



Restore

providing homes - giving hope
www.restoreyork.co.uk | office@restoreyork.co.uk

Who we are

Restore (York) Ltd provides housing and support for people in York who would otherwise be homeless. The charity began in 2010 in response to the need in the city for suitable homes for people leaving emergency housing provision, who were not ready for an unsupported tenancy. Restore has a Christian ethos but provides for anyone in need without prejudice and aims to provide a home for as long as it is needed.

Restore started started when two men in York independently contacted Green Pastures Housing in the same week. They were encouraged to meet up and as a result called a meeting to explore the possibility of founding a charity to help homeless people in the city. From the meeting a board of directors was formed, volunteers enlisted and prayer support encouraged. Within a year they were negotiating for the first house. A few months later it was fully occupied. It was, and still is, a venture of faith by people who believe that Jesus Christ has given them this work to do.

The Board of Directors is made up of people drawn from a number of churches in York with a valuable range of experience and skills.

Our main partner in this project is Green Pastures Housing. We lease properties from them (and other landlords) and manage them on behalf of the people who need support.

What we do

*Staffing

The project is run by professionally employed staff and volunteers who work to deliver support plans for our tenants. Volunteers are given initial training and guidelines before they start work with us.

Other support comes from people who can help with practical jobs and the initial setting up of the houses.

*Tenants

Tenants are referred to us by front line agencies, churches and individuals in the city. Each person is interviewed and if they are suitable for a tenancy with Restore (York) they are given an estimate of when we hope to house them. A support plan is drawn up with them when they move in and they have regular visits from our staff and volunteers.

- Give financially
- Give time as a volunteer supporting and befriending tenants or offering DIY skills in the houses.

- Pray

- Visit our website for regular updates

How you can be involved

- Provide goods - furniture, household items etc - the needs vary from house to house.

- Invite a representative of Restore to speak at an event in your church or organisation.

- Add your name to our mailing list