

# FORGIVENESS, PEACE & HOPE FOR JIMMY



Impact report  
2018



# Who we are

For Jimmy was founded by Barry & Margaret Mizen MBEs. It has now grown into a committed and enthusiastic team of former teachers, youth workers, learning mentors and experienced charity professionals

We believe we can achieve safer and more cohesive communities by working together and understanding the root causes of the issues we are seeking to rectify. This involves early intervention, education and engagement with young people and their communities.

Through all of our work with young people we aim to:

Inspire individual responsibility

Build connected communities

Create safe spaces to turn to



“I was influenced by Jimmy’s story; the work the Mizens have done has given me confidence and as a result I wanted to help. I really want to make the community a better place for young people”

Amy is a young person from Lewisham



## More than a tenth year

**On May 10th this year, we marked the ten year anniversary of Jimmy's death**

This year we celebrate more than the love of our family. We celebrate the love we have found from the wider community, from the whole country. We have listened to the fears, concerns and hopes of young people. For Jimmy has worked tirelessly for ten years to find solutions that can help keep our young people safe and direct them towards understanding and empathy rather than negative actions.

We live in a time when everyone is waiting for someone else to do it for us. This leads to the situation we are now in whereby we all blame each other, or we sit back and just complain to the various organisations, whether politicians, police, schools or other parents, this does nothing to improve the situation.

Our answer lies in the community; what are we all going to do to tackle issues within our own communities. We hope you will join us on our journey to make communities safer.

*Barry + Margaret*



# Inspiring responsibility

## Safe Havens

Safe Havens is an effective six session early intervention programme, that moves disadvantaged young people from feeling disconnected and unsafe in their communities, to an awareness of their ability to bring about change. The key activity involves creating Safe Havens - places of refuge for young people to turn to when they feel unsafe. All activities support young people to make positive choices and reach their potential through building relationships within their local community.

**“Doing the Safe Havens programme has helped me to value others’ feelings just as much as my own. I really enjoyed being able to play a part in helping the community”**

Lewisham pupil

## Talks for Change

For Jimmy runs Talks for Change across the UK, inspiring and equipping young people to take action towards making their schools and local communities safer places to grow up in.

We share Jimmy's story and our ongoing inspirational response to his death; encouraging the young people to be advocates of forgiveness, peace and hope.

**“Students felt encouraged to become agents of change to ensure that our society is a safer and better place to live and work”**

Teacher at Woldingham School



**Young people are, and feel, unsafe in their communities and we strive to change this by helping them to:**

- ▶ **Work with others through understanding themselves, building self-confidence and valuing others**
- ▶ **Develop empathy and build trust with one another**
- ▶ **Identify the type of community they want to live in and believe that change is possible**
- ▶ **Take responsibility for their own actions and their role in creating safer communities**



# Connecting communities

**For Jimmy works hard to give young people a voice and subsequently a stake in their community**

Many young people do not have an accessible forum in which they can express their safety concerns to those with the power to implement systemic change. Our Safety Conferences provide a platform for young people to express their safety concerns; ensuring young people lead on the planning and delivery of positive social action.

For Jimmy builds connected communities, through facilitating a space in which a wide range of community members interact and build understanding, empathy and trust. This year's Safety Conferences in Deptford and Lewisham brought together young people from 15 different schools to meet with members of Lewisham Council, the police force and the business community.

**"The safety conference gives young people a voice because we get to see how change can actually happen. The process has given us confidence... if we really want to make a change then it is achievable"**

A year 9 pupil at Prendergast

**“Pupils played a major part in hosting a safety conference. This promotes their leadership skills and supports them to develop their self-confidence”**

Addey & Stanhope Ofsted report



**“I feel better about myself”**

**While working in Good Hope café, David's confidence has gone from strength to strength**

The Workplace Training programme supports young people with learning difficulties to gain transferable employment skills, experience a work environment and ultimately to find paid work that enables them to become independent.

This experience increased David's confidence, encouraging and inspiring him to become involved in activities that he wouldn't normally be comfortable with, and to feel more connected within the community.

**“Since starting my placement at Good Hope, I'm more confident.”**

# Creating safe spaces for people to turn to

**“This is a step in the right direction for creating safer communities”**

A Safe Haven is a shop or business that agrees to help a young person who is feeling threatened or unsafe by allowing them to wait inside the shop until they feel confident enough to leave. In extreme circumstances, this may mean calling the police.

Through the Safe Havens programme we provide the opportunity for young people to visit their local high street to engage with the shopkeepers and ask them to become Safe Havens.

We believe this programme enables young people to lead the way in building safer, more connected communities—the type of communities we all want to live in.



