

Press Release

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Exam success for GOAL Ladies!

Go-Woman! Alliance Community Interest Company (GOAL) were delighted at eight of their students achieving Functional skills Entry Level 1 in English, after completing the first year of *English My Way* programme.

English My Way is a project organised by the Tinder Foundation, BBC Learning and The British Council and is funded by the Department for Communities and Local Government's.

English My Way focusses on supporting adults with no or low levels of English to better integrate with their local communities. The programme uses blended learning approach, combining expert online and offline content. It integrates English language learning with digital skills, improving the opportunities available to those who benefit from the programme.

In its first year of delivery, GOAL worked with over 90 women who were below Entry Level 1, supporting them in developing basic language skills. "For GOAL, progression is a key to self development. With this in mind our staff worked hard with these learners and offered extra support to those wishing not only to progress to Entry Level 1 but to sit Entry Level 1 exam, to help them get exam ready. We are delighted that 8 out of 9 learners entered for the exam, many of whom have never set an exam before passed with flying colours with one requiring to retake just one paper to complete her qualification," said Yasmin Akhtar, project manager at the group.

"These exam results re-enforce our ethos of developing people, ensuring that they see progression in their learning, inspiring them to move towards a better future. These learners have now moved onto the next level and are being supported in their studies to progress to Entry Level 2.

As we proceed to delivering the second year of this programme we hope to see more exam successes next year with our next cohort of learners."

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Notes to editors

About Go-Woman! Alliance CIC

GOAL strives to work with individuals, to provide provisions in both formal and informal learning opportunities throughout their lives, in order to foster the continuous development and improvement of the knowledge and skills needed for employment / self-employment and personal fulfillment.

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