

The Worshipful Company of Glovers of London

CPC Charity Summary

Homeless Charities

The Whitechapel Mission

[Whitechapel Mission - homeless shelter in London, offering free food, showers, clothing and advice](#)

The Whitechapel Mission serves those caught in the cycles of poverty, homelessness and addiction. It operates 365 days a year, and provides a cooked breakfast, showers and clothing, and offers individual training and support to help its clients find employment, a home and a meaningful place in society. The Glovers provide knitted, household and clinical gloves, as well as volunteering in the day centre.

The Passage

[Together, we can prevent and end homelessness in London. \(passage.org.uk\)](#)

The Passage's mission is to work against street homelessness by providing medical and mental health care, employment training, hot meals, showers and clean clothing in an all-round support network to help people find a sustainable route off the streets. The Glovers provide knitted, household and clinical gloves, and also gardening gloves for the community garden project, where Passage clients and staff with local homeowners and businesses work together to beautify their surroundings.

Providence Row

[Providence Row | Home](#)

Providence Row supports people affected by homelessness in East London. Through its employment and progression scheme it offers its clients mental and physical healthcare and works with them to build skills and confidence. It runs accredited courses in gardening in its rooftop garden, supplying fresh produce to its kitchen, as well as IT and employment skills training. The Glovers provide gardening, knitted, household and clinical gloves to support its services.

The Manna Society

[The Manna Society – Running a Day Centre for homeless people near London Bridge](#)

The Manna Society is in London Bridge and provides breakfast, lunch, showers and clothing, as well as housing and welfare advice, medical care and access to computers. The Glovers provide knitted, household and clinical gloves.

The Pace Centre, Aylesbury

[Pace Homepage - Pace \(thepacecentre.org\)](#)

Pace was established in 1990 to support children with cerebral palsy and their families. It now operates a primary and secondary school, delivers support services to local schools and is developing its digital provision to have a national reach. Pace supports hundreds of children with neurodisabilities and their families, providing

education, physical, speech and language and occupational therapy. Pace is rated Outstanding by Ofsted: “Pupils thrive at the excellent school; they are upbeat, determined and joyous.” The Glovers provide Pace with its clinical gloves for personal care.

Shoreditch Trust

www.shoreditchtrust.org.uk

Shoreditch Trust has over 22 years’ experience and specialist expertise in designing and implementing community-based health and wellbeing programmes; supporting communities in Hackney and neighbouring boroughs to improve their health and wellbeing, develop social networks, and build skills and opportunities for meaningful employment. Shoreditch Trust’s Health and Wellbeing programme supports people to make positive life choices and to take up opportunities to improve emotional, physical and social wellbeing. Their focus is on working with people who experience health, economic and social inequality, including women in pregnancy and early parenthood, young people not in education or work who are at risk, stroke survivors, socially isolated older people and those experiencing long term health and social issues. There is a social enterprise café, open to the public, where the three full time chefs provide professional training to young people (16-19 years) old who are not in full time education or employment.

As well as catering gloves, warm gloves and mittens for adults, children and babies are donated by The Glovers.

The Connection at St Martin’s

www.connection-at-stmartins.org.uk

The Connection at St Martin’s works with people who are rough sleeping to help them move away from, and stay off, the streets of London. The focus is on working alongside people as they recover from life on the streets and move towards a meaningful, fulfilling future. There is no ‘one size fits all’ approach to tackling homelessness – everyone is unique. Everybody can leave homelessness behind, but recovery from homelessness is often a very long process, and can be full of stops and starts. The Connection builds trusting relationships and offer services that build confidence and self-belief to support people every step of the way.

As well as gloves for use in catering and cleaning, The Glovers donate warm and waterproof gloves for those living on the streets.

Support to Gloving

Queen Mother’s Clothing Guild

www.qmcg.org.uk

The Queen Mother’s Clothing Guild provides new clothing and bedding to those in need across the country: refuges for women and children escaping domestic violence, hostels supporting ex-servicemen and women, neonatal units, hospices and centres providing care for the elderly and frail. The QMCG specialises in giving handmade and new, rather than second-hand clothing and bedding, and the Glovers make a donation each year for the purchase of whatever gloves the Guild deems most needed by the 60 charities it supports.

Build Up

<https://www.buildup.org.uk/>

Build Up runs practical construction projects for young people aged 10 – 23 to design and build structures in their local communities; giving young people the opportunity to run and manage construction sites, make real decisions and see the real-life impact they can have. Working locally in schools, community centres and playgrounds, Build Up enables young people to take on roles and skills they never have had access to before.

