NEWSLETTER

Monthly Newsletter

October 2026









Throughout the month of October we've got a lot of highlights to share in our monthly newsletter.

We never do things by halves!

Another hugely busy month for our team, supporting the mission of #TogetherWeAreStrong

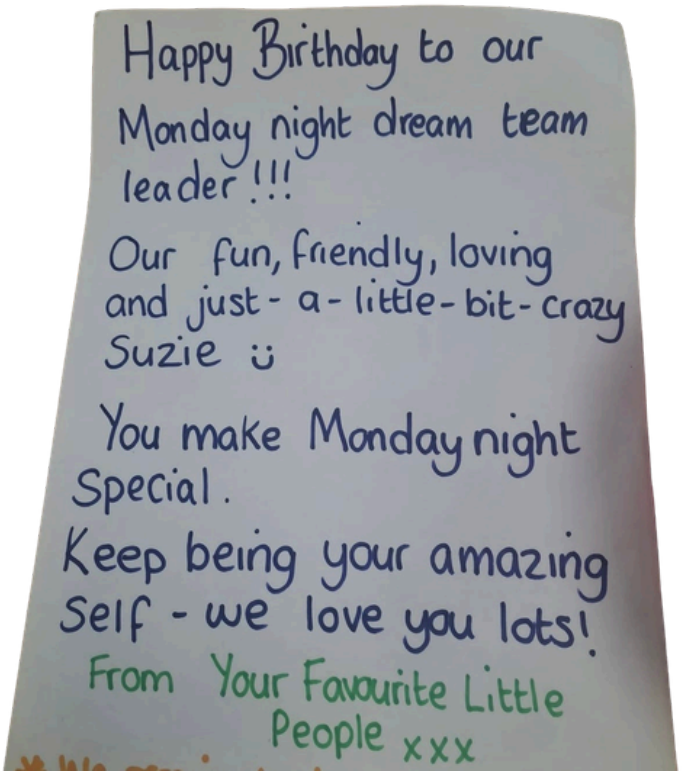
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We took on a new member of the team, Kai, our new youth worker, ensuring our committment to our young people and children are kept the upmost importance through our work at An Hour For Others.

We have some great highlights of the month to share with you!

Keep scrolling to find out more!

HIGHLIGHTS



We celebrated Suzie's birthday at the beginning of the month, Suzie is our Beneficiaries Co-Ordinator and she does an incredible job.

She even worked on her birthday!

Suzie was working all day supporting our families and referrals then spent the evening with our children for health and wellbeing.
They wrote her a lovely birthday letter.

Happy Birthday Suzie!



Tuebrook Hub got a new sign, after the sun and weather completely destroyed our previous one, Ged Maloney and his team at Impression Health Group kindly supported us to get a new sign and it looks amazing! We're located right on Tuebrook roudnabout so it was crucial we had a brilliant sign!

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Our 6-9 year olds had a fun evening playing Pie Face, some great team building skills and communication skills. We also had a new child start with us, the other children welcomed them with open arms and shared their best memories of An Hour For Others and what the charity means to them.

We love to see children coming together and working as a team, playing games to enhance friendships.





We raffled our first signed shirt of the year in our Spot The Ball Football Game!

We definitely will be doing something like this every month alongside our monthly lottery, the outpour of support for this was outstanding.

£10 per team to play, get in touch with us to secure your team!

Email oliver@anhourforothers.co.uk

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With our new team member, Oliver, we put some strucutre back into our monthly lottery and successfully completed his first month of control.

Congratulations to Alison Ainscough who won £1,000 FIRST PRIZE and Heather Forshaw coming away with £250 as second prize.

If your not in it, you can't win it!

Get in touch to secure your number!

We're looking forward to Octobers lottery, being drawn by the one and only John May!



We also launched our latest campaign of raffle prizes for our Gatsby Gala, taking place in December!

If your an individual or business that has some leftover stock, gift cards or anything else then get in touch to donate towards our raffle!

We're down to a matter of weeks until our Gatsby Gala so if you haven't secured your ticket, now is your FINAL chance!

