



The  
**FOYER**  
Federation

Members Pack

# WHO WE ARE



The Foyer Federation exists to harness the talent and potential of young people and was founded by Shelter and Diageo. Inspired by a housing offer for young workers in France in the early 1990s, the Foyer model was developed as a radical response to high levels of youth unemployment and growing youth homelessness.

The Foyer was designed to be an alternative approach to a hostel, integrating housing, education, training, employment and health support with personal development for young people aged 16-30 who could not live at home. The Foyer Federation has helped to lead this service approach over 30 years, pioneering strengths-based solutions to youth disadvantage through our influential 'Advantaged Thinking' focus, and developing a network of quality-assured UK Foyers able to work in this way with thousands of young people experiencing disadvantage each year.

# WHAT WE DO



## WE INNOVATE

Creating purposeful opportunities for young people that develop enterprising minds, active citizens and future leaders.

## WE BUILD

Helping our partners and network to grow their quality and impact by providing the tools, expertise and support to help them create the right environment for young people to thrive.

## WE INFLUENCE

Challenging partners and stakeholders to adopt Advantaged Thinking - believing and investing in young people.

## WE LEAD

Developing communities of practice and groundbreaking solutions, listening carefully to our network and tailoring our responses to put Advantaged Thinking in to action.

# OUR APPROACH

'Advantaged Thinking is all about taking a positive view through positive action. Understanding ability, recognising qualities, promoting achievements, inspiring what is possible. Using the advantages we possess as humans to create and do new things.'

In *Advantaged Thinking*, our needs, deficits and weaknesses are given a different focus by being connected to our goals, assets and strengths. *Advantaged Thinking* believes that taking positive action allows us to deal more effectively with the negatives in our lives.'

Foyer Federation, 2012





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# OUR PEOPLE



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Company secretary and  
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# WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A FOYER



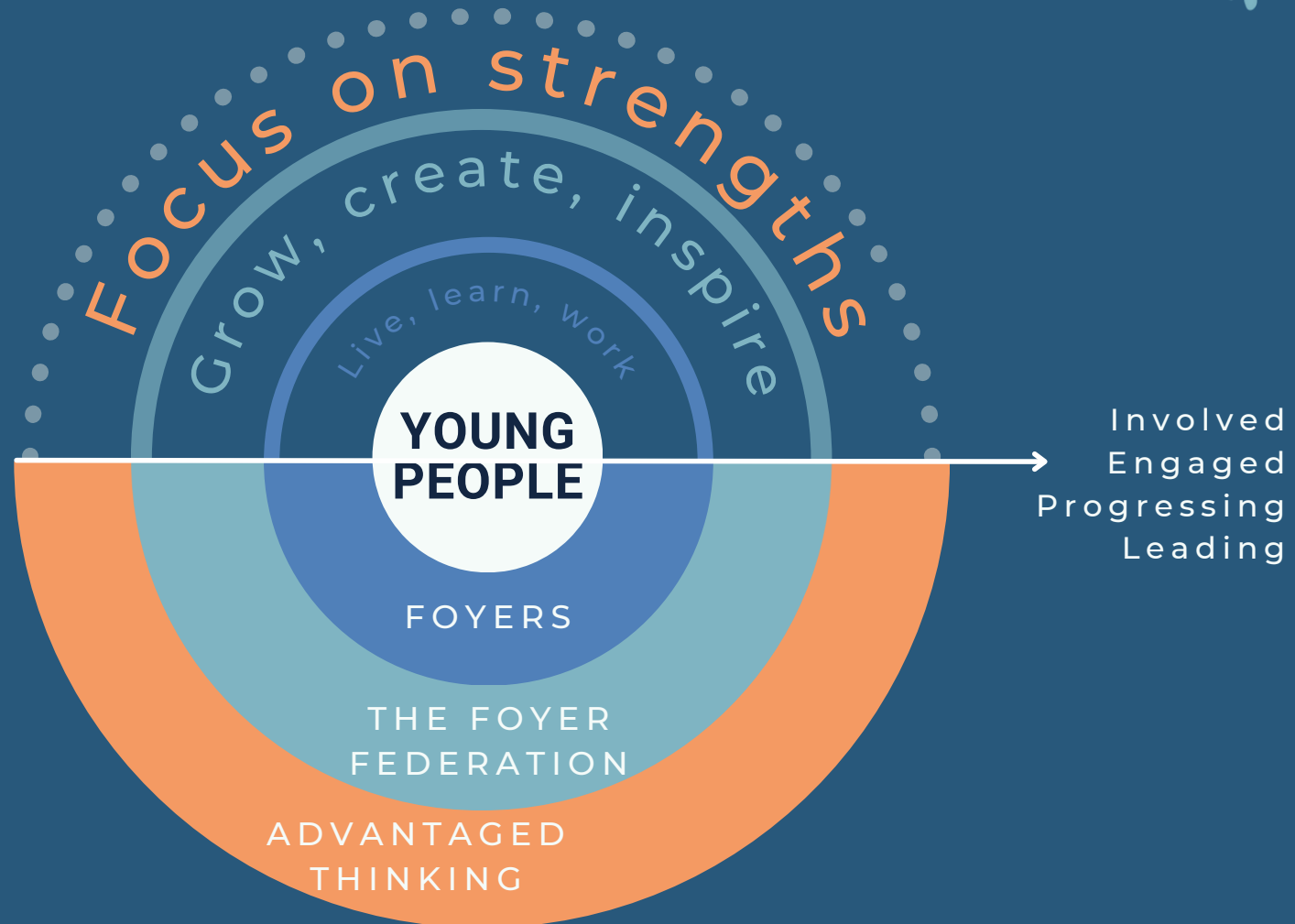
The youth supported housing providers we partner with are committed to being;