Prosthetic Hand Projects

For a number of years, the Worshipful Company of Glovers has provided funding for prosthetic arms for amputees and people with upper limb differences who are unable to afford life-changing assistive technology.

The Glovers support Koalaa's Project Limitless www.yourkoalaa.com/; which aims to provide every child in the UK who needs one with a Koalaa package free of charge, helping children achieve day to day independence, and enjoyment of everyday activities from sports to music to art and beyond.

The Glovers have also supported a number of projects with the Open Bionics Foundation including part funding three children with a bionic arm.

openbionics.com/open-bionics-foundation/

Livery Food Initiative

<https://cityharvest.org.uk/livery-food-initiative/>

Livery Food Initiative is a collaboration of several Livery companies which works with City Harvest, a charity that solves food waste and food poverty across London.

Every week, it rescues over 100 tonnes of surplus food from the food industry. Staff and volunteers sort and package this food in depots including their 13,000-square-foot Acton warehouse, and their vans deliver it, free of charge, to their network of 375+ community partners across London. Providing 1.1 million monthly meals to Londoners in need.

Thames Hospice

www.thameshospice.org.uk/

Thames Hospice is a charity supporting people living in East Berkshire and South Buckinghamshire. It provides expert nursing and medical care, giving emotional and practical support for adults who have illnesses from which they are not expected to recover. The free of charge care and support extends to family, friends and carers: in the Hospice; at the Community Therapy Unit and in patients' homes, 365 days a year. The Hospice run a Lymphoedema clinic which The worshipful company of Glovers supports by providing bespoke gloves, which can return dexterity to the hand and relieve pain.

Waterloo Uncovered

waterloouncovered.com/

Waterloo Uncovered was established in 2015, the Battle of Waterloo's bicentenary, to undertake the first major excavation of the battlefield and support serving personnel and veterans in their recovery, education and return (transition) to civilian

life. The charity includes education and welfare as charitable objectives, and encourages multinational collaboration.

The Charity runs various Veteran support programmes which places a strong emphasis on improving mental wellbeing and an opportunity to re-engage with the military community and to explore the historical context of the Battle of Waterloo in ways which may resonate with their own military experience.

The Battlefields Uncovered programme is a collaboration with Utrecht University offering participants the chance to gain academic credits.

The Worshipful Company of Glovers support Waterloo Uncovered with a variety of types of gloves, which are used for the archaeological excavation at Waterloo.

Harington Scheme

www.harington.org.uk

The Harington Scheme provides a unique learning experience for young people and adults with learning disabilities and/or difficulties to help them into employment, further education or a more rewarding life through appropriate learning opportunities. Students can work toward qualifications and develop their skills in horticulture, retail and customer service (sometimes in the Harington charity shops), employability and independent living skills.

The Glovers donate mostly gardening gloves but also nitrile gloves which can be used for more delicate gardening work and in catering and the Charity shop.

London's Air Ambulance

www.londonsairambulance.org.uk

London's Air Ambulance is the charity that delivers an advanced trauma team to London's most seriously injured patients; serving the 10 million people that live work and travel within the M25. Using a helicopter from 08:00 to sunset, and rapid response cars at night or in adverse weather situations, London's Air Ambulance brings the hospital to the patient when time is critical. They perform innovative and potentially life-saving procedures on-scene. The team, consisting of an advanced trauma doctor, paramedic and consultant on most missions, can perform treatments such as open heart surgery, blood transfusions and general anaesthetic by the roadside.

The gloves used by the team are highly specialised as they have no idea what they will meet when they attend an incident scene. For example the gloves may need to be cut proof, chemical and fire resistant. Therefore, very unusually, in this case The Glovers donate funding to be used towards the purchase of these specialist high-spec protective gloves for use at the scene of incidents.

Spitalfields City Farm

www.spitalfieldscityfarm.org

Spitalfields City Farm is the nearest city farm to the City of London's square mile but it is located in one of the most densely populated wards of Tower Hamlets. They work with a vibrant and multi-cultural community to provide educational opportunities for children and adults alike, to empower people to gain new skills and confidence and to combat social isolation. The whole community is involved with volunteers from both the local community and City companies. The farm gives the opportunity for everyone to learn about animal welfare, where some foods come from and how to

grow vegetables. There is also an onsite café, open to the public. Many of the animals have been rescued and will live out their days at the farm as it has a no slaughter policy.

