

## Introduction

This report covers the period April 2009 to March 2010. SOVA took over the running of the Ealing Children and Young People's Mentoring Scheme in 1999, following a successful bid for funding to the Youth Justice Board in partnership with Ealing Social Services and the Ealing Youth Offending Team. The project's mission is to involve volunteers from the local community to assist young people in care or leaving care, young people at risk, young offenders and young people at risk of offending.

From April 05, SOVA Ealing received funding from the Youth Offending Team to participate in the RAP (Resettlement and Aftercare Provision).

## Contracts and Funders

Ealing Children's Fund – Ealing Social Service YOS (Youth Offending Service)

SOVA Ealing RAP - Ealing YOS

Ealing Community Safety - Safer Ealing Partnership (Ealing Community)

## Objectives and Targets

The targets for 2009-10 were;

<b>Number of Volunteers attached to the project at any time</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>Number of Mentoring Matches</b>	<b>95</b>
<b>Number of young people completing practical skills</b>	<b>40</b>

## Publicity & Promotion.

As the national body for mentoring and befriending, the MBF are keen to recognize and communicate the positive contribution that mentoring and befriending makes to peoples lives. They were extremely fortunate to be able to secure an event at No. 10 Downing Street on the 10<sup>th</sup> November 2009 hosted by Sarah Brown. SOVA Ealing has worked closely with MBF for over three years and out of 500 projects, were one of 30 chosen to represent the MBF at this event.

SOVA Ealing were also represented in 'Around Ealing' a free magazine for Ealing residents highlighting a climbing expedition to the Lake District in 2008.

## Volunteers and Training

During the course of the year we held five successful training programmes. This year we made a concerted drive to recruit more male volunteers which was successful and had an impact on the speed of matching referrals.

As usual the training was well received with volunteers increasingly finding the volunteer and young person input the most rewarding segment. Volunteer training is now an established joint initiative with SOVA Camden which not only gives us a free training room but also a large pool of volunteers being trained at one time thus saving time and resources.

Our volunteers have again been involved in activities outside of mentoring. Volunteers have helped to facilitate activities run by the Children's Fund and have continued to offer feedback at the Children's Support Panel. We have also had volunteers involved in the Young London project facilitating group sessions with young people.

## Report for RAP

This has been our third year working with the Ealing YOS's RAP initiative, working with young offenders with substance misuse and mental health problems.

Simone Hill has prepared the following report;

Between April 2009 - 2010 SOVA Ealing received 46 referrals 22 of which were matched successfully.

### Annual Review – Complete Breakdown - April 09 – April 10

Qrt	Received	YP Referred	M/ F	D.O.B	Eth	Volunteer Matched	D.O.B	Et h
1 <sup>st</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> April	C W	F	13/04/94	B1	Natalie Williams	04/12/83	B1
1 <sup>st</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup> April	C S	F	08/02/95	M1	Nicolette Dunn	20/05/74	B1
1 <sup>st</sup>	Mar 09	S R	F	23/10/91	W1	Sally Dilaimi	22/04/86	A9
1 <sup>st</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup> May	A K	M	03/07/97	W2	Joanne Powlett	26/03/87	B1
1 <sup>st</sup>	Nov	G M	F	12/08/93	W1	Amrita	08/07/88	A1
1 <sup>st</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> June	S S	M	28/05/93	A1	Not Interested		
1 <sup>st</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup> June	D P	M	13/12/92	W1	Requests man		
1 <sup>st</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup> June	G H	M	04/09/93	B9	In custody!		

