

Community Money Advice

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The national charity Community Money Advice is delighted to announce that they have today been awarded the **Queen's Diamond Jubilee Volunteering Award** for the establishment of a national network of 120 community based Debt Advice Centres 'training & employing' 700 fully qualified volunteers across the United Kingdom.

Heather Keates (CEO and Founder):

'I am so proud that the selfless commitment of CMA's centre staff across the nation has been recognised by this prestigious award granted by Her Majesty the Queen and the Cabinet Office. To have our work endorsed at the very highest level is an extraordinary encouragement for everyone working within the CMA network and a spur for all of us to continue to develop our service, grow our network and so reach and help release more families and individuals from the terrible blight of indebtedness.'

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Community Money Advice (CMA) is a national charity that for eleven years has enabled community groups to establish local, free to client, face to face debt advice services, through the provision of a range of services including: industry standard training; LSC approved sample policies and procedures; a freephone Adviceline; regional Operations Support Managers; administration software and information resources. CMA is committed to supporting churches and other community groups with a vision to help people overcome their money problems and make a fresh start on a stable financial footing free from the blight of indebtedness.

Each year CMA's UK wide network of centres help thousands of people escape from the blight of indebtedness by providing free, unconditional, face to face, fully confidential advice and practical support to people from all walks of life. Advice is specific to each client's needs and advisers will give as much time and support as required until debts have been repaid, budgeting skills have been taught and financial stability achieved.

You are lifesavers. I didn't know what to do or where to go and was ready to do something stupid. You have shown me that my life is worth living. (Mr D, CMA client)

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