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DIANA ACTIVE CAMPAIGNER

Award Holder/Group Name: Alex
Category: Diana Active Campaigner
Organisation: Fixers
Town: Winchester
Region: Wales

Alex is a wonderful young person with a massive heart, who has been campaigning and making change for other young transgender people. Alex knew that he wasn't supposed to be born female, but didn't really understand the meaning of transgender until he was 15 years old- it was at this point that he decided to come out. Alex is now campaigning to make it easier for other young people to go through this process. He faced bullying and prejudice, and doesn't want anyone else to go through the same. With Fixers, Alex has created a poster campaign encouraging those who know they are transgender to 'make the change'. Alex is also an #iwill ambassador, and spoke on stage in front of thousands of people at last year's Pride Cymru event.

Award Holder/Group Name: Naomi
Category: Diana Active Campaigner
Organisation: Fixers
Town: Winchester
Region: Wales

Having felt isolated and alone when she began to experience panic attacks, Naomi became a passionate campaigner for mental health awareness. She played a pivotal part in the creation of an awareness raising film highlighting the traits and behaviours of young people with mental health issues. Naomi coordinated the collection of information from students at her school to understand which mental health issues are most common and held awareness raising presentations at her school and other neighbouring schools. Naomi's campaign reached a national level when she wrote a blog about her experience of mental health issues for The Huffington Post for which she has received widespread praise.

Award Holder/Group Name: Jumana
Category: Diana Active Campaigner
Organisation: Howell's School
Town: Cardiff
Region: Wales

Jumana describes herself as 'Welsh of Syrian origin'. She has always been very aware of the security and opportunities she enjoys in the UK and has actively sought to campaign for those who face more challenging circumstances. While she has recently been particularly focussed on the plight of Syrians caught up in or fleeing from conflict, she has been keen to raise awareness of the oppressed and persecuted in other parts of the world, and has been proactive in raising awareness and funds for the disadvantaged in Britain. Jumana is an active participant in such initiatives as Human Care Syria, Islamic Relief and has campaigned with Amnesty international.

DIANA CHAMPION VOLUNTEER

Award Holder/Group Name: Mia

Category: Diana Champion Volunteer

Organisation: Caudwell Children

Town: Taffs Well

Region: Wales

Mia has Cerebral Palsy, yet you would never know. Although her condition causes her to be in consistent pain and to get tired very easily, she is full of energy and does not allow her condition to limit the opportunities available to her. For the last two years Mia has volunteered as a child ambassador for Caudwell Children. She works hard alongside the organization by attending events, meeting with other children who have disabilities and actively aiding in the development and improvement of the charity. Mia also took part in organising and running a fundraising events for Caudwell Children and has been working on reaching her goal since 2013.

Award Holder/Group Name: Egypt Centre Young Volunteers

Category: Diana Champion Volunteer

Organisation: Egypt Centre, Museum of Egyptian Antiquities

Town: Swansea

Region: Wales

The Egypt Centre museum of Egyptian antiquities is not just defined by its collection, a key part of its appeal and longevity is its volunteers, in particular its young volunteers. The Egypt Centre is one part artefacts, one part atmosphere and several parts fun. Much of this is down to the young volunteers. They are unique and a part of the museum which the museum testifies as something they could no longer do without - they attract visitors. They appeal to all ages of visitor and bring an enthusiasm to the museum which is infectious.

Award Holder/Group Name: Ysgol Rhosnesni Year 11 Peer Mentors

Category: Diana Champion Volunteer

Organisation: Ysgol Rhosnesni High School

Town: Wrexham

Region: Wales

The Peer Mentors give up their free time during and after school to support year 7 students through their transition into secondary school. The group run drop-in sessions every day where students can come for 1-2-1 support as well as regular patrols around the school grounds. They deliver transition workshops and assemblies in feeder primary schools and take the lead on their school's anti-bullying week activities. The Peer Mentors work has created a team ethos around the school with all staff and students working to create a safe and happy learning environment for all.