1 <sup>st</sup>	23 <sup>rd</sup> June	J M	M	14/07/94	B9	Does not want Mentor		
1 <sup>st</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> July	G D	F	15/09/93	W1	Mariatu Kargbo	04/12/83	B2
1 <sup>st</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup> July	C	F	17/10/93	B1	Twaniqueca Rhule		B1
2 <sup>nd</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup> August	A D	M	03/03/95	W1	Syed Arif	10/04/86	NS
2 <sup>nd</sup>	14 <sup>th</sup> Aug	C W	F			Debra Colquhoun	21/10/67	B1
2 <sup>nd</sup>	25 <sup>th</sup> Aug	F A	M	03/03/92	NS	No Interest		
2 <sup>nd</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup> Sept	N D	M	10/07/92	B9	Michael Elkin	05/01/88	M 9
2 <sup>nd</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup> Sept	C J	M	12/11/92	B1	Does not want Mentor		
2 <sup>nd</sup>	14 <sup>th</sup> Sept	C W	M	07/03/96	W1	Michael Elkin	05/01/88	M 9
2 <sup>nd</sup>	22 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	A S	F	25/06/94	B1	Yasmin Grant	29/03/64	B1
2 <sup>nd</sup>	24 <sup>th</sup> Sept	J G	M	28/07/92	W9	Polish Speaking Vol!		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup> Oct	K W	M	13/07/93	B1	Kasandra Cadogan	11/01/89	B1
3 <sup>rd</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup> Oct	M B	M	03/07/92	A1	Jaspreet Soor	28/04/89	A1
3 <sup>rd</sup>	14 <sup>th</sup> Oct	D B	M	19/10/94	M1	No Response		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	15 <sup>th</sup> Oct	G K	F	24/09/95	B2	Sally Dilaimi	22/04/86	A9
3 <sup>rd</sup>	20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	K I	M	01/10/92	B2	Only just met		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	20 <sup>th</sup> Nov	M O	M	10/05/92	B2	No Response		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	20 <sup>th</sup> Nov	F N	M	08/09/93	B1	No Response		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	21 <sup>st</sup> Nov	C S	F	08/02/95	M1	Danielle Grant	23/02/79	M 1
3 <sup>rd</sup>	24 <sup>th</sup> Nov	M S	M	04/11/91	B1	Eric Herman-Kporha	25/04/65	B2
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Dec	J C	M	15/05/93	B1	Leo Gerald	01/09/76	B1
4 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup> Jan	R A	M	14/10/93	A2			
4 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup> Jan	E C	M	31/05/94	W1	Syed Arif	10/04/86	NS
4 <sup>th</sup>	15 <sup>th</sup> Jan	S C	M	24/1/93	W2	No Interest		
4 <sup>th</sup>	21 <sup>st</sup> Jan	W I	F	19/12/91	B9	Moved to Probation		
4 <sup>th</sup>	22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	A H	M	22/08/94	W1	Placed in Croydon		
4 <sup>th</sup>	23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	C A	M	12/02/10	B9	Louise Mason	31/07/76	M 1
4 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup> March	K G	M	22/07/95	B9	Not yet met		
4 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup> March	M A	M	26/10/94	A9	Daniel Bahta	01/05/86	B2
4 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup> Mar	S B	M	14/07/94	W2	Iain Sterling	06/11/78	W 1
4 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup> Mar	T R	M	06/11/92	B1	Not yet met		
4 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup> Mar	S J	M	16/11/92	M1	Not yet met		
4 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup> Mar	J N	M	14/10/92	B1	David	12/07/77	B1
4 <sup>th</sup>	15 <sup>th</sup> Mar	T F	M	16/10/93	B1	Not yet met		
4 <sup>th</sup>	16 <sup>th</sup> Mar	C S	F	08/02/95	M1	Natalie Williams	04/12/83	B1
4 <sup>th</sup>	17 <sup>th</sup> Mar	D M	M	13/07/92	NS	Meeting this morning		
4 <sup>th</sup>	17 <sup>th</sup> Mar	J V	M	Not Supp	NS	Not yet met		
4 <sup>th</sup>	17 <sup>th</sup> Mar	M H	M	15/07/93	NS	Not yet met		

The head of the YOT asked for us to enquire from each young person whether they had a specific requirements regarding their potential mentor such as age, sex, ethnicity and religion.

Here is the following report;

47 Referrals made in total

13 made no specific request

7 New referrals – Not yet met

7 No Interest – Met and they had no interest in having mentor

5 Requested a female – 5 successfully matched 2 Requested a man

4 Requested someone young – 4 successfully matched

2 Requested a male – 1 successfully matched

1 Request by ethnicity – 1 successfully matched

2 Referred elsewhere – Corydon YOS and one to probation

1 In custody – Will meet upon release

5 Other\* - see below

The other\* requests were –

A polish speaking mentor – Could not facilitate

Someone who could help with black history – Successfully matched

Help with temper – Successfully matched

Help with housing/immigration – Match pending

Someone into bikes – successfully matched

33 possible matches in total 25 matches made

17 Specific Requests made 14 of those were successfully matched

#### Ethnicity Code breakdown

W1 – White British  
(Welsh/Scottish/English/N.Irish)