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Our fantastic trustee, Joe Gervin, completed the TCS Amsterdam marathon in honour of An Hour For Others. We are extremely grateful for Joe's continued support to the charity and we an honoued to have been the charity he chose to raise funds for.
Joe was 23 seconds away from his sub 3 hours, but we are so unbelieveably proud of his achievement! Go Joe!



Through the power of Acts of Kindness, we were able o send Louey and his dad to one of the Liverpool games. Little Louey is due to have a huge leg operation which means he will be using a wheelchair for an extended amount of time, so we couldn't think of anyone better to give this opportunity to. We are wishing you the best for your recvoery Louey!
Thank you to Fergal and John Gibbons for this fantastic Act of Kindness, in a crazy wordl that can seem dark, these acts spread so much love and light.

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The team had a site visit to the Crowne Plaza ahead of our Gatsby Gala in just a matter of weeks time!

It's all getting real and exciting now, not long to go, there's still time to secure your ticket.

Pictured: Oliver, Gill, Steve Cocky, Kevin & Shauna.

Our 13-16 year olds, part of our ongoing 5 week Daniel Halliday program, the session was all around creativity. It might just look as simple as children sat around the table drawing but within this there's so many benefits.



Confidence, self-esteem, self-expression, social connection, emotional wellbeing, problem-solving and independence and belonging.

These sessions also provide a natural opportunity for us youth workers to build positivie relationships through conversations with the kids.

All of our work within the community is going towards the same mission of everybody has something to give, whether that be an hour of your time or an hour of your skill.

Our young people deserve the best, in this scary world there's so much that can set them apart, but An Hour For Others keeps it together, for our children.

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Gill and Oliver attened the Do Business Better Conference at Blackburne House, supported by Merseyside Woman of the Year Awards, Ellie Kerr.

Gill and Oliver learnt a lot at this conference, from financnes to wills, from AI to technology, there was a lot to take away from such a brilliant day.

It just proves what can be done when the right people are in the right room.

Our co-founder Gill also attended the Merseyside Independent Business Awards with the ladies from Merseyside Woman of the Year Awards, she met colleagues, like Gill, were all winners at the MWOTY awards back in June of 2026.

It was great for Gill to be out networking and being recognised for the amazing hardwork that she puts towards An Hour For Others.



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We launched our 'Flavours of the Neighbourhood' Project.

Securing funding from Knowsley Council Community Fund we we're able to launch the latest project at An Hour for Others in Huyton Village.

We understand and recognise that the community has so many varied cultures and there is nothing better than good food to bring us together. The project will bring the community together every Friday afternoon starting the 6th November, cooking different recipes each week, providing all ingredients and participants can take whatever they make home to feed their family for the weekend!



Gill, Kev, James and Anthony attended the RaiseUp Event at Boxpark Liverpool, with increible guests such as Still Ryan, Meatball Molly, Fatima Whitbread and Tim Campbell, they heard stories from the speakers who have faced trauma, but have not allowed it to stand in their way. It was extremely beneficial for our young people to hear these stories after facing their own challenges. #TogetherWeAreStrong

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Team AHFO are FINALISTS at Knowsley Business Awards.

We are absolutely delighted to be a finalist for the Making a Difference Award at the Knowsley Business Awards, set to take place in November.

We are extremely grateful to be recognised for the work we do within the community. We've been working with the Liverpool City Region for 12 years, 3 years within Knowsley, although supporting Knowsley families for a lot longer!

An Hour For Others started just as one simple idea. We all have something to give whether that be an individual or a business. Kindness does not cost anything. Unity brings us all together to make our world a better place.
In Knowsley, Huyton Village we have two charity shops on the high street, these shops not only provide amazing affordable clothing and furniture, but they ultimately fund our community hubs above the shops!
Above our Furniture Shop we have our community hub which brings together all walks of life, whether that be attending our childrens youth nights or our morning brekkie and brew clubs. It's the people supporting the people that make this happen.

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An Hour For Others Gatsby Gala 2026

It isn't long until our next big fundraiser, our infamous Gatsby Gala!

If you haveb't secured your ticket yet, why not? It's the most magical time of the year and the best night of the year!

We will be holding our Gatsby Gala on Saturday 5th December 2026 at The Crowne Plaza, Liverpool.