**“I can trust the places with the stickers on the windows and I know they’re safe”**

Grinling Gibbons pupil



**“All of us in the shop are more than happy to help those in need – we understand that the youth can become lost, confused and struggle. As we help the community we are in turn helping ourselves”**

**Shopkeeper – African Hairways Barbers**

**41**

**Deptford**

**22**

**New Cross**

**12**

**Blackheath**

**22**

**16**

**Brockley**

**Lewisham**

**22**

**Lee**

**1**

**Forest Hill**

**9**

**Catford**

**SAFE  
HAVENS  
FOR JIMMY**

# What have we achieved in 2018?

We worked directly with 11,275 young people in total

- ▶ **Safe Havens** 458 young people completed the programme
- ▶ **Talks for Change** 10,620 young people heard the Mizen's talk
- ▶ **Young Citizens** 28 young people are taking responsibility
- ▶ **Safety Conferences** 149 young people discussed their concerns
- ▶ **Workplace Trainees** 20 young people are learning new skills

## Safe Havens programme

- ▶ 18 programmes
  - ▶ 458 young people
  - ▶ 50% of young people feel safer as a result of For Jimmy's Safe Havens programme
- “I feel more confident that I can talk to those shopkeepers, I also feel safer in the community and trust more people”**

## Safe Havens engagement

- ▶ 126 new Safe Havens
- ▶ 99% of shopkeepers feel inspired to take responsibility for their wider community
- ▶ 73% of shopkeepers believe they have a positive relationship with their community as a result of becoming a Safe Haven
- ▶ 94% of shopkeepers agree Safe Havens are helping to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour in their area

**“We are about being mutually supportive, there is a connectedness. I would really like to get involved in other Safety Conferences and other volunteering opportunities at For Jimmy”**

## Talks for Change

- ▶ 54 talks
- ▶ 10,620 young people

**“I know that this hit home hard for our students and will have changed lives”**

*Lucie Jones-Lee, Head of SMRE at Willowfield College*

## Safety Conferences

- ▶ 2 Safety Conferences
- ▶ 149 young people
- ▶ 84% of students involved in the organisation of the Safety Conference felt proud of how it went
- ▶ Subsequently 68% of students believed they can do something to make their community better

## Young Citizens

- ▶ 28 Young Citizens
- ▶ 83% of our Young Citizens agreed Jimmy's story has inspired them to get involved in raising awareness about issues affecting young people
- ▶ 58% of our Young Citizens stated they would like to work with others outside of their friendship group as a result of being involved with For Jimmy

## Workplace Training programme

- ▶ 20 young adults trained

**“I feel so happy and better about myself, that when I was encouraged to get involved with the Young Citizens programme, I decided to do it. I am helping to reach other young people in Lewisham and promote Safe Havens”**



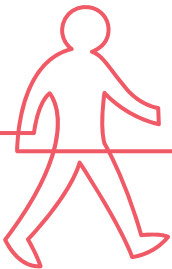
## Our community

### Walking For Jimmy

26 May 2018

**300 walkers raised over £60,000.**

PwC organised a great post-walk event for the walkers at their offices in More London.



### Running For Jimmy

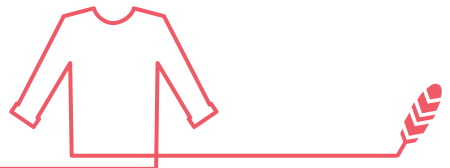
10 March 2018

A team of 17 For Jimmy runners **raised £5,000**

### Jumpers For Jimmy

December 2017

Young people wore Christmas Jumpers to school and **raised over £3,500**





## “I feel like I have been given a voice”

Since 2011 Tanisha Barrett-Thomas has been involved with For Jimmy across our 10,000 Hands project, the Safe Havens programme and now as a Young Citizen

Young Citizens is a youth-led programme offering great volunteering opportunities for young people aged 13–25. It empowers young people to address safety issues and supports them to contribute to creating safer communities.

Tanisha’s time as a Young Citizen at For Jimmy increased her awareness of particular issues impacting her community.

**“I became aware that I need to keep my area more safe and to speak out from the youngsters’ perspective and create a change not only for my community but also for schools in Lewisham.”**

Tanisha was awarded the Young Londoner Award in October. The award celebrates the outstanding contribution she is making to her community with the support of For Jimmy.

# Thank you

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# The continuing journey

## What we have in store for 2019

We will deliver **18 Safe Havens** programmes, sharing Jimmy's story in each of these schools



Set up at least **two** flagship schools



Complete safeguarding training for a total of **150 Safe Havens**



Establish **50 new Safe Havens** and **five flagship Safe Havens**

We will deliver **40 Talks for Change**



Engage **30 new Young Citizens**

Deliver **two Safety Conferences** bringing together over **150 young people**



Complete training for **33 trainees**



We will also set up **250 Safe Havens** outside of Lewisham.

To find out more more visit [forjimmy.org](http://forjimmy.org) or email [safehavens@forjimmy.org](mailto:safehavens@forjimmy.org)



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