W2 - Irish

W9 – Any other white background

A1 - Indian

A2 - Pakistani

A3 - Bangladeshi

A9 – Any other Asian background

M1 – White/Black  
Caribbean

M2 – White/Black  
African

M3 – White and Asian

M9 – Any other mixed  
background

B1 – Caribbean

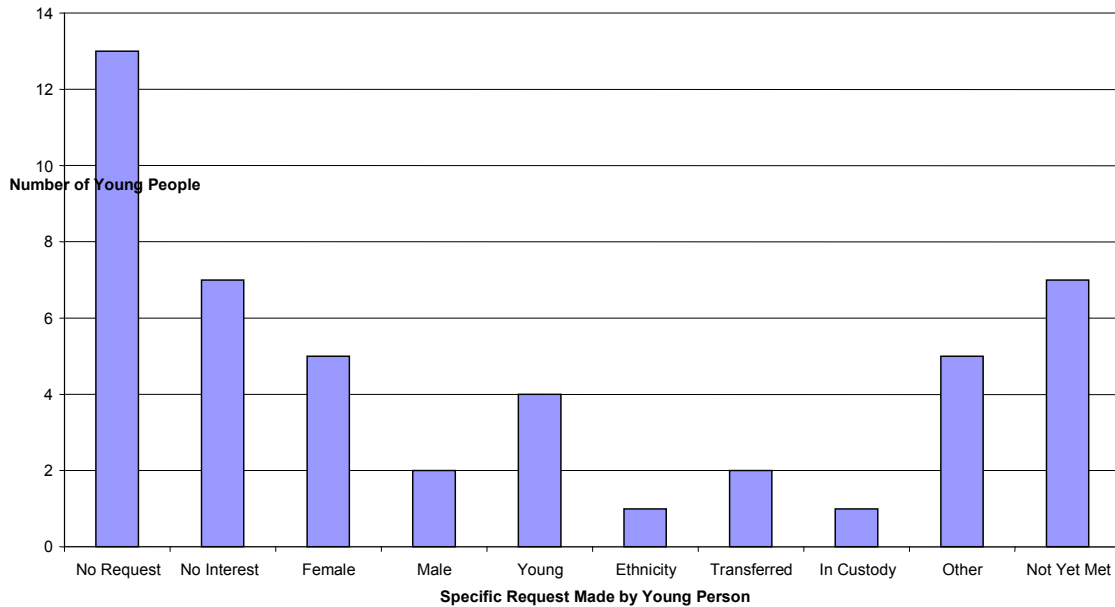
B2 – African

01 –  
Chinese

09 – Any  
other

NS – Prefer  
not to say

Overview of Referrals April 09' - April10'



**Future Aims**

Maintaining high levels of referrals

As mentioned we are now taking referrals from the entire YOSO and not just from R.A.P so as a result are receiving more referrals, with this in mind it is important for us to keep a steady flow of mentors to assist.

Staff training

I completed my PETELS course now and passed at level 4. So am more confident in delivering volunteer training.

**Children Fund review**

As part of Ealing Children’s Fund’s ‘Dunk the Junk’ summer holiday activities, SOVA Ealing was involved in a week long camp starting on 17-21<sup>st</sup> August at Dormers Wells Leisure Centre in Southall. The week involved physical activities and games and also focused group activities on gangs and weapons, healthy eating, drug awareness as well as motivation and team building exercises

We are still actively involved in the Children’s Support Panel meetings where each young person referred by social services is discussed. During reviews we have invited our volunteers to come and give feedback which has been greatly appreciated.

<b>Children’s Fund Referrals and New Matches for Young People At Risk of Offending</b>			
	<b>REFERRALS</b>	<b>MATCHES</b>	<b>TOTAL MATCHES</b>
<b>Q 1</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>Q 2</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>Q 3</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>52</b>
<b>Q 4</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>66</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>66</b>

During the end of Q3 we saw a complete overhaul of the YISP team in Ealing. SOVA was involved in inducting new members of staff into their roles and also advised the new YISP manager on how we the panel could go from strength to strength.

## **PRACTICAL SKILLS WORKSHOP**

The Practical Skills Workshop has been operating successfully for the past seven years. During which time, the Practical Skills Workshop has continued its links with the Hounslow Furniture Project.

The Practical Skills Workshop still remains one of the more popular choices of placement for the young people sentenced to Restorative Justice Orders. Not only because of its location in the YOT building, but also the activities undertaken in the workshop.

