## **GIFTED**



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In 2019 we redistributed 1,109,615 products to 356,594 vulnerable people across the UK - this saved businesses a combined 6,853.6 tonnes of CO2e emissions from landfill!

## **Current sessions**

6th Jan -2<sup>nd</sup> March **Next Steps** at Recovery College, 8 weeks

8<sup>th</sup> Jan -4<sup>th</sup> March **TES:** Training in Employability Skills, 16

weeks

8<sup>th</sup> Jan -4<sup>th</sup> March Homefield College Basic Skills, 8 weeks

Weekly volunteering drop-ins

Packing Lounge at Giving World, Tuesday Packing Saloon at Bradgate MH Unit, Thursday



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We wish all our readers the very best for 2020 and look forward to continuing to work with you throughout the year and beyond

We ended 2019 with a celebratory feel by putting up Christmas decorations in the skills area, playing games, exchanging wishes and eating more treats than usual. Those of you in sessions in the run up to Christmas will remember working extra hard to exceed our target of getting 30,000 toys to children so they had something to open on Christmas Day. Thank you for your contribution in achieving this.

'Giving World has been able to help me by giving clothes and presents each year for my children. I want to thank Giving World as without them I would have struggled to make Christmas special for each of my kids,' says a single mum in Leicester.

## Congratulations.....

...to Minal, Ewan & Berlamie on successfully completing their 8 week Basic Skills course in December 2019. Here are Minal (l) and Ewan (r) accepting their certificates







## What we've been doing in January....

At the Packing Lounge we've been busy assembling bird boxes. The pieces arrived at Giving World and we had to sort the parts and build the boxes. Participants have been honing their DIY and team building skills by working together to assemble them before being posted on our site.

In other sessions we've been counting and packing soaps, toothbrushes, CD cases, pencils and making up patient care packs



Our induction day for Packing Lounge is the first Tuesday of each month. Our next date is 4<sup>th</sup> February. If you are interested in these volunteering sessions please contact:

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Date for your diary.....half-term week 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> February 2020



......to Daniel Moorhouse who is a student at De Montfort University studying for his Mental Health Nursing degree. Daniel has joined the GIFTED team for his first placement and will be with us for 7 weeks until 21st February.

Daniel has been really busy since joining Giving World in January getting to know Giving World, GIFTED and meeting participants in sessions. Here is a photo of Daniel getting stuck in at Packing Lounge, supporting a participant 1:1 with the assembly of a bird box

