

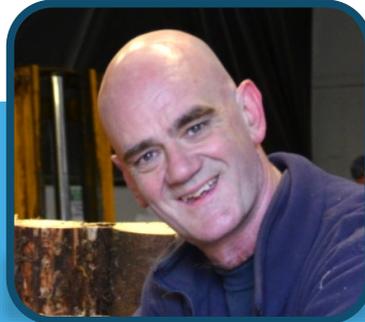
# vineyard compassion SUPPORTER

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## RUSSELL'S STORY

Russell had a history of gambling, which started out as simple slot machine fun but turned into a daily life of gambling after his marriage broke down. Over a period of a few years he lost his job, his home and he accrued more and more debt. Russell ended up living in a house with no water, no electricity, no heat and no hope. With mounting debts and unpaid fines, Russell realised that he needed to break this cycle and change his life. He had heard of the CAP Debt Centre and after encouragement by family he made the decision to approach Vineyard Compassion. This was not easy for Russell, as he had to face up to his problems and take the brave steps to ask for help.

One Monday in October 2016 he called at the office to get help, and was supported through Foodbank with an emergency food pack, other essential items and received benefits advice. By the Wednesday he had his first CAP Debt counselling appointment to deal with the debt issue and on the Friday he began our supported volunteering work programme in Link Logs social enterprise (attending 3 days a week ever since). Russell was sorted out with temporary housing until a few weeks later he was given the key to his own apartment within Compassion Housing. Russell knows he has a long journey ahead but because he is supported in many different ways by Vineyard Compassion, he now has the hope of a new life, with the resources to tackle the underlying cause of his problems.



*Help provide hope & a solution to people like Russell*

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*'changing the community one life at a time'*

Registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland NIC 100508

Vineyard Compassion provides people with practical and emotional support at their crisis point of need while empowering them to tackle the underlying root causes - for more information on our projects visit [www.vineyardcompassion.co.uk](http://www.vineyardcompassion.co.uk)

## 3 ways you could support Vineyard Compassion

### 1) Refer

If you know someone who would benefit from our support please tell them to give us a call. Telephone 028 7022 0005 Mon - Fri 9am - 5pm.

### 2) Give

As little as £3 per month can help us support individuals and families who are disadvantaged, socially excluded, in crisis or suffering financially. Fill out the attached standing order and maximise your giving by 25% if you also fill out the Gift Aid Declaration.

### 3) Volunteer

Why not get hands on and become part of the solution by joining our volunteer team. We have a variety of roles in different projects where you can make a real difference! Contact us at [volunteer@vineyardcompassion.co.uk](mailto:volunteer@vineyardcompassion.co.uk) or call 028 7022 0005 Mon - Fri 9am - 5pm.

## VIOLET'S STORY

Violet has a history of alcoholism, drugs and self-harm. She found herself in a difficult position and felt her life was going off track. She had made poor relationship choices and wanted to keep in with the crowd. Violet knew she needed to make changes, to move out of the environment she was living in so asked a friend for help.

Violet's friend brought her to Vineyard Compassion and set up a meeting with the Compassion Housing manager. Compassion Housing offers short and medium term accommodation for people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. The project helps support individuals to move towards independent living. The Housing manager arranged for Violet to view the flats and after an initial assessment she was offered the accommodation. Violet received support from Vineyard Compassion Foodbank and Wear House clothing bank, these projects also helped her obtain household items to move into the flat.

Violet began to feel supported in the Housing project, she was able to leave behind her dependency on alcohol and drugs, and focus on the future. She started to save money every week in preparation for moving on. She decorated the flat and was able to buy new furniture, making the flat her home.

Time in the flat was not always easy for Violet but with Compassion Support she journeyed through the difficult times. After 16 months, Violet felt strong enough to move out of supported accommodation and into her own home. Now she enjoys decorating her new home, she has a part time job and has taken up knitting and crocheting as hobbies. Violet has a very different outlook on her life today and Vineyard Compassion has helped make this possible.



Why not skip a coffee each month and donate even as little as £3 to support Vineyard Compassion as we tackle poverty in our local community

## To Bank/Building Society Manager

Name of Bank/Building Society: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### MY DETAILS (please complete in BLOCK CAPITALS):

Title:  First name or initial (s):  Surname:

Full Home Address

Postcode:

Tel:  Mobile:

Email:

Account:  Sort code:

Signature:  Date:

### YOUR GIFT:

Each month starting from (date) \_\_\_\_\_ and until further notice

Please select: £3 / £5 / £10 / £20 / £50 / £100 or £ \_\_\_\_\_

Starts on: 1<sup>st</sup> / 8<sup>th</sup> / 15<sup>th</sup> / 28<sup>th</sup> of each month

To be paid into the **Vineyard Compassion** account at the **Danske Bank**, Coleraine Branch.

Account no: 9021 9843 Sort Code: 95-02-77

Note to bank/building society: please use the client's name as the reference

### Would you like your gift to go even further at no cost to you?

Please fill in the **GIFT AID DECLARATION** on the back

Please send fully completed forms to: **Vineyard Compassion**  
**10 Hillmans Way, Ballycastle Road, Coleraine, BT52 2ED**

For more information please contact us on 028 7022 0005 - or check [www.vineyardcompassion.co.uk](http://www.vineyardcompassion.co.uk)

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NI Charity No: NIC100508 HMRC Charity Reference: XT37210

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I want to Gift Aid my donation of £\_\_\_\_\_ and any donations I make in the future or have made in the past 4 years to: Vineyard Compassion XT37210. Boost your donation by 25p of Gift Aid for every £1 you donate.

*Gift Aid is reclaimed by the charity from the tax you pay for the current tax year. Your address is needed to identify you as a current UK taxpayer.*

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