CALLING ALL CHOIRSI

JOIN OUR CHOIR TWINNING
PROCRAMME AND SUPPORT
HOMELESS PEOPLE

"BEING AROUND PEOPLE AT CHOIR IS AMAZING. I LIKE THAT WE ARE ONE BIG FAMILY, WHEN I'M AT CHOIR WITH NO NAME, I HAVE SOMEWHERE WHERE I BELONG".
ROSE. CHOIR MEMBER



A little bit about us...

The Choir with No Name (CWNN) has been successfully running choirs involving homeless and marginalised people since 2008 and we currently run choirs in London, Brighton, Birmingham, Liverpool and Cardiff. We are a small charity with big ambitions to reach more people who find themselves going through a rough patch by launching new choirs across the UK over the next few years.

What we do is simple...

Like most community choirs, we meet once a week to have a cuppa and a catch up, and then sing together. We also sit down for a hot meal afterwards and meet up 48 weeks of the year. We perform regularly at venues ranging from the Royal Festival Hall to local homeless services and everywhere in between. We sing music that makes you feel good – from Aretha to Abba, Bowie to Britney, and our gigs are some of the most fun you can have; their raucous, uplifting feel challenge audiences' expectations. Week to week we see our members grow – as singers, as musicians and as people; our choirs provide a safe space where members can rebuild their lives, experience the amazing benefits of communal singing and form genuine, lifelong

friendships. We all deserve to have a place we belong, where we can have fun and feel good about ourselves. Our choirs are that place.

Why do we do it?...

As choir members yourselves, you'll know better than anyone how powerful singing together can be – it is one of the fastest ways to form friendships and is amazing for your physical and mental health (but we don't need to tell you that!) For our choir members, having a supportive choir family around them when they are going through a tough time can be the catalyst for moving away from homelessness long term. Self-confidence grows, new life skills are learned and resilience is built up so members find themselves in a stronger position to tackles life's other challenges, such as securing housing or finding work. At the very least, our rehearsals are an opportunity to leave their troubles at the door and have fun – something we all need from time to time.

CWNN Choir Twinning Programme

Our choirs are free for our choir members. We're a small charity who rely on the generosity of public donations and fundraising to keep our members singing, which is why we've launched our choir twinning programme. We're looking for choirs of any size who would like to be twinned with a CWNN choir and help support us through fun, inclusive performances and fundraising opportunities.

This is a fantastic opportunity for your choir to align with a credible, energetic and passionate music charity supporting some of the most socially disadvantaged members of the community, and who truly understand the power of singing together to make a real and tangible difference.

Every choir is different, and we want to form a partnership what works for all parties, but coming on board as a CWNN twin choir could include the following:

- Joint concert opportunities we would love to sing with you! Your choir would have the opportunity to host a joint concert with their twin CWNN choir with ticket revenue split to cover costs, but where profits and charitable collections would support the Choir with No Name.
- Hosting charity collections at your concerts, or donate a percentage of your ticket sales to support us (or both!)
- Include an additional donation on top of your usual choir subs to support our choirs and keep us singing every week of the year.
- Opportunities for your choir members to visit us in rehearsal, sing with our members, meet our musical directors, staff and volunteers and see how your support helps us continue our vital work with homeless communities across the UK.
- Shared publicity opportunities as a CWNN twin choir, we would use our social media and supporter mailing lists to promote your concerts as well as relevant news from your choir.
- A fabulous CWNN tote bag and badge for all your choir members!

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