# Annual



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# As an organisation we continue to deliver excellent services to those most in need against a backdrop of reduced resources and greater competition.

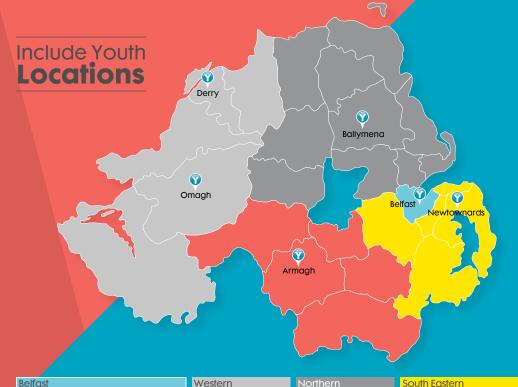
Our policy work continued across the areas of youth justice and employability. We contributed to the final Juvenile Offenders Detention Alternative in Europe (JODA) manual of good practice, developed a training video for International Juvenile Justice Observatory (IJJO) and jointly commissioned research with Business in the Community NI setting out 100% employment opportunities for young people in care.

Many young people played their part in influencing policy and practice, meeting with Professor Kirsten Sandberg, UN Taskforce Committee member, and travelling to Geneva as part of the NI delegation to give evidence to the UNCRC on Children's Rights. Our Give and Take Scheme adapted to include several new strands and across our employability programmes we supported almost 500 young people. We managed one of the pilot United Youth projects in partnership with Newstart Education Centre, YMCA Lisburn, Youth Initiatives and NI Alternatives and continue to develop a range of working relationships with voluntary and community organisations.

Viable Corporate Services, our joint social enterprise with VOYPIC, is making good progress in our search for new premises for all three organisations. We faced staff losses as a result of our policy advocacy funding coming to an end, with our team of three policy staff and a communications officer reduced to two part-time posts.

I want to thank our staff for always putting the young people first and our voluntary board members who give their time freely to ensure effective governance and support. I would also like to express my appreciation to all our funders and long may our relationships continue. Finally, thanks to the young people who continue to impress me with their strength to overcome the most difficult circumstances. They are an inspiration to all of us.

**Paddy Mooney Director** 



### **Include Youth** nead office

### Give & Take Scheme

- Start in partnership with NI Alternatives
- Outreach
- 1-2-1
- Transitional Support

**Employability Service** with START360 Aiming Higher in partnership with Business in the Community NI

Strive United Youth Pilot with Newstart Education Centre, NI Alternatives, YMCA Lisburn & Youth Initiatives

### Western

### Give & Take Scheme • Core

- Outreach
- 1-2-1
- Transitional Support

# **Employability Service**

### Southern

### Give & Take Scheme

- Core
- Outreach
- 1-2-1
- Transitional Support

### Give & Take Scheme

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- Outreach
- 1-2-1
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- 1-2-1
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Give & Take Scheme

Start in partnership

with NI Alternatives

Aiming Higher in partnership with Business in the Community NI

## **Strive United Youth Pilot** with Newstart Education

Centre, NI Alternatives, YMCA Lisburn & Youth Initiatives

# **Investment**

4%

**Management & Administration** 

**Direct Services** 

**Policy** 

**Participation** 



A regional rights-based charity for young people in or leaving care, from disadvantaged communities or whose rights are not being met to improve their employability and personal development. We influence public policy in the areas of youth justice and youth employment. All our work is underpinned by the voice of children and young people, evidence-based practice and international children's rights standards.

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# **Policy Advocacy**



Include Youth attended all the main political party conferences highlighting youth justice and youth employability issues. All of our policy responses referenced rights and international standards and included the voices of young people and staff. Practice staff were also included in meetings, briefings and events with key stakeholders wherever possible.



# Implementing Children's Rights







# **Employability Service**—BELFAST TRUST







# **Employability Service**—western trust







# Communications







# Strive United Youth Pilot







# Give & Take Scheme













The Give & Take Scheme supported 412 young people through our five strands:

Core is a 12-month regional programme for care experienced young people aged 16 to 21

**Start** is a 14-week programme for young people aged 16 to 24 in North Down, Ards and Greater Belfast in partnership with NI Alternatives

**Outreach** is a 12-week weekly programme for young people that need employability support

1-2-1 is a tailored employability programme for young people at risk of child sexual exploitation

**Transitional Support** is a short-term support service for young people who are not in education, employment or training

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