All the young people still continue to receive a certificate, they understand that it is not a recognised award, but have said it has given them a sense of achievement. It has encouraged many young people to carry on further and attend college to achieve a recognised award.

### **REFERRALS**

The following are figures for the SOVA Practical Skills Workshop April 09-March 10; this is below target due to the Practical Skill Workshop being closed during the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter, due to renovation work in the basement of the YOT. All workshop participants are completing their orders at other placements.

<b>Workshop Referrals</b>								
<b>ID</b>	<b>Surname</b>	<b>1st Name</b>	<b>Date Of Birth</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Sex</b>	<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Location/Area</b>
352	A	J	18/9/92	8/01/09	16	M	B2	Hanwell
353	K	B	N/A	8/01/09	17	M	W1	N/A
354	H	B	10/02/91	9/01/09	17	M	A2	Southall Broadway
355	C	K	17/12/92	21/01/09	16	M	B1	West Ealing
356	A	I	21/5/97	21/01/09	13	M	M9	Southall Broadway
357	G	B	7/10/91	5/2/09	17	M	W1	Southall Broadway
358	L	A	20/6/92	27/02/09	16	M	W1	Northolt Mandeville
359	W	J	13/04/93	13/4/09	17	M	W1	Hanwell
360	M	T	N/A	6/05/09	12	M	W2	Southall Broadway
361	A	A	13/05/94	7/05/09	16	M	W1	Hanwell
362	K	A	3/07/91	4/6/09	11	M	W2	Ealing Broadway
363	M	R	N/A	19/6/09		M	B1	N/A

Workshop Referrals								
ID	Surname	1st Name	Date Of Birth	Date Referred	Age	Sex	Ethnicity	Location/Area
364	P	D	13/12/92	2/07/09	16	M	W1	Ealing Broadway
365	B	G	6/11/91	2/7/09	17	M	W1	Northolt West End
366	C	S	24/01/93	15/07/09	16	M	W1	Northolt West End
367	M	F	4/12/93	14/08/09	15	M	A2	Greenford Broadway
368	S	H	5/08/91	8/9/09	18	M	A1	Southall Broadway
369	T	L	18/02/93	15/09/09	16	M	W1	Acton Central
370	A	M	21/11/92	24/09/09	15	M	A9	Northolt Mandeville
371	H	J	20/09/94	24/09/09	15	M	M2	Northolt Mandeville
372	P	J	15/05/93	2/10/09	16	M	B1	Greenford Broadway
373	B	S	6/05/95	8/10/09	14	M	W1	Southall Broadway
374	L	D	21/05/94	8/12/09	15	M	W1	Northolt West End
375	C	R	21/04/94	11/12/09	15	M	B1	Greenford Broadway
376	M	J	21/07/92	16/12/09	17	M	B1	Hayes
377	Y	A	21/01/95	17/12/09	14	M	B2	Chiswick

	Workshop Referrals	Workshop Participants	Current Participants	Completed
April 09- March 10	26	33	20	7

The Workshop received a steady amount of referrals throughout the year. And I am happy to report that once again we exceeded our targets.

	workshop referrals	workshop participants	Current participants	completed
Apr 06-Mar 07	50	32	4	18

**Downing St Event.**



The volunteer we nominated was a William Jewkes. William was matched with J, J a young offender who wasn't engaged in any education or employment. He was also regularly smoking cannabis which had robbed him of his motivation. Jamie had an interest in the building trade but was very reluctant to get back into education.

Once matched with J, William tirelessly rebuilt J's faith in education. He managed to get J to address his cannabis use highlighting how it would hinder the quality of his work in such an industry. He also set about researching local colleges for courses that would fit J's needs. William was extremely resourceful and managed to enroll J on courses that particularly interested him, firstly in carpentry and then another in bricklaying. Now actively involved in education, J is starting to make real plans and now sees a future for himself in the construction industry. He has also reduced his cannabis use and realizes how negative association can affect his goals and aspirations.



Young people at the practical skills workshop.

## Summary

Although we have had another year with highlights such as the Downing St visit and the Summer Camp, we are extremely saddened to see the end of the Practical Skills workshop which has been integral to SOVA Ealing from its inception.

I would like to again take this opportunity to thank Khurm for all his hard work and to wish him all the best for the future.

I would also like to thank Simone Hill for working diligently throughout the year.

Next year will see the completion of our Peer Mentoring training which will involve matching young people associated with gangs. We will also be involved in the referral order panel for the YOS and will be working much closer with Ealing Social Services.

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