



oasisnorthlondon

information

Creating opportunities for people living with HIV

Who are we?

Oasis North London, formerly known as **Chalk Farm Oasis**, is based in the borough of Camden, and is a registered charity and company limited by guarantee providing a range of services to people 'infected and personally affected by HIV/AIDS'. The organisation was established in 1991 as an HIV Self Help group administered under the auspices of the Salvation Army in Chalk Farm.

From those very humble beginnings, the organisation has grown to become a centre of service provision, highly regarded by users and funders alike.

Who can use Oasis North London?

Oasis aims to provide services to as many individuals as possible regardless of where they live, although a few specialised services may be restricted to specific boroughs depending on how they are funded. But as a matter of principle, no one is turned away from Oasis.

The staff and Board of Trustees have endeavoured to create services that are free to all our users. Occasionally, a minimal fee may be requested, for example, to help towards the purchase of tickets needed for a social outing.

What services and activities does Oasis provide?

The Learning Centre

A regular programme of computer and internet training in a safe and comfortable environment to enable people to build on their IT skills and confidence with computer technology. As a **POSITIVE FUTURES** partner, the Learning Centre enables students to easily link into other training, guidance and advice, as needed.

The Web Café

Daily, open-access to state-of-the art computer terminals for people to 'surf the net'

and use email as and when they want. The service is invaluable to those who may not own their own home computer. Tea, coffee and technical support are always at hand.

The Women's Project

A popular weekly support session where women can meet and support each other in a safe, non-judgemental environment. The session includes access to a number of complementary therapies and a hot meal. Other activities include Health & Information talks, outings, advice and referrals. **As with most of Oasis' programme activities, pre-arranged professional childminding is provided.**

The Living Room

Oasis' longest-running programme is our weekly open access, mixed support session where positive men & women and their friends can meet and share information and support. The opening hours run well into the evening to include those who work during the day. The Living Room session also includes a hot meal and the programme is designed to provide a variety of both social and educational activities. Health & Information talks, theme nights, quiz nights and social outings are some of the activities that are organised.

Newsletter

Oasis also provides an informative, quarterly free newsletter with contributions for and by service users to help keep people informed of what's going on at Oasis and locally in HIV. You can subscribe to the newsletter by contacting the Oasis office and ask to be included on our mailing list.

Wola Nani Crafts

Oasis has forged links with Wola Nani in South Africa to provide an outlet for the sale of hand crafted items produced through Wola Nani's Income Generation Programme for HIV+ women. Wola Nani products are available through Oasis North London. We have a selection of native hand-crafted and beaded jewellery, paper mache bowls and picture frames, most of which are created from recycled raw materials.

Volunteering

Oasis is continually developing its volunteer base and particularly encourages skilled and committed HIV+ people to be part of its team. Information on volunteering is available by phoning the Oasis office on 0207 485 2466 or emailing as detailed.

Other

Besides the main activities above, Oasis is well networked to help you get support from other agencies and professionals, for example, for advice, chaplaincy, counselling and short respite breaks.

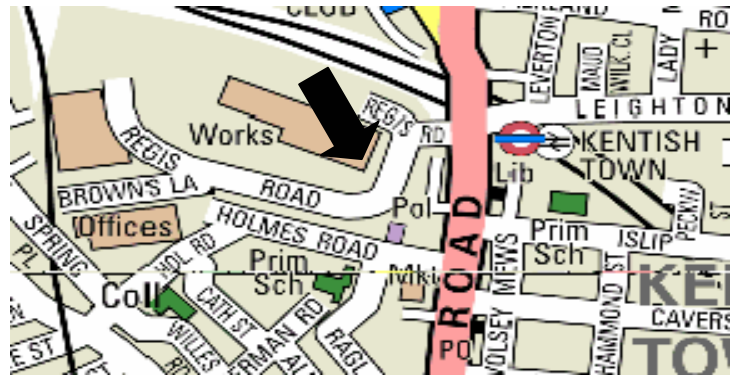
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Take the Northern Line or Thames Link to Kentish Town. Exit the station onto Kentish Town Road. Turn right and cross at traffic lights; & left into Regis Road. Oasis North London is 200 m on the right, next to the UPS building

Buses: 134—214—C2. All stop near Kentish Town Station