Bristol Churches Winter Night Shelter 18/19 News #4 (March, 19)

<u>Project:</u> Since our last news update, we have moved into Phase 2 of the project. This means we have a new set of churches hosting a day a week for six weeks. The last night of the project is Sunday 31st March.

<u>Guests:</u> The guests adapted really well to the transition between phases and have now settled into the new pattern for the week. We have 12 guests on our list and the average attendance continues to be high; around 10-11 guests per night. Many guests have moved on to find work and/or accommodation. Several guests have got in touch after they left to pass on a massive thank you to the churches for their provision.

<u>Volunteers:</u> We have over 500 volunteers involved in the whole project. Everyone comes together to play their part and together it works. At the start of the project, God gave us a picture of a puzzle. The word that went with that picture was that each volunteer is like a piece of the puzzle and when it is put together you see the whole picture – the face of Jesus!

<u>Logistics:</u> There is a minibus team who give lifts to the further out venues. This has been very welcomed by some of our guests who have physical difficulty getting to the venues. There is a team of van drivers who transport bedding/mattresses between venues and a team from 'GoodGym' who arrive to help carry mattresses in the mornings. All these teams continue to be an amazing blessing to the project and play a vital role in making the project run smoothly.

<u>Prayer Updates:</u> Please sign up <u>here</u>

Finances: To date we have received just less than half of the funds needed to run the project. Many thanks for the contributions so far; it has been amazing to see God's hand at work so far. Whilst expenditure is in line with expectations we do not have the funds to meet project expenses from this point forward! Could we ask you to consider a contribution from your church funds, and/or a special offering? We trust God to provide the necessary finances to ensure that the shelter remains viable.

Contributions towards the BCWNS can be forwarded directly to the following account:

Account Name: Crisis Centre Limited

Account Number: 01408518

Sort Code: 40-14-13

Payment reference: BCWNS

Budget 2018/19 £34,324

£16,025 £18,299

0% 20% 40% 60% 80% 100%

Income Balance Needed



Crisis Centre Ministries will hold all money for the project in a restricted fund meaning that they will not be used for any other purpose.

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