

Our Home Our Salford

A historical overview

- The event, Our Home Our Salford was organised for December 2012 with the initial aim to collect basic necessities of food and clothing for refugees and people seeking asylum to sustain life at the most basic level.
- To give student social workers an understanding of community action Salford Forum for Refugees and People Seeking Asylum were invited to address the social work students in September 2012
- This conference has grown from this initial event to both sustain and maintain the links already made between the university and a wide range of different community groups.
- The event was hosted by the University of Salford and supported by Professor Martin Hall, Vice Chancellor, University of Salford
- The University of Salford continues with their commitment to community engagement, which has led to today's event.

The aim of this conference is to bring together community members and groups to affect change. Change not only in attitudes and perceptions of others, but also change in how we actively engage with one another for the communal good.

The University is committed to playing an active role in Salford community life. Our Home Our Salford is designed to regenerate this goal. We hope this conference will inspire you to work in unity with a wide range of community members to improve life chances and life experiences for all.

Our Home Our Salford organisers:

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"I was really touched with our guest speakers. I cannot seem to get their experiences out of my mind. I feel as a large group we could all contribute food, clothes, and possibly fundraise. It is sad in today's society that we can still have this poverty, neglect and discrimination." Social work student, 2012