Head on over to our website to secure your tickets or email Gill g.watkins@anhourforothers.co.uk

www.anhourforothers.co.uk/events/gala

Sponsorship Opportunities

We also have a variety of sponsorship opportunities available for our Gatsby Gala, if you'd like to find out more please email g.watkins@anhourforothers.co.uk

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RECAP

Throughout the year our team work extremely hard to ensure no child is left out, every child is provided for and the services we offer are free and to the benefit of the community.

Here's a recap of some statistics, showcasing the work at An Hour For Others:

Community Delivery Hours: 28,664

Family Financial Savings: £648,400

Social Value: £10,010,600

Workforce Hours: 26,212

Average People Supported: 579 per week.

Community Sessions Provided*: 27,292

*sessions delivered of welbeing, financial support, clothing, food and collaboration with business and community.

An Hour For Others is so much more than you think, behind closed doors the work expands to community makeovers, bedroom refurbishments, corporate partnerships and list continues...

If your a community group needing a helping hand or a business that need to satisfy your corporate social responsibility, we offer bespoke agreements to ensure needs are met and nobody is left out.

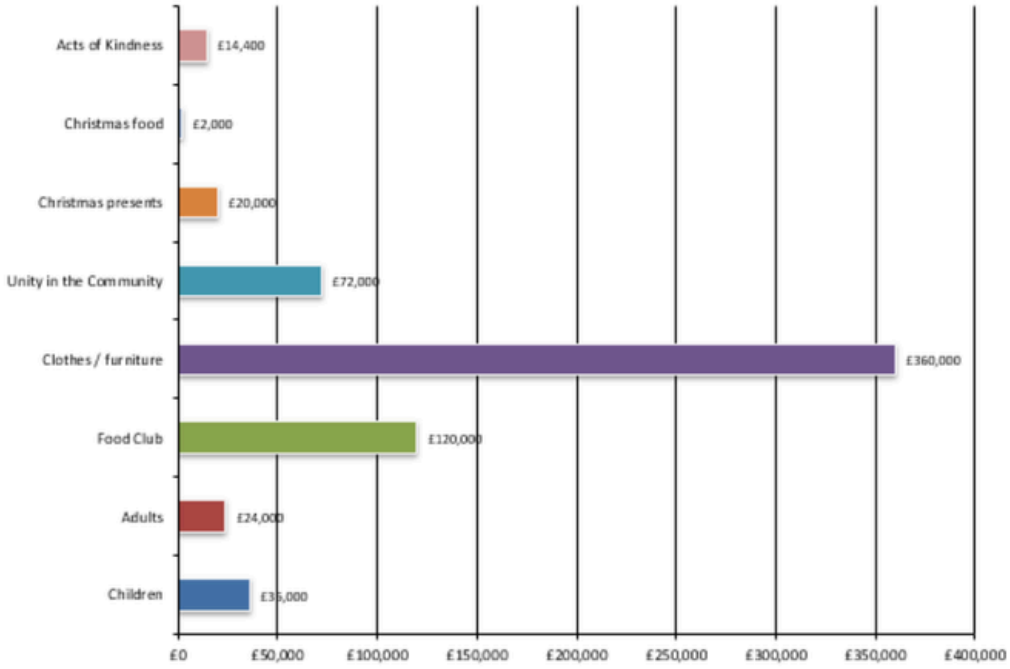
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Estimated financial savings for families

Workbook estimates by initiative — £



Total estimated savings

£648,400

Largest modelled contributions:

- **Clothes / furniture: £360,000**
- **Food Club: £120,000**
- **Children: £36,000**

Validate unit values and whether figures represent annual, weekly or one-off savings.

YEAR RECAP

JANUARY 2026 - SEPTEMBER 2026

Our Co-Founder Gillian Watkins WINS Merseyside Woman Community Leader of the Year!

Back in June 2026 we were delighted to see our very own Gillian Watkins receive an award at the 2026 Merseyside Women of the Year Awards. The event was superb, held at the Crowne Plaza Liverpool with hundreds of amazing women all in one room, with each being nominated for various awards and all doing their own to make our city a greater place.

