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### **Musical Instruments Needed**

**Worthing Churches Homeless Projects** are looking for donations of any secondhand musical instruments that are in working order. Karen Hart, Homelessness Prevention Officer for the charity said 'Many of our clients do like to play instruments like the guitar and keyboard, but sadly once they have moved into their own accommodation they can not afford to buy one. If we could obtain some instruments which we could give to them it would be brilliant.'

Worthing Churches Homeless Projects works hard to encourage clients to obtain volunteering, study or work opportunities, but they also like to ensure that their clients have hobbies and interests to occupy them when they are getting ready to move into their own accommodation. The Project Workers at WCHP see this as an important part of the clients' rehabilitation which can help them to settle, providing them with a new outlook on life. Obviously finance is always a constraint, so anyway in which they can entertain themselves which doesn't cost too much is a benefit.

If anyone has an instrument which they would be prepared to donate, they should contact the Fundraising Team on 01903 227829, email [info@wchp.org.uk](mailto:info@wchp.org.uk).

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### **Any questions?**

Call: Sue on 01903 227828

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### **Further Information:**

Worthing Churches Homeless Projects (WCHP) started in 1991 when four local Christians took soup, blankets and sleeping bags to the seafront to offer to local homeless people. Today this vital Christian charity has 40 staff members and over 250 volunteers who enable WCHP to provide a range of services, on 4 sites

offering opportunities to homeless people to regain independence. Last year we worked with just over 450 individuals.

The work undertaken by Worthing Churches Homeless Projects is crucial. People using the services receive the specialist support they need to enable them to take the first steps back to independent living... As with many other homeless charities, last year brought a cut of 30% in Government funding to WCHP, making the support of local people even more important. If every person living in Worthing were to donate just £10 per year the services would be secure.