

Positive News March 2016

Bristol

It has been a very busy month in our Bristol office as we have overseen two family reunions – a process which has benefitted from our support team's tireless hard work and dedication. One of the families we were able to reunite had not seen each other in seven years! It has been an exciting and ultimately relieving period for both families who are now finally able to be together; we wish them all the best for the future!

Wolverhampton

Our newly-established Wolverhampton branch has continued to grow over the past few months and we are happy to announce that both ESOL English and Employability training has begun at the branch. Sessions have been led by our trainers Matilda and Tom, alongside our new volunteer trainer Amy who was delighted by the enthusiastic response to her first ESOL English class. It has been great to see such a high attendance from learners in Wolverhampton who are keen to develop their skills, independence and employment prospects.

Birmingham

Much like Bristol, the Birmingham team have also been involved with family reunions – 8 families have been reunited in Birmingham in the past month and a half! One of our tenants was so overjoyed to be reunited with his wife and two children he came back to the office with a bundle of food for our team members! Birmingham support worker Haliima Ali spoke about her experience of assisting with family reunions at ACH:

“It's amazing to see the smiles on our tenants' faces when they are reunited with their families. These reunions have a hugely positive emotional impact on them.”