

DIVERSION FROM JUSTICE SYSTEM



Case study 1:

Evan (Scottish Youth Dance)

Evan is 21 years old, and has been attending Scottish Youth Dance CashBack sessions in HMYOI Polmont.

After losing his mother at 11 years old, Evan engaged in petty crimes and was excluded from mainstream schools. Social services attempted to place him in secure units, prompting him to run away for over two months.

"A huge achievement was the first YDance show I performed in. I felt proud I remembered the steps and being part of a team." Through the programme, Evan earned two SCQF qualifications. **"It gives me something to focus on."**

Recently, Evan was moved to the hall for the most responsible young people in the prison, due to exemplary conduct.

Case study 2:

Liam (Rangers Charity Foundation)

"I came out of care in 2021 and my life was kind of going up and down when I was in there, so it was hard when I came out from having all the support 24/7 to then ending up on my own. [...] I was looking at going into the Army but I ended up in a bit of trouble and that resulted in me having a criminal record so that was no longer an option for me." After Liam joined the programme, he settled into the swing of things quickly. **"The programme gave me the kind of push that I think I needed to get back onto the right path."**



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