

SUPPORTING STEM EDUCATION AND STEM CAREERS IN THE WEST MIDLANDS



HELLO FROM OUR CEO

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The Millennium Point Charitable Trust prides itself on offering fantastic STEM-related initiatives, awarding in excess of £30 million to charities, schools, and community groups to champion science, technology, engineering and maths projects across the West Midlands region.

Our STEM Grants scheme forms a core part of our strategy to end STEM poverty and enhance education. In addition to this our annual Scholarship funds one young person an undergraduate degree at Birmingham City University.

Abbie Vlahakis | CEO of Millennium Point

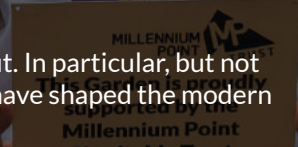


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OUR CHARITABLE MISSION

The Millennium Point Charitable Trust owns the landmark Millennium Point building in the Eastside of Birmingham city centre. Some of our profits from our commercial activity as a landlord and award-winning events venue are invested by the charitable trust into projects, events and initiatives which support the growth of science, technology, engineering, and maths (STEM) and education in the West Midlands.

Our mission is simple, to advance education for the public benefit. In particular, but not exclusively, in the industrial and technological processes which have shaped the modern world and will shape the future world.



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GRANTS

Millennium Point Charitable Trust provides funding annually to not-for-profit organisations, schools, and colleges across the West Midlands Combined Authority area. Applicants can apply for up to £20,000 to fund their STEM-related project subject to meeting the eligibility criteria and demonstrating a measurable impact in STEM education.

On average, annually we provide £385.7K a year to schools for projects. To date, we have provided £3.4m in grant funding to over 160 schools and not-for-profit organisations in the region.

We have seen the rewarding outcome of past projects such as an Automatic Weather Station, Sensational Science interactive workshops and teaching code to bring robots to life with the Aston Villa Foundation.



Funding for up to £20k



Enhancing STEM education in the region



Supported over 160 schools and not-for-profit organisations

SCHOLARSHIP

Annually, we provide funding for Scholarships for an undergraduate degree, in partnership with Birmingham City University. The Scholarship programme is aimed at students who are looking to start careers in industries for the Built Environment, Computing, Digital Technology and Engineering.

There are over 20 courses to choose from. Previous winners have included 37-year-old, mother of 5, Asima, who went on to study Planning, and Sagal who has since gone on to graduate with a First-Class Honours degree in Civil Engineering. More recently, Hatem, who was a student studying an Extended Diploma in IT (Network and Security) is now achieving his dream of studying Computer Science at University.

The Millennium Point Trust is working on a number of resources and programmes to support schools, parents and industry. Please get in touch if you would like to help change the futures of students in the region and to become ambassadors of STEM.



20+

Choose from over 20 university courses

NO FEES

University tuition fees fully paid for

OPPORTUNITIES

Opportunities to develop employment and leadership skills

ACTIVITIES

Being an award-winning venue in the middle of Birmingham has allowed us to support other charities and give them the space to host their events as well as our own.

To celebrate the Commonwealth Games, Millennium Point welcomed more than 1,000 school children from 28 schools across the region. They took part in a range of activities, workshops, and talks delivered by a host of organisations and personalities from the world of sport and science.

Previously, we hosted St Basils BIG Sleepout, with the aim to raise funds to help end youth homelessness. Approximately 300 people took part, including Millennium Point's CEO, Abbie Vlahakis. St Basils managed to raise £30,213 which was a fantastic achievement! Every £5 raised will help house an at-risk youth for just one night, this means that St Basils can continue their life changing work.

We have also hosted the Fire & Ice Walk for best-loved charities, Acorns Children's Hospice and LoveBum with the aim to raise money. The atmosphere in the building was amazing inside and out with activities such as a DJ, face painting, balloon modelling and a circus workshop that was enjoyed by all that participated. The Millennium Point team also took part and braved the Ice Walk to help raise further funds for the charities. From this event their Just Giving page raised an amazing £25,222!



ROUNDTABLE

The Millennium Point Charitable Trust has formed a STEM Roundtable where schools, universities and STEM learning providers work together to improve STEM education and STEM as a career choice within the West Midlands. They are currently working on programmes that support teacher training and development.

What is the purpose of the group?

- > To provide a platform for support and communication – Facilitating the sharing of ideas and cross-collaboration for the development of STEM projects
- > To shape the future of STEM learning – Starting in the West Midlands (and eventually expanding across the UK), we want to take affirmative action which creates positive change in STEM education and industry.
- > To reverse current negative STEM trends to bridge the skills gap to ensure every child has an opportunity to study for and take up a STEM career.
- > To increase home grown talent to create a legacy which will nurture local and national talent, which allows the UK to be a major competitor on the global stage.

For more information on how you can get involved please visit:
millenniumpoint.org.uk/trust



OUR DONATIONS

The Millennium Point Charitable Trust is proud to have provided assistance in excess of £30 million to champion science, technology, engineering and maths projects across the West Midlands region.

Our charitable mission is to be recognised as a leader in the promotion of education and careers in STEM, kick starting young people's career choices and giving schools the support to further enhance education for pupils.

Below is a breakdown of the donations we have made year on year.

2018/19
£470,419.60

2019/20
£599,139.68

2020/21
£338,750.00

2021/22
£387,800.00



SCHOLARSHIP FUNDING
2019/20: **£23,750.00**
2020/21: **£16,650.00**
2021/22: **£11,100.00**

HOW TO FIND US



BY FOOT

Millennium Point is a 10 minute walk from the city centre.



BY TRAIN

Less than 1 mile from Moor Street, New Street and Snow Hill Stations.



BY CAR

Easily accessible from the M6, M5 and M42. Located opposite a multi-storey car park.



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