



Argyll and Bute



£13,806

funding delivered
in 2024-25



47

young people supported
in 2024-25

The following CashBack partners aim to support young people in Argyll and Bute in this funding period (2023-26):

- Access to Industry
- Ocean Youth Trust Scotland
- Youth Scotland

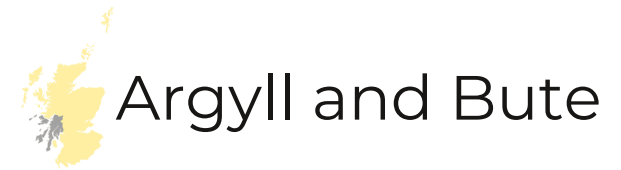
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Partners supporting young people in Argyll and Bute



Access to Industry

CashBack Passport provides skills-based employability training and one to one holistic support to young people aged 16-25 residing in HMP YOI Polmont and in communities across Scotland. Enables young people to gain skills regardless of length of sentence or nature of offence.



Ocean Youth Trust Scotland

On Board with CashBack is a programme aimed at changing the attitudes and behaviours of young people aged 12-25 most at risk of being involved in the justice system. Each young person participates in group work, outdoor education, and youth work aboard a 70ft yacht.



Youth Scotland

Generation CashBack is run with Scouts Scotland, Girlguiding Scotland, and the Boys' Brigade. The programme supports disadvantaged young people to benefit from community-based youth work through group work ('Grow') and leadership and peer mentoring ('Lead').

Case study: S's story

Access to Industry

Access to Industry's CashBack Passport project engages young people aged 16-25 in custody prior to liberation, and through community outreach in four local areas, to build on their employability skills. Participants have moved to 28 local authorities across Scotland after liberation, including Argyll and Bute.

S first connected with CashBack Passport while serving a short-term sentence at His Majesty's Young Offenders Institution Polmont.

While in Polmont, S completed training certifications with the support of the CashBack team, and prepared a CV and letter of disclosure. On release, he began working with a community caseworker.

CashBack Passport participants have access to a personal caseworker in their community. Their caseworker works with the participant to agree an action plan, and take up activities and services to get the widest range of support available.



The team supported S to get in touch with a recruitment agency, and he secured work in construction.

"The support has helped me a lot and if it wasn't for the support inside and outside the jail, I prob wouldn't be working so it's helped me a lot thank you."

On release from Polmont, S moved back into the family home. He is successfully adjusting to life in the community, and adhering to his curfew. He is grateful for the support both in prison and the community, and the staff who helped him reach a positive destination.

[Read more about S's story on our website>>](#)



Image: Ocean Youth Trust Scotland



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Case study: M's story

Ocean Youth Trust Scotland (OYTS)

OYTS's On Board with CashBack project aims to change the attitudes and behaviours of young people (12-25) most at risk of being involved in the justice system. Each young person participates in group work, outdoor education, and youth work aboard a 70ft yacht.

M (18) is from Syria and part of the Argyll and Bute refugee resettlement programme. As a New Scot, M was at risk of being isolated. When M joined, the leader felt they would benefit from teamwork, building friendships and confidence.

M enjoyed rising to the challenge of group activities and getting to know people from different cultures. During the voyage there were strong winds, but M and the crew pulled together and supported each other to continue.

"I loved spending my time with everyone on board the voyage [...] these voyages help young people from a lot of different aspects."

As M was such a fantastic part of the team, they have been invited to come back and volunteer as a Bosun.