Gill was shortlisted for the Main Women of the Year, however WON ‘Community Leader’, which was incredibly deserved for the effort she has put towards An Hour For Others over the last 12 years, improving the lives of so many within our community.

Gill’s own story is powerful and will inspire many young women everywhere, believing there is always a light at the end of the tunnel no matter how dark it seems, this award is well deserved for Gill. We are incredibly proud!



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PARTNER



An Hour For Others started with one person and a paintbrush, brightening up a community room in West Everton. Today, we're a Liverpool-based charity connecting hundreds of volunteers — tradespeople, professionals, and everyday people — with individuals and community groups across the city who need help they couldn't otherwise access or afford.

Without these kind partnerships, we wouldn't be where we are today. We have companies of all sizes and across all sectors giving support in so many different ways, and we'd love your company to get involved. Sign up as a business partner of AHFO, and help the communities you operate in one or more ways as listed below.

If your interested in becoming a charity business partner, please get in touch.

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Throughout our QVC Partnership we have had 18 volunteers from QVC in Knowsley supporting our work within the charity shops. With each volunteer bringing their own array of skills and experience, it's been fantastic to learn more about them. Their volunteering in turn supports the work we do within the community, which we are always grateful for any support we can get.

We also attended 'Together for a Good Day' at QVC which is their volunteer programme which they actively encourage their teams to use. We spoke with lots of their teams throughout the day and lots signed up for some volunteering within the coming weeks.

QVC hosted a 'Donation Day' which one of our collection vans parked up on their staff car park and we were amazed by the amount of donations we received from their staff for our charity shops.

The Flooring Contractors provide us access to their vans 3 days a week to support our collections, saving us hundreds of pounds each month.

VOLUNTEERS

An Hour For Others are always on the look for volunteers, the work we do within the community is delivered by the donation of time by people, so we are always needing an extra pair of hands.

Here's some things our volunteers have said about their time with us:

Steve said: "This particular charity that myself and my friends support provides vital services to the local community that money can't buy! Friendships that last a lifetime, confidence building for the youngsters, a place to belong, a place to get help when needed. This is a totally unique charity run by very caring individuals who absolutely get the purpose of living in a community and serving others."

Emma said: "I feel extremely lucky to be part of AHFO - to have such a supportive community locally is amazing. AHFO offers a structure to our entire week, Coffee morning of a Monday is a great positive way to start the week with friends. Children's clubs also run through the week which gives my children a sense of belonging and something to enjoy. The food club of a Friday helps take the pressure of supermarket shopping for the weekend and financially is brilliant."





If volunteering is something that you're interested in, please get in touch with Lorraine at l.fay@anhourforothers.co.uk

TIMETABLE

AHFO HUYTON WEEKLY TIMETABLE

AHFO Huyton Village - 1 Sherborne Square L36 9UR

Book on to the sessions at www.anhourforothers.co.uk or call 0151 245 8254

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
10am-12pm Knowsley Face Chatty cafe	10am-12pm Ladies That Empowerment Group-Nov	10am-12pm Stay & Play 0-3yrs	9.30am-12pm Sewing Group	10am-12pm Free Brekkie & Brew
1pm-3pm Free Family Tree workshop	12pm-2pm Free Coffee afternoon	1pm-3pm Mens Group	11am-2pm Advice Open day Livv housing Free mobile data	
4pm-6.30pm Youthclub night 13-16yr olds	4pm-6.00pm 6-9yr olds Group		4pm-6.30pm 10-12yr olds Group	

To book onto a session please visit our website!

TIMETABLE

AHFO TUEBROOK WEEKLY TIMETABLE

AHFO 657 - 659 West Derby Rd Liverpool L13 8AG

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
10am-12pm Free Coffee Morning	10am-12pm Stay & Play 0-3yrs	10am-12pm Mens Group	10am-2pm Wellbeing Activities	10am-12pm Free Brekkie & Brew
1pm-3pm Bereavement support Group			1pm-2.30pm Menopause support Group	1pm-4pm Food Club
4pm-6pm 6-9yr olds Group	4pm-6.30pm 10-12yr olds Group	4pm-6.30pm Kids Drama Group	4pm-6.30pm 13-16yr olds Group	

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