The Glovers donate catering gloves, gardening gloves and heavy duty gloves for heavy work around the farm.

Thrive

www.thrive.org.uk

Thrive are specialists in social and therapeutic horticulture (STH), which is the process of working with plants to improve physical and psychological health and communication and thinking skills. STH uses the garden as a safe and secure environment to develop an individual's ability to socialise, make friends and gain practical skills - making them more independent and self-reliant. Trained horticultural therapists use gardening tasks and the garden environment to build a set of activities for each client aimed at improving their health and wellbeing and achieving particular goals. Gardens offer outdoor spaces with the peace and tranquillity needed for rehabilitation and recovery, and the opportunity to develop an interest in gardening will give benefits that can last a lifetime. Whilst improving health and wellbeing are at the core of therapeutic horticulture, there are other benefits for people who take up gardening: developing new skills, learning about food growing and what is good to eat, boosting confidence with new-found knowledge and potentially using this knowledge to gain a qualification in horticulture and thereby gain employment. Mainly gardening gloves are donated by the Glovers, but also nitrile or latex gloves as they are useful when carrying out delicate tasks such as planting up seedlings.

Sea Change Sailing Trust

seachangesailingtrust.org.uk/

Sea Change works with groups aged 10 or older who are experiencing disruption or disadvantage in their lives. They offer sailing trips and an opportunity to participate in activities on the Mermaid, participating in activities on board such as handling sails, climbing rigging, steering and helping to prepare meals for the crew. They develop transferable skills such as communication, resilience, team working and confidence. The Glovers supply specialist sailing gloves.

Disabled Sailors Association

www.disabledsailing.org

DSA provides a range of sailing opportunities for young people with disabilities in wheelchair accessible yacht from its South Coast base. The Glovers provide specialist sailing gloves.

HighGround

highground-uk.org/

HighGround offers Horticultural Therapy programmes for those leaving the armed forces, reservists and veterans. The charity provides a link between ex- military people and employers who provide work experience and employment opportunities on farms, estates, rivers, vineyards, forest schools, smallholdings. The Worshipful Company of Glovers support HighGround with various types of gloves.

Education

Treloar's School and College (Alton, Hampshire)

www.treloar.org.uk/

"Enabling education for disabled young people"

Treloar Trust offers outstanding teaching, learning, professional care, therapy, advice and guidance so that every individual can achieve and work towards a future that is as independent as possible.

Treloar School and Treloar College offer around 170 students, aged 2 to 25 years, a specialist environment where learning takes place alongside therapy and care. The Glovers provide horticultural gloves.

National Autistic Society's Sybil Elgar School Virtual Reality and Haptic Gloves project

[Sybil Elgar \(autism.org.uk\)](http://autism.org.uk)

Sybil Elgar School (the first autism specific school to open in the UK in 1962) provides outstanding education for 95 students aged 4 – 22, all of whom have autism and many have further defined needs including learning difficulties. It is based in Southall and Acton, West London. The Glovers have, through Pat Winterton's education legacy and with further support through CPC and the Master's Fund, funded the purchase of Virtual Reality (VR) headsets and Haptic gloves, providing advanced assistive technology for students with autism at the school.

Thanks to the legacy and charitable donations by the Glovers, a unique project is now happening which is showing the way forward on assistive VR technology and haptic gloves for people with autism – a true world first!

If you would like to know more, please take a look at this lecture in the Lord Mayor's Knowledge Miles series in July 2024 - led by Marius Byleveld (our Project Lead) and Tess Steventon (Occupational Therapist). The Sybil Elgar team are sharing this important knowledge with other NAS schools and professionals as well as through the City of London <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tR3dKO8m0RM>.

London College of Fashion

[London College of Fashion | London College of Fashion \(arts.ac.uk\)](http://londoncollegeoffashion.ac.uk)

The Worshipful Company of Glovers have supported glove making workshops for some years. The course teaches students the skills of design, pattern making, construction and sewing a complete glove.

Glove making is at the heart of the Worshipful Company of Glovers; with this support, the Glovers endeavour to enable the development of glove making skills in the UK and capture the interest of university fashion students.

St Paul's Cathedral Choir School

[St Paul's Cathedral School \(spcslondon.com\)](http://spcslondon.com)

St Paul's Cathedral Choir School is a co-educational preparatory school for boys and girls aged 4 to 13 and a residential choir school for the boy choristers of St Paul's

Cathedral. It is located in the heart of the City of London and a history that can be traced back to the 12th century. The Glovers support a chorister.

