confidence, self-esteem and social connections contributing to improved mental, social and physical health.

Main referral details

Contact the team at create@bazookaarts.co.uk

Location(s) of service provided

Summerlee Heritage Museum Kirkshaws Neighbourhood Centre Outreach & Online.

Who service is available to

All unpaid carers and cared for people across North Lanarkshire.









www.centralscotlandadventures.org
Central Scotland Adventures |
Kilsyth | Facebook



https://www.cace.info/

CARERS OUTDOOR WELLBEING PROJECT

What the project offers

- Water sports:
 Paddleboarding, Canoeing, Kayaking and Team Building
- Cycling

CARERS WEEKEND BREAK

What the project offers

A monthly Saturday service:

- Supporting carers to have weekend time away from some caring responsibility
- An opportunity for carers to obtain peer support and connection on a Saturday
- A Saturday programme that offers stimulation, and connection to others for those being cared for.

Main referral details

Contact Rab & Jos at

info@centralscotlandadventures.co.uk

Location(s) of service provided

Auchinstarry Marina, Kilsyth Local Lochs & Lochs/Rivers within Loch Lomond & the Trossachs

Who service is available to

All unpaid carers, cared for people and their families across North Lanarkshire.

Main referral details

Contact Lindsay Graham at <u>Lindsay@careatcace.com</u> or info@careatcace.com.

Location(s) of service provided

Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and the Northern Corridor

Who service is available to

All unpaid carers, cared for people and their families (where appropriate) across North Lanarkshire.









glenboigdevelopmenttrust.org.uk

GDT CARER BREATHER SITTER SERVICE

What the project offers

Carer sitter service providing 2 hours of support for person being cared for to allow carer time for themselves.

Contact Neil McDowall at neil@glenboignh.com

Main referral details

Location(s) of service provided

Glenboig Neighbourhood Centre 110 Main St, Glenboig ML5 2RD

Who service is available to

Carers living in Glenboig and Coatbridge.

INCLUSIVE CARER BREATHER FOR DEAF PARENTS AND FAMILIES



facebook.com/LanarkshireDeafHub/

Lanarkshiredeaf.org (under development)

What the project offers

Meaningful breaks and tailored support for deaf carers in North Lanarkshire who support children, young people, and adults with diverse needs, including underlying health conditions / long-term conditions.

We will offer accessible, culturally sensitive activities designed specifically for deaf communities, ensuring all sessions are delivered in British Sign Language (BSL). Planned activities include: Respite and Time-Out Opportunities & Art Therapy Workshops.

Main referral details

Contact Derek / Nicola at manager@lanarkshiredeaf.org 50plus@lanarkshiredeaf.org

Location(s) of service provided

Lanarkshire Deaf Hub 105 Roman Road, Motherwell, North Lanarkshire ML1 1EA

Who service is available to

Deaf carers across North Lanarkshire.





https://www.nldforum.org.uk/

THE LITTLE CARE HUB

What the project offers

Support, information and wellness sessions. These can be 1-1's or in groups. We can bring the sessions to organisations if they have carers they are working with. By bringing the support to their venue this allows carers to access this is a comfortable and familiar setting making the service more accessible to people.



https://pamis.org.uk/

PAMIS CARER BREATHER PROJECT

What the project offers

Support for carers of children (of all ages) with profound and multiple learning disabilities. Please contact Pamis for further information.

Main referral details

Contact Laura McGlinchey at lauram@nldforum.org.uk or call 07761040668
Online referral form: https://nldforum.tfaforms.net/3

Location(s) of service provided
All over North Lanarkshire

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Who service is available to

Available to all carers across North Lanarkshire – carers only and cared with cared for sessions available.

Main referral details

Contact Lesley McLaren at lesley.mclaren@pamis.org.uk

Location(s) of service providedNorth Lanarkshire wide

Who service is available to

Available to all carers in North Lanarkshire caring for a child of any age with profound and multiple learning disabilities.









PLAYPEACE CARES WITH YOU What the project offers

We offer a wide menu of short breaks for parent carers/carers of children and young people with additional support needs. These are held regularly with daytime and evening options, including Flow Yoga, Sound Bath therapy, walking group, art classes, monthly afternoon teas and parent support group with complementary therapies. We also signpost parents/carers to organisations to support accessing other services that will support them in their caring role, i.e. Rights, entitlements and bespoke training needs & hold whole family parties & outings.

Main referral details

Contact Donna Quinn at donna@playpeace.org.uk

Location(s) of service provided Various locations within North Lanarkshire

Who service is available to

Available to all parent carers/carers of children & young persons with additional support needs in North Lanarkshire.

PSHG NURTURE, DEVELOP, GROW

What the project offers

Peer support groups, gentle exercise sessions, yoga and mindfulness, holistic therapies, information and advice, emotional support, social activities and outings, assistance to access appropriate services, guest speakers and information sessions.

Main referral details

Contact Anne at pshg@btconnect.com or call on 01236 766350

Location(s) of service provided

PSHG, Weaver's Cottage, 23-25 Wellwynd, Airdrie, ML6 0EZ

Who service is available to

Available to all carers in North Lanarkshire caring for people with neurological conditions, individuals with a neurological condition, and their friends and families.

