

MEMBER'S WEBSITE ENTRY FORM

Districts covered Fenland

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(Fenland Area Community Enterprise Trust)

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Description of Services

FACET provides a range of accredited and vocational training opportunities for adults aged 16+ with learning and physical disabilities, sensory impairment, mental health problems, head injury victims, etc. FACET is an approved centre for the delivery of 'Skills for Work' and 'Life Skills' training with City and Guilds NPTC, and we are the only social training enterprise in Cambridge to have achieved this status. We employ our own qualified staff, as well as our own Assessors and Internal verifiers. We employ a total of 25 trained, dedicated and qualified staff.

Our training in 'Skills for Work' has been specifically tailored to the needs of local employers, and is available in Retail, Catering, Dining Area Service, Information Technology, Horticulture and Woodwork. Training in 'Life Skills' helps our students to progress towards either independent or supported living, and our staff will provide dedicated support to enable our students to achieve their aims in all these areas. We are determined that people with learning and other disabilities living in the Fenland area of Cambridgeshire will have the same access to opportunity in relation to learning and work as other members of the local community. Literacy and numeracy skills are embedded in all programme areas.

Our programmes

- Skills2Employ
 FACET Homes and Gardens (our charity shop)
 FACET Garden Centre and Nursery
 FACET Woodworkers
 FACET Catering and Hospitality
 Job Clubs, work experience internal and external to FACET

- Towards Independence
 Independent living skills and Life Skills
 Community projects such as shopping, trips and visits, healthy walks, nature trails, producing a magazine, etc

- Sport-Ability
 Carpet Bowls, Golf and Football (we have our own 5 – a – side football pitch and are about to join the Cambridgeshire league)
 Sports Days and Competitions
 Use of gym, low impact exercise, swimming etc
 NB: We have our own sports coaches, especially trained to work in the field of sports for disabled people

- The Arts Train
 We have a really exciting programme on offer through which our students can exhibit and sell the items they make. We offer a range of art and craft programmes using different textures and textiles, including card and jewellery making, mosaics, memory books, modelling, tapestries etc.

- Active Citizenship
 Funding from Neighbourhood Learning in Deprived Communities has enabled us to establish this exciting programme, through which our students can take part in a whole range of activities to benefit the local community, and hence help our students play a very active role in improving the communities in which they live. For example, they take part in local drama productions, a variety of events to help local good causes, visit care homes for the elderly and provide afternoon tea etc.

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- Sensory Room

We are in the process of setting up a really well equipped Sensory Room, which will be available for use by those with more profound needs from September 2009. This has been made possible by grants totalling £12,000 from charitable funders and a local business.

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