

Screen Share | Refugee support

SUMMARY

Digital access is no longer optional. Without a laptop and reliable connectivity, it is difficult to apply for jobs, access education and training, communicate with solicitors and support services, or even stay connected to family and community - barriers that are particularly acute for refugees and people seeking asylum starting again in the UK.

Screen Share UK addresses this gap by providing refugees and people seeking asylum with essential digital devices, giving people the practical tools to navigate services, rebuild independence, and move forward with education, employment and integration.

OVERVIEW

There are more refugees in the world than ever before, while at the same time huge numbers of usable laptops, phones and tablets are thrown away each year.

Screen Share UK addresses this by getting devices directly into the hands of refugees and people seeking asylum. It provides a mix of refurbished donated technology and new laptops where appropriate, giving people the practical tools to access healthcare, education, employment opportunities and legal support.

OUTCOME

The outcome is practical and immediate: when people arrive in the UK, Screen Share UK helps them get a screen so they can do the essentials of rebuilding life, apply to universities and courses, search and apply for jobs, study, access services, stay connected, and look for stable accommodation.

"Since I got this laptop I completed the following training: Teacher Assistant Level 2, Safeguarding adults and children, and Food safety. I registered with Teach Now and I am waiting to start a position as a teaching assistant. I couldn't have done this without your generous donation. Thank you very much!"

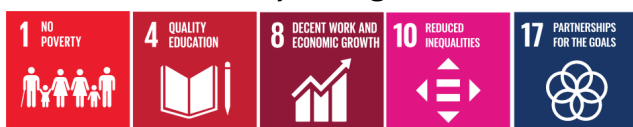


IMPACT

With support from the Seneca Trust, Screen Share has enabled:

- Enabled refugees and people seeking asylum to access education, with 91% using their device for further learning and 763 educational courses applied to or completed using a donated laptop.
- Supported employment pathways, with 872 job applications completed using Screen Share devices.
- Improved digital confidence, with 87% of recipients reporting increased confidence using technology.
- Reduced isolation and exclusion for people living in Home Office or temporary accommodation by enabling communication with family, communities and support services.
- Helped individuals progress with university study, professional training, language learning, coding and creative work, supporting longer-term integration and independence.

Sustainable development goals:



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