King Edward's School, Witley

www.kesw.org

King Edward's Witley is based in Surrey with strong historical connections to the City of London. It is an independent boarding and day school for girls and boys aged 11 to 18. The Glovers support a pupil and award an annual prize of gloves.

City of London Academy (Islington)

www.colai.org.uk/

The Academy, which opened in 2008, is a mixed, non-selective Academy, with no religious affiliation, committed to providing excellence in education and opportunities for all. COLAI has a House system as part of its Pastoral Care. When pupils were asked to choose a Livery to be the name their House, Glovers was chosen. The Worshipful Company of Glovers present an annual prize.

Rhythm Studio Foundation

www.therhythmstudio.co.uk/foundation-1

The Rhythm Studio Foundation believes that talented young musicians deserve a chance whatever their background. They work with schools, community groups and young people who have a passion for music but lack the means and support to take it further. The Scholarship Programme The Worshipful Company of Glovers supports currently provides expert tuition to talented but financially disadvantaged students.

Sierra Leone Education and Development Trust

www.sierraleoneaid.org.uk/

The Glovers help disabled children and young people with equipment such as mobility carts, wheelchairs and bicycles so that they can attend school.

The Winchester Project

thewinch.org

The 'Winch' is a Charity based in North London working with children, young people and families. Over one year they have contact with approximately 2,000 children. It runs afterschool clubs, holiday clubs, youth clubs and curriculum enrichment in local schools. It gives transition support to primary pupils about to move to secondary school, provision for fostered and 'looked after' children, citizenship projects, support with oracy, numeracy and literacy, one to one support and mentoring for 11–18-year-olds, especially those identified at risk of exclusion from school. The Winch also undertakes outreach projects mentoring young adults in the local community.

VOCES8 – 'Sing everyday project'

voces8.foundation/education

The 'Sing Every Day' project gives the benefits of daily singing sessions to primary aged children. Singing has been shown to instil confidence and teamwork into classrooms, to improve learning outcomes and, most of all, to bring a sense of joy into lessons. The project includes teacher training for both classroom teachers and specialist music teachers so that they can continue to implement singing into the

curriculum. Projects finish with an opportunity for participating children to perform a concert alongside VOCES8 or Apollo5. The Glovers are currently supporting this programme at a primary school in Hackney.

One Handed Musical Instrument Trust

www.ohmi.org.uk/

The OHMI Trust's driving objective is to remove barriers to music-making faced by people living with an upper limb difference. Very few musical instruments can be played without ten dextrous figures. This denies unlimited and undifferentiated participation in musical life to those with congenital disabilities, as well as the millions who may have been injured, suffered a stroke, or amputation, developed arthritis or, for whatever reason, lack the strength and control of their upper limbs.

Yet the primary barrier to music is not disability itself; rather the absence of suitably designed instruments.

OHMI deals with this by developing musical instruments adapted to each individual, together with an instrument hire scheme and offering music lessons with specialist local teachers (often trained by OHMI). In addition OHMI research into the best adaptations and are currently trialling new 3D printed versions of some instruments. The work of OHMI ties in closely with the Glovers' support for prosthetics and therefore a donation has been made to OHMI.

Other Charities supported

Tanzania Rural Revival

tanzaniaruralrevival.org.uk/

TRR works in Makete in rural Tanzania. The Glovers provide much needed medical gloves to the Hospital.

St. Margaret Lothbury

stml.org.uk/

St Margaret Lothbury is a Church of England parish church on Lothbury in the City of London; it spans the boundary between Coleman Street Ward and Broad Street Ward. St Margaret's hosts the Glovers' annual Master Installation service and annual Carol Service.

Sheriffs' and Recorders' Fund

www.sr-fund.org/

The Sheriffs' and Recorders Fund gives small grants to ex-prisoners and their families in London, to help them stop offending and start a new life. It also gives large grants to prison-based charitable schemes which work towards the rehabilitation of ex-prisoners.

British Red Cross

www.redcross.org.uk

The British Red Cross is the UK body of the worldwide, neutral and impartial humanitarian network The International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement. They provide help to people in crisis, both in the UK and overseas, regardless of ethnic origin, nationality, political beliefs or religion. The Glovers have a glove stall at the Guildhall Christmas Market which is the largest fundraising event for the British Red Cross.

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