

A watercolor illustration of a family of four—two adults and two children—holding hands in a circle. The scene is set within a large, circular, glowing yellow and orange light source, possibly a sun or moon, against a background of warm, textured reds and oranges. The style is soft and painterly.

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INFO BUZZ offers therapeutic and practical support for families and young people with complex needs.

OUR VISION is for families and young people to have the strength to cope with life's challenges and the ability to change their future.

We work towards achieving this vision by delivering services in three areas:

- Mental Health
- School & Community
- Criminal Justice

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Infobuzz supports **FAMILIES & YOUNG PEOPLE** to address their mental and emotional needs through a range of specialist, counselling and therapeutic services.

Transition Project

Funded by The Lloyds Bank Foundation.

Providing psychological and practical support for 16-19 year olds who are experiencing issues around mental and emotional wellbeing.

“

I was so lonely but Infobuzz has helped me feel like I belong.

”

Referrals can be made through the Infobuzz website



A person is seen from behind, standing with their arms outstretched in a large, colorful, swirling tunnel. The tunnel is composed of concentric, overlapping bands of color, including shades of purple, blue, red, and yellow, creating a sense of depth and movement. The person is positioned in the center of the tunnel, looking towards the light at the end.

COMMISION OUR SERVICES

Counselling

1 in 4 of the population and 1 in 10 children and young people will experience mental health difficulties. Infobuzz are able to provide a counselling service that helps people acquire the resilience and skills to deal with life's challenges.

Individuals are offered an initial set of six sessions, which can be delivered at school/college, or in our own counselling rooms.

For more infomation:



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SCHOOL & COMMUNITY SERVICES

Infobuzz works with **SCHOOL & COMMUNITY GROUPS** to provide young people with life skills to support a positive future.

Training For Volunteers & Professionals

The Infobuzz team includes professionals from a wide range of backgrounds and with our partner charity Young Gloucestershire, we provide a comprehensive calendar of training events. Workshops include; child sexual exploitation, knife crime and how to use Gloucestershire's substance misuse screening tool.

*For bookings visit
the Infobuzz website*



COMMISSION OUR SERVICES

Work in Schools

Infobuzz works with schools, alternative provisions and colleges. We can provide bespoke packages of support and life skills sessions which sensitively address the most challenging issues faced by young people.

Infobuzz is also able to provide one-to-one and group support for young people most at risk of exclusion or those preparing to re-enter mainstream education.

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“

In school I feel like a fish out of water – I get fed up with people and lose my temper. It is different with Infobuzz. I'm proud of the work I have done.

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CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES

Infobuzz provides innovative intervention work for **OFFENDERS & THEIR FAMILIES** to break the cycle of crime.

Hidden Victims of Crime Project

Funded by Children in Need and The Police Crime Commissioner.

Providing families with practical support to cope with the impact of a family member going to prison. The project provides advice and guidance, counselling, mediation and advocacy.

Great Expectations

Funded by The Police Crime Commissioner.

Working closely with the police, prison service and ex-offenders to offer workshops, mentoring and life changing experiences for individuals and groups at risk of offending.

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COMMISSION OUR SERVICES

Prison Work

Our therapeutic and enrichment sessions for prisoners are designed to offer personal development whilst providing the opportunity to deal with difficult emotions. We have been successfully delivering in Eastwood Park Prison for over 15 years, funded by Avon & Wiltshire NHS and National Health England.

Infobuzz are now pleased to be able to offer this service to other institutions.

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“

My family is stronger now and I know we will get through this together

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THANK YOU TO OUR FUNDERS



Abbeyview School

Avon & Wiltshire NHS

Awards for All

BBC Children in Need

Break Charity

Chosen Hill School

Clothworkers' Foundation

Dulverton Trust

George Cadbury Foundation

Gloucester City Council

Gloucester and Forest Alternative Provision Schools

Gloucestershire Community Foundation

Gloucestershire County Council

Lloyds Bank Foundation

National Health England

NHS Commissioning

Peter Lang Trust

Sovereign Southwest Foundation

The Police and Crime Commissioner for Gloucestershire

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HOW YOU CAN HELP

£50

Will provide **bus fare** for a child to visit their parent in prison.

£100

Will provide craft resources to deliver a **therapeutic arts session** in prison.

£500

Will provide **drug and alcohol awareness sessions** in a school.

£1,000

Will provide a series of **counselling sessions** for a young person.

£3,000

Will fund a six week **crime reduction programme** for 12 young people.