- ✓ A place of purpose - where young people can grow, develop and thrive
- ✓ A place with choice - with bespoke opportunities to learn, be involved, be yourself and have new positive experiences.
- ✓ A place of safety - a high quality service with a safe, secure, inviting environment and a culture of trust.
- ✓ Inspirational people - with clear roles and responsibilities who can coach, develop relationships and build skills with others.
- ✓ A place for community- where young people belong and are connected to something bigger

# OUR OFFER



# OUR APPROACH





# Expertise, Community & resources



Be part of a community with a rich history of over 32 years experience in youth supported housing, share good practice and co-create tools and resources.

## National network



We have over **65 Foyers** across the UK- provide your team with a place to **learn** from and **connect** with like minded professionals

## Exclusive resources



Explore a wealth of **resources**, including bespoke journals developed for youth supported housing providers and resources shared across our network

## Access our expertise

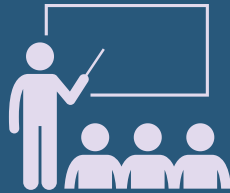


Unlock the Foyer Federations **30 years of experience** in supporting and developing high quality Youth Supported Housing services.

# How we support your service

Exclusive training, events and support to help your team thrive

## Training and Development



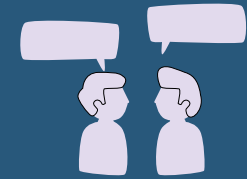
We have a packed training, development & events calendar, running in person and online all throughout the year and across the country.

## Grants to support your Foyer



Our grants are there to build capacity in Foyers, support the Foyer workforce and provide the best possible environment for young people.

## Relationship manager support



Our relationship managers provide bespoke guidance and support to ensure we stay connected to your needs.

# Supporting your young people

Impactful & bespoke training, development & grants to give your young people power and purpose

## Programmes for young people



Our programmes, co-created with young people living in Foyers, are designed to support young people to live with power and purpose.

## Grants to help young people thrive



Our grants, exclusively for young people living in Foyers empower them to pursue their passions and talents and move on from the Foyer.

## Involvement and Influencing



We give young people opportunities to get involved and make change, both within our organisation and on the issues which they care about.

# Quality development, recognition and accreditation

Our nationally recognised quality development programme and accompanying accreditation enables services to grow their impact and stay accountable.

## Evaluation & quality development



Our supportive and challenging quality development programme enables you to reflect on your offer & implement impactful change in your service.

## Recognition and benchmarking



Our benchmarking and review process enables services to monitor the quality and impact of their work and provides national recognition.

## Attract Funding



The accreditation provides independent endorsement of your services quality, helping to attract ongoing funding.

# YOUR JOURNEY

How we support Foyers to embed Advantaged Thinking in their services, achieving accreditation, endorsement & national recognition

Join our community and access our full membership offer, expertise and community.

**Member**

After 12-18 months your service will be supported to begin their quality development journey & gain accreditation.

**Accrediting  
Member**

Once accredited as an Advantaged Thinking service, you will access our brand, endorsement and industry recognition as a high quality service

**Accredited  
Member**





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Thank you!