Bridges out of Poverty Glasgow offer programmes & workshops that strengthen understanding in relation to the dynamics that cause & maintain poverty. Based on an empowerment tool (that is used worldwide!) we offer a unique understanding of economic diversity that can up-skill individuals, organisations, and communities for new and empowering ways of solving problems.

Our Model

We work with professional staff who take part on our Bridges Workshops

We work with local people by engaging them on our Getting Ahead Programme

We provide a safe space for local people & professional staff to come together & work shoulder-to-shoulder to solve community problems at our Bridges Steering Committee.

Bridges Workshops:

Professional staff can often be unaware of the “hidden rules” that govern many aspects of life for the poor. People in poverty are often in survival mode & support systems taken for granted in middle class & wealth are largely non-existent. If your organisation works with people from poverty, a deeper understanding of their challenges – & strengths – helps you partner with them to create opportunities for success.

On our workshops you will find yourself exploring poverty through a different lens. You will look at case studies, analysis, helpful exercises, tools and specific solutions you and your organisation can start implementing right away.

Completion of workshops also includes an ongoing invitation to the quarterly Bridges Steering Committee Meeting. Here organisations and communities work together to break down barriers in structure & policy that prevent people in poverty from making progress.

Learning Outcomes:

- Redesign programmes & evaluation processes to better serve the people you work with
- Gaining new & strengthening existing skill sets in relation to empowering and motivational ways of working.
- Gain confidence in how we (both individually & collaboratively!) can help empower local people to transition out of poverty & build sustainable communities.
- Learn the challenges and strategies to effectively collaborate with other organisations
- Engage, connect with & learn from people in poverty & other local organisations
- Increase the likelihood of moving from welfare to work
- Develop new & effective strategies for your organisation &/or community
- Learn how to tailor a proven model for addressing poverty to suit your organisations needs
Attend a Bridges Workshop

Organisations worldwide use Bridges Out of Poverty constructs to train their employees and guide policy making in order to improve their ability to support individuals in poverty.

We have a comprehensive approach

- We engage & learn from people in poverty.
- We help design pathways to economic self-sufficiency & well-rounded lives by engaging organisations from all sectors.
- Communities that embrace Bridges can re-organise to focus on helping people get out of poverty.

What people are saying:

“After 20 years and millions spent, we hadn’t moved the needle on poverty in our community. Bridges constructs are the only thing I see working, and they are working in every community that is willing to embrace them wholeheartedly.”

“The information was hugely relevant to my work and I will implement as much of the content as possible”

“Well delivered and organised series of workshops, I learned a lot.”

“This will change the way I conduct business with service users and will make me think more about people in poverty issues in the future.”

“The Bridges Out of Poverty training informs and enhances our council’s mission & equips staff & community with the best understanding of how to assist low-income people to facilitate responsible, self-directed decision making, planning, & ultimately self-sufficiency. After reviewing literally hundreds of tools, we believe that Getting Ahead & Bridges Out of Poverty are significant additions to our long-term work to help people permanently leave poverty.”

Who should attend?

Bridges Out of Poverty constructs have been deployed successfully across many sectors that work with individuals in poverty; social services, faith-based & third sector organisations, criminal justice services, businesses, educational establishments and healthcare providers amongst many others.

Register for an upcoming workshop:

Dates: The next workshop takes place on Tues 23rd & Wed 24th August 2016 (workshops run regularly so please contact us directly for further dates).

Time: Each day runs from 9am to 5pm

Cost: £ 370 per delegate*

* Our independent Social Return on Investment Report shows that the likely return for organisations investing in the workshops is over £6 for every £1 invested.

For more information or to register, please contact Amreeta Kaur on 0141 404 5848 or at Amreeta.Kaur@BridgesOutofPoverty.co

We can also customise Bridges Out of Poverty workshops for your organisation. Please contact us for further information.