



## Autumn Training Programme 2009

**Act fast** and get **DISCOUNTS** and **FREE** places for voluntary and community sector organisations

### Simply email us back now to provisionally book your place/s

(maximum 3 per organisation per course) and we will email you a booking form to complete whilst reserving your place.

- **Book before 30th September** and get your place for only £20, including lunch
- **Buy one get one free** for someone else in your organisation (on any course below)
- If your organisation has **no paid staff** book a place for just £5

### Community Development Work Skills

(mapped to the new National Occupational Standards)

**Date:** 26 November 2009; **Time:** 9.30 – 3pm; (**lunch provided**); **Venue:** Perdiswell Young Peoples Leisure Club, Worcester; **Trainer:** Karen Humphries, Community First

### Effective Development of Your Management Committee

**Date:** 2 December 2009 **Duration:** 9.30 – 3pm (**lunch provided**) **Venue:** Perdiswell Young Peoples Leisure Club, Worcester **Trainer:** Hasnah Sheriff

### Strategic Planning in Uncertain Times

**Date:** 9 December 2009 **Time:** 9.30 – 3pm (**lunch provided**) **Venue:** Perdiswell Young Peoples Leisure Club, Worcester **Trainer:** Hasnah Sheriff

**Full details of each course will be circulated on separate emails or go to our website:**

[http://www.comfirst.org.uk/training\\_autumn\\_programme\\_2009](http://www.comfirst.org.uk/training_autumn_programme_2009) and click on the link for more information at the base of each course title

Other training coming soon:

- **Full Cost Recovery;**
- **How to Write a Funding Bid;**
- **Management and Leadership** – managing and supervising others (accreditation available with the Institute of Leadership and Management);

Cost:

Voluntary Sector organisations: **£25 (£20 per person** if booking received by 31<sup>st</sup> September for VCS organisations);

Voluntary and Community Sector Organisations with no paid staff: **£5**

Public Sector: £95

**The detail about the day:**

**Course title** **Community Development Work Skills ( Level 2/3)**

**Who should attend**

This course is for community development workers in paid or voluntary posts. It is aimed at those who have several years experience of working with communities and is suitable for those who work directly with communities in order to improve quality of life and those who act as a link between communities, local government and statutory bodies.

**Course aim**

Learning is a key part of community development work since improving our own practice and understanding helps us to respond to the people we work with. This course will provide an opportunity for community development workers to think about their own practice, knowledge and values, to find out what they do well and how they could work better.

**Course content includes:**

The course will provide an introduction to the new occupational standards for community development work, which outline the skills and knowledge needed to undertake community development. We will look at these and explore the idea of 'the reflective community development practitioner' – using our experience to improve our own practice.

We will also look at practical tips and techniques for working with communities, sharing good practice ideas to help us support them in planning for change and taking action.

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**The trainer, Karen Humphries** is an experienced community development worker. She has worked with groups as diverse as disaffected young people and the rural clergy, to develop and promote ideas for helping communities to plan for and manage change. She has a special interest in community empowerment and action and has carried out research and delivered training both here and abroad. She continues to enjoy an active role in Community First both training and working with communities.

**\* Key to levels of courses**

- Level 1 – Basic/Introductory/Starter.
- Level 2 – Some experience required and/or suitable for people who have completed level 1.
- Level 3 – For those with substantial experience and/or for people and/or who have undertaken level 2.

