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Over the past few months, we have been busy speaking at events across Scotland: sharing the value and impact young volunteers can make, and promoting best practice across this space. If you'd like to talk more about this in your area, get in touch!

At the start of the summer we asked our network to share that we were 'recruiting' young volunteers for the new YouthVIP Panel and boy did you help spread the word! The result was a mind-blowing 77 applications! This is more than any other year of running this campaign! We'd like to say a huge thank you to those of you who shared this opportunity with your own communities of young people!

After a careful application process, we have been able to offer 25 outstanding young people from across Scotland the opportunity to join the panel. These YouthVIP panel members will come together regularly to meet, discuss, develop and shape the next stages of this years action plan as well as getting involved in local activities when they can. We will be sharing more of this exciting news soon...

We're delighted to share dates for our highly regarded organisational training, more details can be [found here](#). If you would like to participate and learn more about getting involved with Young Volunteers and the opportunities it presents for everyone then you, your colleagues or organisation need to get booked on, these fill up really fast!

That's all for now... Team YouthVIP.

Newsletter Sep / Oct 24

#YouthVIP

Welcome back to the YouthVIP bi-monthly newsletter, how quickly time flies!

As we head into colder & darker nights we thought we would warm you up with our Sep/Oct 24 newsletter, **HOT** (see what we did there!) off the press and exclusive for you!

It's been another super-busy past 2 months so, lets get you up to speed with everything that's been going on...

Our youth volunteering survey 2024 is currently live! We are looking to engage with as many Young People as possible to find out their experiences around volunteering and benchmark against the original Young Person's survey which was carried out 5 years ago...We want to find out what is different, and how can we capture, share and act on these results from the survey to continue improving the sustainability and accessibility of youth volunteering opportunities for young people across Scotland. If you haven't already done so, please share this link <https://surveys.young.scot/s/XUZD2M/> with as many Young People, partners, funders and organisations who work with and involve Young People as possible, thank you!!

After the 'live launch' of the schools resource toolkit, you can access this fantastic resource via the link [YouthVIP: Youth Volunteering Schools Resource | YouthLink Scotland](#) and if you missed the event itself you will be able to watch it back on the YouthVIP website, soon.

The YouthVIP panel themselves have been so busy since induction day. They are heavily involved and driving everything that we do. The questions in the Survey, the video and personal representation in the Schools Resource Toolkit launch, several focus groups, videos, photos and text for all campaigns as well as getting involved with outside organisations has all been of their creation! If you would like to discuss how the panel could support some of your local work and campaigns, please do get in touch!

As a team we have also been out and about and getting involved within the local community with talks and presentations at Clackmannanshire Third Sector Interface (CTSI) and Fife Voluntary Action (FVA) where we introduced the YouthVIP programme, services and training available to a more localised level of organisations interested in developing their own Young People in and into volunteering effectively creating their very own Community of Practices as they get involved. If you feel this is for you, please do not hesitate to get in touch and ask us to come along and have a chat with yourselves and the partner organisations you work closely with.

Lastly, the next round of training is available to book. There is a lot of continued sharing and learnings at these fantastic sessions. If you haven't already booked on and / or shared the sessions available then please do so whilst you can as the spaces are filling up quickly, booking via this link <https://www.youthvip.scot/events-and-training>

That's all for now...

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