

DEPAUL

Homelessness has no place

An Introduction to our **Prevention** and **Education** Services

What we do

Depaul UK focuses on meeting the needs of young people experiencing homelessness or at risk of becoming homeless.

- We offer a variety of support and accommodation services across the UK
- We believe that prevention and early intervention is key
- Our mission is to:

“End homelessness and change the lives of those affected by it”

What is Prevention?

Depaul UK's London Youth Homeless Prevention Service is a holistic approach to homeless prevention. We offer tailored support to help young people between the ages of 11 - 25 navigate the challenges and risks of homelessness.

A young person will be able to access multiple services which provide the relevant support.

- **Education**
- **Nightstop**
- **Reconnect**
- **Housing Advice**
- **Counselling**

Education

We deliver bold and relatable workshops to whole year groups, using digital media and creative techniques to build their knowledge of youth homelessness and related issues.

We also deliver training that enables professionals to play a vital role in preventing youth homelessness by equipping them to recognise and respond to early indicators and associated risks.



“The case study was relatable, captivating and allowed abstract ideas to be made concrete.”

- Head of Year at Ark All Saints Academy

Aims

1. Have an **improved understanding** of homelessness and its causes
 2. Are better able to **access support** when they need it
3. Are better able to articulate, **understand and manage** their feelings
4. Have a **better understanding** of 'healthy' and 'unhealthy' characteristics of relationships
 5. Have **improved ability** to manage conflict
6. Have an improved ability to **keep themselves safe** in potentially harmful situations

Key Stage 3: *Choices*





Key Stage 4: *Missing*

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Key Stage 5: *Moving On*



Targeted Intervention Workshops

We recognise that some young people are more vulnerable and at increased risk of family relationship breakdown and youth homelessness. In response, we offer a series of linked targeted intervention workshops aimed at smaller groups of students and work in collaboration with school/college staff to identify students most at risk.

Focussing on:

- **emotional literacy and mental wellbeing**
- **positive and healthy relationships**
- **managing conflict**
- **making safer choices**



It really helped to be able to speak about emotions and thoughts, which I don't usually get the opportunity to do



- Year 12 Student, Burnside College

Supporting Your Organisation

We aim to build long-term partnerships so we can best support young people we work with.

Our programme also compliments the requirements of the new **RSE guidance** and **Ofsted's Common Inspection Framework**.

- **Positive and healthy relationships**, and how to judge when a relationship is unsafe
- How to talk about and **manage emotions**, and how to critically evaluate when something has a positive or negative effect on their own or others' mental health
- Enabling pupils to **recognise risks** – such as risks from criminal and sexual exploitation, domestic abuse, and gang activity

Training for Professionals

Depaul UK are experienced providers of homelessness prevention services for young people and through this training session you will develop an understanding of the role you can play in preventing homelessness amongst young people.

We want you to feel confident identifying and supporting young people effectively at the earliest opportunity.



“ I thought the session was excellent. Facilitators were really knowledgeable and engaging. I particularly liked the case studies and the practical advice about how to deal with issues of homelessness in my role. ”

- Social Work Student, Sunderland University

Training for Professionals Cont.



PART ONE

- Understanding youth homelessness – the scale, reality and characteristics of how young people experience homelessness

PART TWO

- Indicators and risks – identifying early warning signs, key risk factors, safeguarding considerations and the longer-term impact of homelessness

PART THREE

- Rights and responsibilities – overview of legislation, statutory housing and safeguarding responsibilities, understanding your role in preventing homelessness

PART FOUR

- Supporting young people – practical strategies, overcoming barriers, getting help and support, an overview of Depaul services and how to access, and other support available



Fully Funded Workshops Now Available!

Depaul UK are delighted to have funding to provide our full Education Prevention Programme Free of charge to schools and community groups across Southwark and Lewisham.

This includes our workshops for Key Stages 3, 5 and 5, as well as our Professional Training.

Please get in touch today for more information or to make a booking:

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Pricing

The programme's management and strategic development costs are covered as part of our commitment to ending youth homelessness. We ask you to cover the direct delivery cost.

| | Core Workshops (1hr)Choices (KS3)Missing (KS4)Moving On (KS5) | Extended Core Workshops (1hr)Choices (KS3)Missing (KS4)Moving On (KS5) | Core Workshops + set of 4 Targeted Workshops (5 x 1-hr workshops in total) | Professional Training (3 hours – up to 25 participants) |
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| One year group | £250 | £350 | £850 | £350 |
| Two year groups | £450 | £650 | £1,650 | £650 |
| All three year groups | £600 | £850 | £2,300 | £850 |

Reconnect

- Reconnect will use a young person-focused approach to improve communication, mutual understanding and respect between young people and their families, thereby strengthening relationships.
- When accessing Reconnect, young people and family members will receive support from an accredited Mediator.
- They will offer several individual and joint sessions to explore issues from each party's point of view.





Questions