

# Clinks

Supporting voluntary organisations that work with  
offenders and their families

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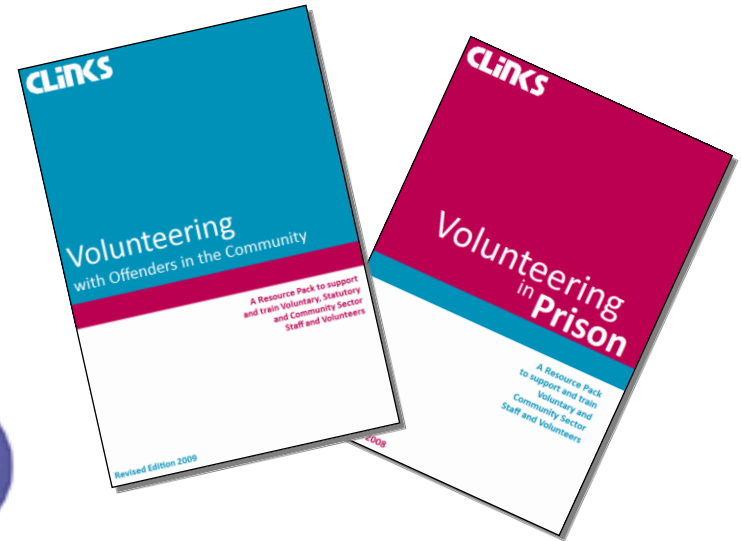
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# About Clinks

- Clinks is a national infrastructure organisation that supports the work that voluntary and community sector (VCS) organisations undertake within the Criminal Justice System (CJS) of England and Wales.
- Our vision is to see an independent, vibrant and well resourced Voluntary and Community Sector, working in partnership to promote the rehabilitation of offenders.

The logo for Clinks, featuring the word "CLINKS" in a bold, white, sans-serif font. The letter "i" is lowercase and has a dot. The logo is set against a blue background.

# Services & Products



# *Punishment and Rehabilitation*

- Prison is the most expensive punishment
- Reserved for the most dangerous offenders?
- Community punishments have less social costs and equal effectiveness
- Recent research shows £1 investment in rehabilitation saves £10 in offending
- Costs of re-conviction £60,000 per offender

# Why the voluntary sector?

- Tradition
- Effectiveness
- Needs based
- Community and all its parts
- The role of the State – and Civil Society

# What is done?

- Activity and its relevance to the offender
- Consistent personal support
- Flexible Structure
- Hope and confidence in people

# The Issues.

- The management of risk – personal, community, reputation
- The journey to rehabilitation
- Social scepticism about deserving and non deserving causes
- Mission drift

## The rewards.

- Energetic and creative people
- Addressing deep seated social issues
- Developing an organisation value base that helps others
- Doing what we in the sector should be doing!

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