£25,000

Will fund a **hidden victims support worker** for a year.

NEW PARTNERSHIPS

In 2016 **Infobuzz** joined forces with local charity **Young Gloucestershire**. Whilst the charities will remain independent, the partnership has enabled both parties to share core costs whilst maintaining excellent standards of service delivery.

Young Gloucestershire is a county-wide charity that supports disadvantaged young people, who are facing challenges in their lives. Their vision is for young people to have the confidence, motivation and skills to improve their lives.

www.youngglos.org.uk

FINANCES 2016-17

Income

£453,837

From

33% Donations
& Grants

66% Charitable
activities

1% Investments
& other

Expenditure

£410,806

98% Spent on charitable activities

Surplus

£43,031

A WORD FROM OUR CHAIR

2016 has been a year of change and opportunity. The challenging financial climate has led us to find new and creative ways of delivering our services with less income. Joining with Young Gloucestershire has enabled us to reduce costs and refocus resources where they are needed most.

We have restructured and reviewed our services and launched our new brand, which better reflects the developing charity. With a clear vision and mission in mind, we have moved into 2017 with optimism. We plan to continue building a strong and sustainable charity that offers relevant and unique support for struggling families in Gloucestershire.

Hugh Gladman.

“They helped me with everything from sorting out my debts to getting my son help at school, they’ve been brilliant.”

TRUSTEES

Jamie Eykyn, Chairman (*resigned January 2017*)

Hugh Gladman, Chairman (*appointed January 2017*)

Robin Bevan (*appointed January 2017*)

Jennie Glegg (*resigned January 2017*)

Jonathan Harvie (*appointed January 2017*)

The Rev Canon Michael Irving LVO DL (*resigned
January 2017*)

Rupert Lane (*resigned January 2017*)

Martin Moule (*appointed January 2017*)

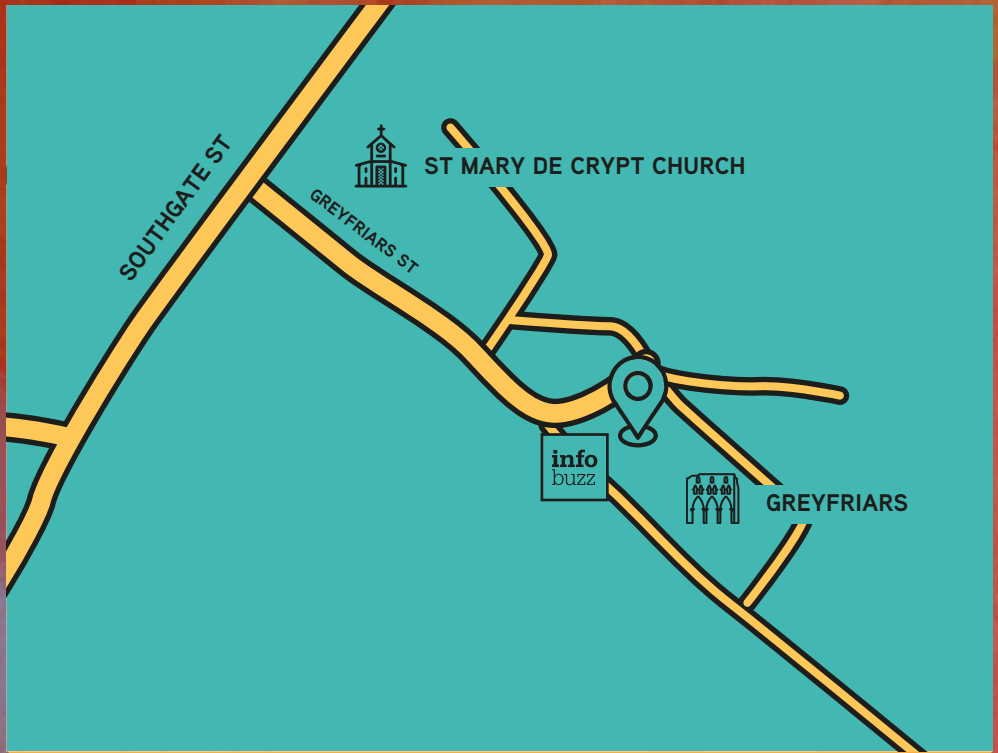
Dr Isabel Oliver (*resigned January 2017*)

Dave Pearce

John Reilly (*appointed January 2017*)

Mark Sheridan (*appointed January 2017*)

Chief Executive Officer **Tracy Clark**



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