

Volunteering is the golden thread

How Manchester City Council, The Manchester NHS Clinical Commissioning Group, Universities and Greater Sport are Using Technology to Enable Volunteers to Build Stronger Communities

Why bother with volunteers?

Depending on who you believe volunteering is worth anywhere from £40 Billion to £200 Billion annually to the UK economy.

> https://nfpsynergy.net/free-report/facts-and-figures-volunteering and www.bankofengland.co.uk/publications/Pages/speeches/default.aspx

Question 1:

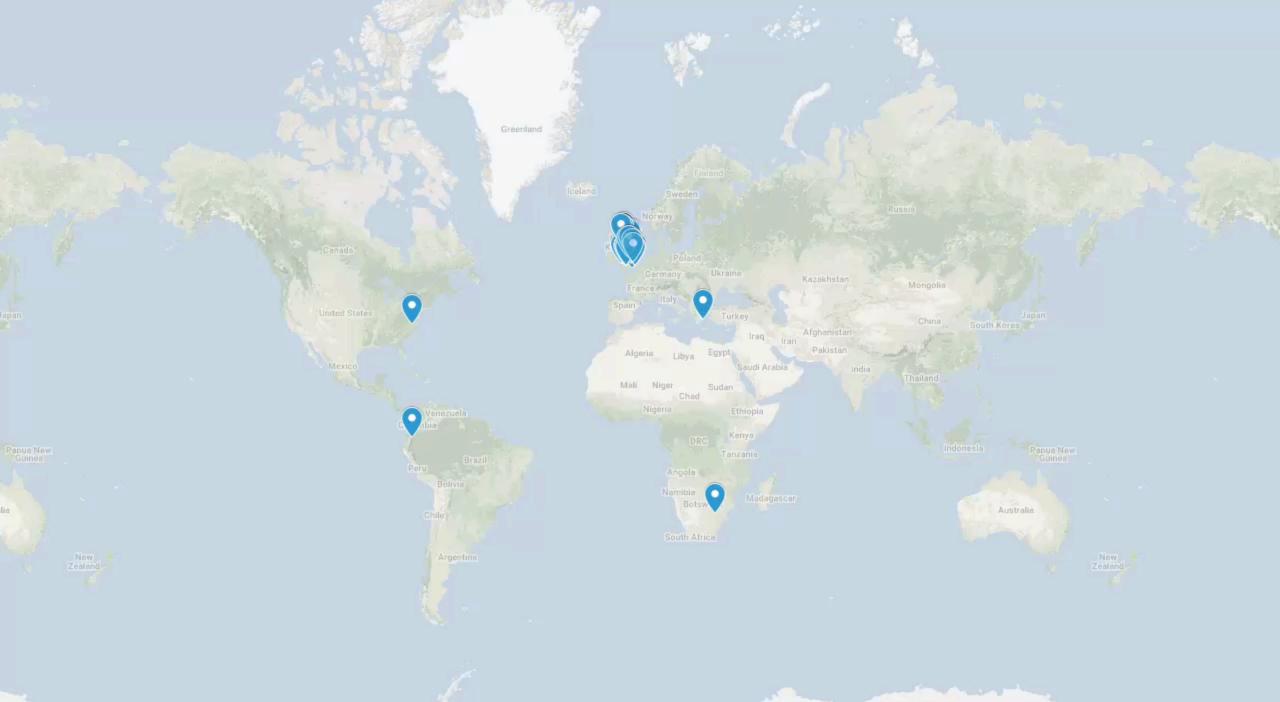
Who in the room, over the last 12 months, has given their time freely in support of a charity, sporting organisations or other voluntary sector organisation?

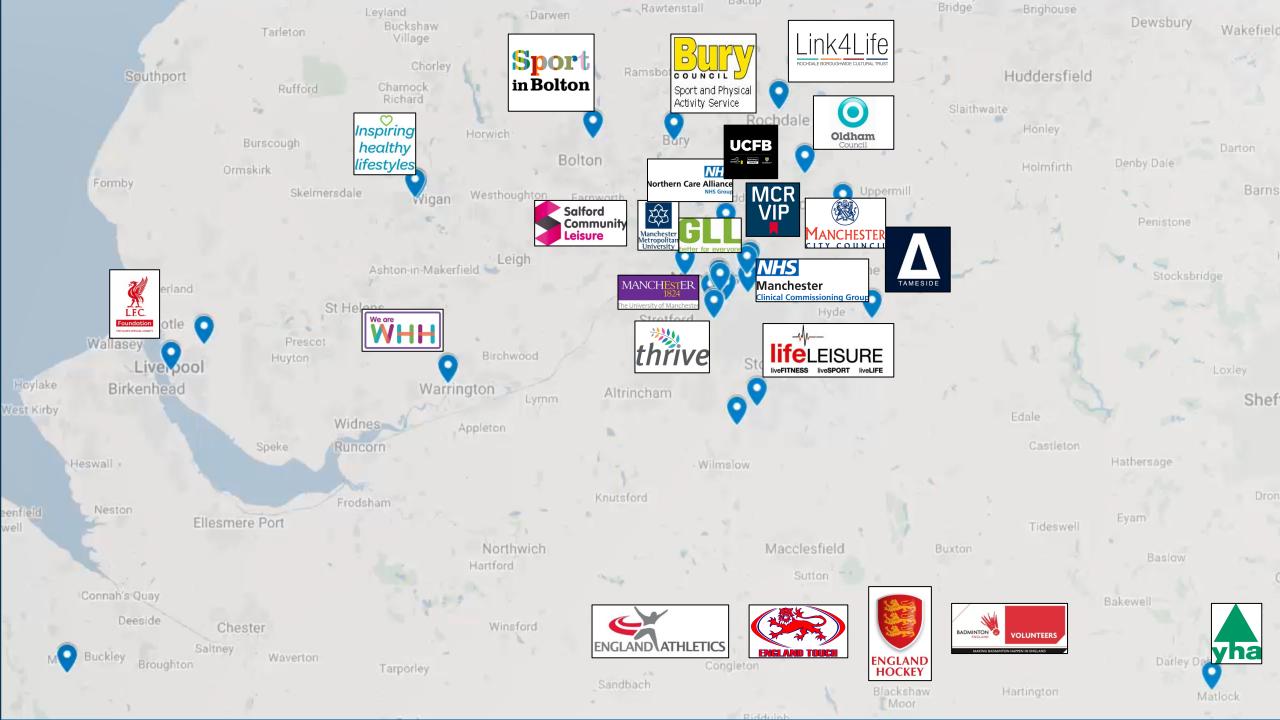
Yes, I have
No, I have not
Not sure?

Question 2:

If you had to sign post some one who wanted to volunteer where would you send them to?

1.	No idea
2.	The internet
3.	My club or organisation I'm involved in
4.	The local authority
5.	Other





What do the numbers say?

9000 active volunteers in Greater Manchester

Over half a million hours of verified voluntary action across all our systems in the north west.

23% report volunteering for multiple organisations

18% report regular volunteering

We think we are just getting started!

Rule no 1 of Volunteer Management: If you don't ask for help you won't get any!



Rule no 2 of Volunteer Management:

Be clear and explicit about what you want your people to do. People don't like to commit to open ended tasks.



Rule no 3 of Volunteer Management:

Make it as easy as possible for people to get involved and ensure they have a great experience



Rule no 4 of Volunteer Management:

Say thank you, recognise their hard work and accomplishments and tell your volunteers what they mean to you and your organisation.

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