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Dear Colleague,

We are all facing challenging times at the moment. Now more than ever there is a need for statutory agencies and the voluntary and community sectors to work together to support the vulnerable and marginalised members of our community, including those with complex lives and offending histories.

As the chair of trustees of YouTurn, a local Bedfordshire based criminal justice charity I am pleased to be able to share with you the **YouTurn 2019/20 Impact report** outlining the work we have been delivering with our partner agencies and which helps demonstrate the difference we are making.

One of the key services YouTurn delivers is 'Direction for Bedfordshire' a dedicated, confidential signposting service that provides independent, free advice, guidance and help. It is a resource for professionals, those wanting to move away from crime, and a preventative tool for those whose socio-economic situation may lead to criminality. Despite the current Covid-19 pandemic, this service is still operational, with staff on hand to provide assistance. Please feel free to share widely with partner agencies or individuals who may need this service. <a href="https://directionforbedfordshire.co.uk/">https://directionforbedfordshire.co.uk/</a> Freephone 0800 917 5579.

In the meantime, I hope you and your families are able to stay safe.

Kind regards,

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**Robin Porter** 

Chair of Trustees YouTurn Futures
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