



North Lanarkshire



£208,255

funding delivered
in 2024-25



531

young people supported
in 2024-25

The following CashBack partners aim to support young people in North Lanarkshire in this funding period (2023-26):

- Access to Industry
- Celtic FC Foundation
- Impact Arts
- Ocean Youth Trust Scotland
- Rangers Charity Foundation
- Scottish Football Association
- Scottish Professional Football League Trust
- The National Autistic Society
- Venture Trust
- YDance (Scottish Youth Dance)
- Youth Scotland

Read on for project details and case studies. Visit the [North Lanarkshire](#) impact page on our website for a breakdown of project activities and spending by year.



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Partners supporting young people in North Lanarkshire



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.



Celtic FC Foundation

CashBack Gateway to Opportunities is a bespoke wellbeing and personal development project. It engages young people aged 16-24 from a variety of backgrounds who are at risk of (re)offending or those living in the most deprived areas to progress to positive destinations.



Impact Arts

CashBack to the Future provides young people in Scotland's most disadvantaged communities with opportunities to participate in fun, creative activities to support them to develop skills and improve their wellbeing. Includes visual arts, performance, and music-making.



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.



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Rangers Charity Foundation

CashBack - Towards New Futures is a person-centred employability and re-engagement programme for young people who recently left prison or are at risk of involvement in the justice system. Supports integration back into community and progress to positive destinations.



Scottish Football Association

CashBack Achieving Goals uses the 'Power of Football' to provide routes to learn, build confidence and skills, volunteer, and gain qualifications. Includes tailored 'Football Champions' (P5-P7) and 'Football Leaders' (S3-S5) strands in areas of social deprivation to gain skills and leadership.



Scottish Professional Football League Trust

CashBack Off the Bench is a life skills programme for young people aged 16-25 building wellbeing, employability, and confidence. Participants supported to achieve SQA qualifications, volunteering and leadership awards.



The National Autistic Society

Moving Forward+ with CashBack supports autistic children and young people, through one to one and group work, to build confidence and improve their resilience and mental health. Aimed at children not engaged in school (10-15) or not engaged in education, training, or employment (16-25).

 **Venture Trust**

CashBack Green Futures is a trauma-informed, needs-led, employability service for disadvantaged young people. Provides community and one to one support, including developmental and environmental activities. Builds core skills through outdoor adventure activities.

**YDance (Scottish Youth Dance)**

CashBack on Track uses dance to nurture the development and wellbeing of young people aged 10-25. Strands include programmes for care experienced young people, community diversion, young offenders in HMP YOI Polmont, and young parents/carers and family members.

**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').



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Case study: Martin's story

Impact Arts

Impact Arts deliver CashBack to the Future in North Lanarkshire. It provides young people (12-25) in disadvantaged communities with opportunities to participate in creative activities to develop skills and improve wellbeing.

Before joining, Martin left school and applied to college for visual arts. However, he struggled to talk to new people and was thinking of putting off starting college until next year. Martin also regularly smoked marijuana, which led to decreased motivation to engage in anything new.

In his first week, Martin found it difficult to engage with the group. Over time, he visibly relaxed and began **sharing music** with others, playing his guitar for the group.

"[The project was] a reason to get out of bed."

Martin created new friendships and the team helped him collate a portfolio of his work. Ultimately, he decided to accept the college offer.

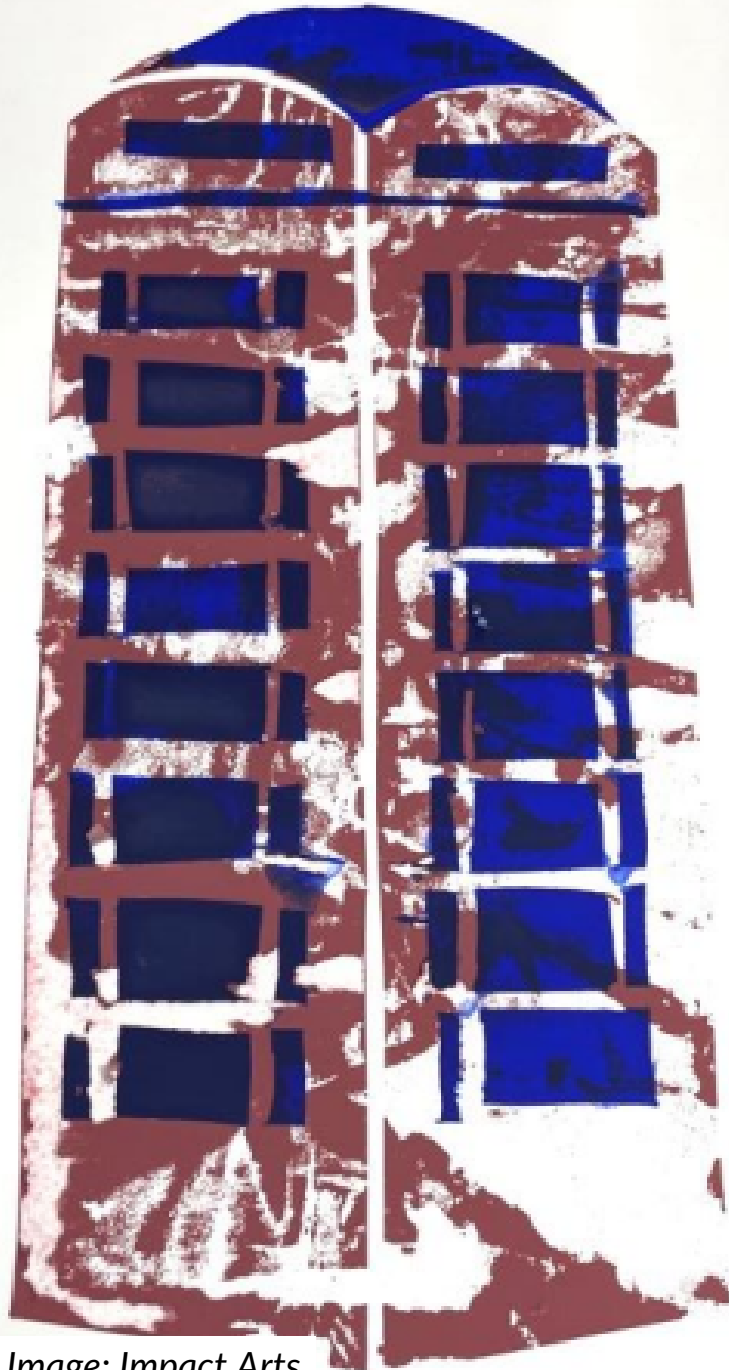


Image: Impact Arts

Case study: S's story

YDance (Scottish Youth Dance)

YDance deliver CashBack on Track in North Lanarkshire. It uses dance to nurture the development and wellbeing of young people aged 10-25, including care experienced young people, young offenders in Polmont, and young parents/carers and their family.

S (12) is a pupil in an alternative school in North Lanarkshire. Before joining, they were hesitant to try anything new and did not engage in sport.

Over time, S's confidence has grown. They participate actively, developing core skills like focus, collaboration and communication. Their improved confidence in practical subjects breaks learning barriers.

School **teachers and staff have been involved** in the sessions, and S's relationships with them have improved. School staff have commented on S's improved confidence, skills, and transferrable learning.



Image: YDance

"It has helped my confidence by getting to dance in front of other people."

S's resilience is evident, taking on new challenges, and recently achieving an award for their consistent attendance. Looking forward, S plans to explore other award and qualification opportunities.