PSHG SUPPORTING ALL NEUROLOGICAL CONDITIONS Charity No. SC034255

www.facebook.com/parkinsonself

ALSO

** Outreach peer support group, fortnightly, Graigmarloch, Cumbernauld, G68 0EZ**









https://www.thehavencentre.com/

THE HAVEN - CARERS SUPPORT

What the project offers

Services for carers of loves ones who have a diagnosis of life limiting illness (such as cancer, dementia and MS) in the form of one-to-one emotional support sessions, one-to-one self-management wellbeing sessions (e.g. mindfulness, relaxation techniques), complementary therapies (e.g. aromatherapy massage, reiki), group support sessions and support via therapeutic resources to provide coping strategies and useful techniques.

All services are free of charge. Arrangements can be co-ordinated, via our centre based volunteer sitter service, to enable the cared for person to accompany the carer to the centre to enable the carer to access support programmes when alternative care arrangements may be a barrier for carers.

Main referral details

There is no formal referral paper work required and carers are encouraged to self-refer.

Contact the enquiry inbox at info@thehavencentre.com or call on 0155 5811846

Location(s) of service provided

In person at:

The Haven, Flat 78, Block 2, University Wishaw General Hospital, 50 Netherton Street, Wishaw ML2 0DP

Services also provided online and via telephone.

Who service is available to

Services available to carers of people with life limiting illness across North Lanarkshire.









thehealthandwellnesshub.org.uk/

www.facebook.com/TheHealthHub

Scotland

BUTTERFLY BREAKS - RENEW, RECHARGE, RECONNECT

What the project offers

6 x 6 week 2 hour programmes per year.

A standard six-week programme will include activities such as:

- Flexible Respite Options
- Holistic Wellbeing Activities
- Peer Support & Social Connections
- Personalised Support & Signposting
- Mindfulness and Wellbeing Sessions
- Tailored Exercise Programmes
- One-to-One Emotional Support
- Carer Awareness Workshops
- Information & Signposting Services
- Peer-Led Knowledge Sharing
- Access to Expert Advice & Support Networks
- Use of Assistive Technology & Adaptations
- Partnerships with Financial Support Services

Main referral details

Contact at info@thehealthandwellnesshub.org.uk or call on 01698 262437

Location(s) of service provided

The Health and Wellness Hub, Unit 3, 58-60 Albert Street, Motherwell, ML1 1PR

Who service is available to

All unpaid carers and the individuals they care for across North Lanarkshire.









vipcommunityproject.co.uk/

TOGETHER WE CARE

What the project offers

Health and Beauty Hub, Community Gardening, Cooking Arts and Crafts, Our Space (Younger Carers), Glow Fit, Yoga, Knitting & crochet, Flower Arrangement, Music and Movement, Tai Chi

ALSO

Community Garden- Bellshill Fire station, Earn Avenue, Earn Avenue, Righead Industrial estate, Bellshill, ML3 3LW

Main referral details

Contact at

Nicole@vippasscommunityproject.co.uk or Vipass@outlook.com

Location(s) of service provided McCulloch Avenue, Uddingston, G71 6GW

Who service is available to

Unpaid carers, those being cared for, and their families.

VOLUNTEERING

volunteeringmatters.org.uk/project/ north-lanarkshire-befriending-

NORTH LANARKSHIRE BEFRIENDING PROJECT (NLBP)

What the project offers

Befriending Support to Young Carers aged 8-18 living across North Lanarkshire. Trained Volunteer Befrienders offer vital and bespoke emotional, social, and practical support, helping Young Carers reduce feelings of isolation and stress. Befriending provides a safe space for expressing emotions, fosters friendships, and encourages participation in leisure and wellbeing activities outside the caregiving role, with the support of a volunteer.

Main referral details

Contact at

hayleigh.ogilvie@volunteeringmatters.org.uk

or call on 07946 360 607

Location(s) of service provided

North Lanarkshire wide

Who service is available to

Young Carers aged 8-18









https://www.watchusgrow.org.uk/

WATCH US GROW CARERS 2025

What the project offers

- Carers Lounge weekly service for carers of adults with additional support needs, while providing support at the same time for the person being cared for.
- Watch Us Grow delivers dependable weekly daytime and evening activities for adults with additional support needs.
 Our activities all have purpose, education and building independent living skills at the heart of them. We use Horticulture, nature, Arts and Crafts, Hospitality and homes skills as our main subjects for lifelong learning.
- Watch Us Grow is fun and educational however we want service users to feel purpose, we talk about coming to work, not school or college, they are given responsibility and choices that empower them.

Courses are also delivered, aimed at carers, in partnership with Lanarkshire Carers.

Main referral details

Contact at info@watchusgrow.org.uk or call on 01236 727970

Location(s) of service provided

In person at: Watch Us Grow, Palacerigg Country Park, Cumbernauld, G67 3HU

Who service is available to

Our ASN services are open to all adults of school leaving age with no upper age limit.

Our carers courses are open to all carers of need of respite and something just for them.





https://www.ymcabellshill.org/

Y-CONNECT

What the project offers

- Themed sensory sessions for carers with children with diagnosed or un-diagnosed ASN.
- Peer support and relationship building for carers and their children.
- Parental/Carer peer support.
- Weekly sessions on Wednesdays 10-11am and 530-630pm
- Take home activities, skills and fun!

Main referral details

Contact at kerri@ymcabellshill.org or call on 07984224861

Location(s) of service provided YMCA Bellshill & Mossend based although North Lanarkshire wide.

Who service is available to Unpaid carers, those being cared for, and their children under 5.

Please do not hesitate to call our Team at NLCT on 01698 404055 or

Email: enquiries@carerstogether.org
If you require any more information.