# Supporting Services and Community Organisations

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## Nationwide services and support

#### **Barnardo's Helpline**

#### Barnardo's

The hotline provides advice on a range of issues including, but not limited to, housing options, access to education, benefits, settlement and resettlement. It has a team of culturally diverse staff who speak multiple languages, including Cantonese and English.

Helpline opening hours

Monday - Friday (10am-8pm)

Saturday (10-3pm)

via phone <u>0800 151 2605</u>, and by email <u>Boloh.helpline@barnardos.org.uk</u>.

### On your side

On Your Side is a UK-wide support and reporting service for anyone in the UK who identifies as East and Southeast Asian who has experienced racism or any forms of hate.

#### **UKHK**

In UKHK's website, you will find <u>events</u>, <u>information</u>, <u>stories</u>, and <u>opportunities</u> to connect with new friends that will help you to settle in and navigate your new life in the UK.

#### Hongkongers in Britain (HKB)

HKB is a civil-society organisation established in July 2020. HKB's primary objectives are to provide assistance, advice and support for the Hongkongers community coming to/arrived in the UK; enabling them to settle, integrate, and contribute towards the UK society.

## Local services and support

#### Yorkshire-wide

**KCALC** 

# HKSS - Hong Kong Settlement Scheme - Kirklees Citizens Advice & Law Centre (kcalc.org.uk)

KCALC has launched Hong Kong Settlement Scheme in partnership with Hong Kong Hub to provide bilingual advice service for BN(O) Visa holders **who live in the Yorkshire and Humber region** to give general advice (in English and Cantonese) and legal advice (available in English Only) to support new arrivals from Hong Kong. This service is free.

Contact (by phone or WhatsApp): 07946 100 446 (Monday to Friday 9:30 - 16:00)

#### **West Yorkshire**

#### Path Yorkshire

#### **PATH Yorkshire**

Positive Youth Pathways offers support and guidance to young Hongkongers aged 17-21 residing in West Yorkshire. This programme's mission is to facilitate their understanding of British culture, language, and values, fostering a seamless integration into British society. In this programme, participants will gain English language skills for both living and working in the UK. This programme provides a diverse range of opportunities for personal and professional growth, including training sessions, seminars, cultural events, and heritage trips. Positive Youth Pathways is delivered by PATH Yorkshire.

Contact: daphne.mak@pathyorkshire.co.uk or 07310 094533

#### **South Yorkshire**

**South Yorkshire WH Community** 

**Wah Hong** 

#### Leeds

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Information sessions and practical support for Hongkongers run by St Barnabas' Church. Meet every 2 weeks during school weeks (term-time only) <a href="https://stbarnabasalwoodley.org.uk/">https://stbarnabasalwoodley.org.uk/</a>

#### **Community and faith organisations**

**Leeds Umbrella CIC** 

**Re-water CIC** 

#### **Sheffield Chinese Christian Church**

#### **Strings of Life**

Social activities, peer support and volunteering opportunities

# **Volunteering Opportunities**

If you are interested in volunteering or helping out with activities involving Hongkongers, contact any of the organisations listed above directly.

For other local volunteering opportunities follow us on Facebook!

# Drop-in sessions on social activities, peer support and volunteering opportunities

<u>Drop-in session on local support in Yorkshire and Humber region - 20 April 2022</u>

This event provided an overview of help available for Hongkongers settling in Yorkshire and Humber. The session was split in two parts covering national and regional support.

Drop-in session on volunteering - 2 February 2022

This session provided an overview of what volunteering is, explained benefits of volunteering and help available to volunteers in Hull, Leeds and Sheffield.

Other drop-in sessions

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