

GATEWAY AWARD

at Southwark Resource Centre

A personal development programme for young adults aged 19-25 with an EHCP



LIFESTYLE | FITNESS | HOBBIES | VOLUNTEERING | CHALLENGE

WHAT IS THE GATEWAY AWARD?



The Gateway Award at Southwark Resource Centre is a personal development programme for young adults with a learning disability. It is based on Mencap's Gateway Award, a national award similar in structure to the Duke of Edinburgh Award.

The programme acts as a gateway to adulthood, with a strong emphasis on personal development, daily living skills, independence and engagement in community life.

Delivery follows a standard **38-week academic year**, with half term breaks in-line with local colleges. Provision runs for **4 days per week** for 6.5 hours per day.

WHO IS IT FOR?



The programme is for young adults aged 19-25 with an Education, Health & Care Plan (EHCP). There are two gateways:

Employability Gateway

For young adults with a mild to moderate learning disability who aspire to volunteering or paid work.

Community Gateway

For young adults who require more support in order to achieve their educational and personal development goals.

CURRICULUM

The curriculum is based around 5 modules with activities tailored to the needs and aspirations of each young person.

The programme incorporates core skills development including functional literacy and numeracy throughout all modules (both in centre-based activity and when out in the community).

Progress and evidence is captured via an online Gateway Award tracking platform with certificates issued on completion of each module.

Lifestyle

Young people learn vital life skills to support them in their preparation for adulthood such as cookery, travel training and money skills.

Fitness

Young people are supported to get active and participate in activities such as yoga, team sports and gym sessions.

Hobbies

Young people are supported to develop new or existing interests that they can continue into adulthood. This may include art, music or joining special interest groups in the community.

Volunteering

Young people are supported to volunteer in a role that reflects their interests and aspirations. This could be individual or group volunteering.

The Gateway Challenge

Young people are supported to set themselves a challenge that they work towards throughout the year.

ABOUT SOUTHWARK RESOURCE CENTRE

Southwark Resource Centre is a fully accessible, purpose-built community venue, run by Southwark Council. It is located off the Walworth Road, on the edge of Burgess Park and is the home of Southwark's Wellbeing Hub, Disability Hub and other services for adults with physical and learning disabilities.

It has a range of multi-purpose areas including an art studio, accessible kitchen and therapy rooms. Its onsite café is staffed and managed by supported employment organisation, Care Trade.

The Gateway Award is delivered from Southwark Resource Centre and a second community-based satellite site.



Southwark Resource Centre

FIND OUT MORE

If you are interested in the Gateway Award at Southwark Resource Centre speak to your EHCP coordinator.

For more information or to arrange a visit contact the team on the details below.

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