

Using our services – Information for Referrers

**Referrals are accepted from all agencies and we accept self-referrals.
Friends or family can refer someone too.**

If you are supporting an adult who is moving out of a hostel or who is already in their new accommodation but is at risk of homelessness and would like a befriender, please get in touch and make a referral to us.

After an initial assessment, we will decide about how suitable this service is for the person being referred. If accepted, we will match the person being referred with two trained and supported befriending volunteers. Together they can start the work to build up a network of supportive relationships.

The pair of volunteers will meet with the person being befriended every other week over a period of about a year, with the aim of encouraging them to become more established in the community in which they live.

People with chaotic or unpredictable lifestyles or who have serious issues with alcohol, drugs, physical or mental health struggle to engage with befriending services and so this project does not usually suit them.

To make a referral

- Download the list of Passing the Baton operating areas
- Download the referral form
- Send the completed referral form to ptb@bethanychristiantrust.com or post it to:

Passing the Baton
Bethany Christian Trust
65 Bonnington Road,
Edinburgh
EH6 5JQ

- We will be in touch with you once we have received your referral form.