How to apply

"Amber is a great opportunity for young people to make positive, meaningful and lasting changes to their lives…."

Jayne Lillis, Young Person's Drug, Alcohol & Homelessness Worker

If you want to:

- Take control of your life
- Rediscover your potential
- Develop your skills and experience
- Make new friends
- Have fun
- Find a job
- Move on successfully

…then get in touch!

We welcome self-referrals and referrals from professionals or family members across the UK. We currently work with a wide variety of statutory agencies, probation, drug and alcohol recovery services, housing associations, local authority leaving care teams etc.

Please contact us to discuss our referral process and criteria in more detail. We can also arrange a visit to see if Amber is the right choice for you.

Amber's centres

Downsview, Willesborough Road, Kennington, Ashford, Kent, TN24 9QP

Farm Place, Stane Street, Ockley, Surrey, RH5 5NG

Bythesea Lodge, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, BA14 8HR

Ashley Court, Chawleigh, Devon, EX18 7EX

"Amber gives you the one thing in life that everybody needs – regardless of their background – hope. Hope and opportunity."

Support us

There are many ways you can support Amber's work. One-off or regular donations, taking part in fundraising events and volunteering can all make a huge difference. Contact us **fundraising@amberweb.org**

Donate

£25 could pay for enough food to feed a young person for a week.

£50 could pay for a counselling session for a young person to help them identify what is holding them back.

£200 could pay for the delivery of an AQA accredited workshop, helping young people gain a skill they need for employment or independent living.

To find out more, make a referral or refer yourself please visit our website **amberweb.org.**

Or contact us
0800 652 1081
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transforming lives



Are you….

Struggling to find work?

Homeless, sofa surfing or need accommodation?

Aged 18-30?

Call 0800 652 1081
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Why choose Amber?

We are an independent charity offering a fresh start to young people struggling to move forward positively. We support young people to transform their lives and move on from our service into employment or education and training, plus a safe, secure place to call home. We do this by:

- **Offering a temporary but safe place to live**, away from negative peer groups, at one of our supported housing centres. Each centre houses 25 – 30 young people in shared accommodation. They are located in Devon, Wiltshire, Surrey and Kent but you do not need a local connection to stay with us.
- **Providing person centred support** designed to encourage you to build the motivation you need to re-evaluate your life and plan for a better, brighter future.
- **Working in a team to build** your self-esteem and improve your wellbeing. We will focus on your strengths and interests, setting goals that will enable you to move on to a job or education or training and most importantly a stable home.

Over the last ten years over 70% of the young people at Amber moved on from Amber successfully into sustainable accommodation and secured a job or a place in education or training or having achieved a major goal.

"I tried other services and support but they didn't help. Coming to Amber is what I needed."

What to expect

"The Amber staff are amazing -they want the best for everyone and treat everyone like individuals."

We work in small teams and focus on four key areas. These are employment, health and wellbeing, independent living, and fun and participation. Based around a core weekly timetable, our staff deliver a programme of workshops and activities that include:

- Life skills such as cooking, cleaning plus tenancy and financial management
- Core educational skills and practical qualifications
- Peer support and access to counselling
- Creative projects involving art, music, film and drama
- Sport and exercise
- Giving back, community engagement and volunteering
- Work experience, CV writing and mock interviews
- Move on support

Our centres are activity-orientated, with plenty going on, so there is something for everyone. Everyone has a daily task and teams take turns to cook for the whole house. We have some house rules and a pretty tight structure to the working week. This is to keep you safe, on track and help you thrive.





Who can apply

- Age 18-30 (any gender)
- Unemployed
- Homeless, sofa surfing, insecurely housed or at risk of becoming homeless

If you are 18-30 unemployed, homeless (or at risk of becoming so) and don't know where to turn, Amber may be the next step you need.

You may have fallen out with your family or are fleeing an abusive relationship. Perhaps you have just left care or prison and need some support. You may be trying to recover from a drug or alcohol addiction. Whatever the reason, a stay at an Amber centre could be your way forward.

Amber will only work if you want it to. If you are committed to taking control of your life and making the most of the opportunities we offer, please get in touch to find out more.

"So what was it that actually changed me? Well my team leader for one! He wasn't just a worker, he was my inspiration. He helped me deal with my debts, open a bank account, build family bonds back up and pushed me to follow my dreams. Above all he believed in me."