



## CONTACT US

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**PLEASE NOTE:** Ultimate responsibility for granting a tenancy remains with you, the landlord. EYH is not responsible for letting and managing any private rented property. EYH is not responsible for the young person's actions once they move in, although we will continue to support them during their tenancy.



## FOR MORE INFORMATION

🌐 **VISIT [YBS.CO.UK/SOCIETYMATTERS](https://ybs.co.uk/societymatters)**  
**OR [WWW.EYH.ORG.UK](https://www.eyh.org.uk)**

End Youth Homelessness (EYH) is a national movement of local charities working together to end youth homelessness in the UK. EYH trades through its designated Administrator, Centrepont (charity number 292411).

Yorkshire Building Society is a member of the Building Societies Association and is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority. Yorkshire Building Society is entered in the Financial Services Register and its registration number is 106085. Head Office: Yorkshire House, Yorkshire Drive, Bradford BD5 8LJ.



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End Youth Homelessness (EYH) has partnered with Yorkshire Building Society to help homeless young people live independently, by providing support with rent deposits, home essentials grants and dedicated assistance.

The Rent Deposit Scheme is a joint initiative, funded via a fundraising campaign from Yorkshire Building Society and administered by EYH, which helps private landlords to fill vacant properties quickly and free of charge.

## About End Youth Homelessness (EYH)

EYH is a movement of grassroots charities who work together at a local level to end youth homelessness on a national scale. Each year, EYH charities provide over 26,000 homeless young people with the accommodation and support they need to fulfil their potential.

## YOUR LOCAL EYH CHARITY IS ST. BASILS.

St Basils works with young people aged 16-25 who are homeless or at risk of homelessness, helping over 5000 young people per year across the West Midlands region with specific services in Birmingham, Sandwell, Solihull, Walsall, Warwickshire, Worcestershire, the Wyre Forest and Coventry. Every year over 1200 young people are housed in our 29 supported accommodation schemes, which for some young people includes their young children as well.

We have a range of prevention, accommodation and support services to help young people regain the stability they need to rebuild their lives, gain skills, training and employment and move on. The aim is to help them successfully break the 'cycle of homelessness' so that they can go on to experience a bright, fulfilling future and never return to a state where they are at risk of homelessness again.



## What is the Rent Deposit Scheme?

EYH's Rent Deposit Scheme helps young people, who have faced homelessness and are now ready to live independently to gain access to the private rented sector.

The Rent Deposit Scheme provides landlords with a guarantee certificate in place of a traditional cash deposit. This security bond (a formal agreement) protects the landlord from rent arrears and damage to the property. Claims can be submitted by landlords in case of property damage as a result of a tenant's actions, or failure to meet rent requirements.

Young people accepted on this or about to, enter education, employment and/or training. Also, they will have demonstrated the ability to save for their own deposit over an agreed period of time. They will maintain the conditions of their tenancy, respect their neighbours, and collaborate with EYH to make their tenancy a lasting success.

Each young person supported through the Rent Deposit Scheme will benefit from financial advice and dedicated support to help build their life skills and confidence.

## Benefits to Landlords:

- St Basils, has a list of potential and suitable tenants, so you can fill vacancies quickly and free of charge.
- St Basils helps to secure earlier payment of housing benefits.
- Each tenant is provided with support for paying bills, maintaining the tenancy and effectively saving towards their own deposit.
- Each tenant is given a move-in grant, to help furnish their home.
- You can help a young person in need of housing to make an independent start in life.

## To be eligible for the scheme, landlords must:

- Ensure all properties meet basic safety requirements.
- Be willing to let properties to young people receiving benefits or on low income.
- Work with St Basils to resolve any problems that may arise.
- Inform St Basils before taking any action to end a tenancy.
- Provide evidence of buy to let or mortgage free status.

