



Jimmy's
CAMBRIDGE

Our Impact 2021

Supporting People from Street Floor to Front Door

Our 2021 highlights

Moved
180
people out of
emergency
accommodation
into more
independent
living

Supported
more than
400
people across
our services

Provided
16
people with their
own front door in
our innovative
modular homes

Provided over
7,500
home cooked
meals and over
300
food parcels

Provided over
25,000
support hours
during
Covid

February

New van takes to the road

With the generous support of a range of funders, Jimmy's was thrilled to purchase a new electric van to support renovation of its properties, help residents move between sites, and pick up generous donations from across the community.

March

A new set of modular homes for the city

Our modular homes project continued to accelerate in the spring with six new homes providing more accommodation options to support people off the streets of Cambridge.

April

Increased activities

In April, we were delighted to be able to recommence sporting activity and workshops at Jimmy's, a vital area of work that supports community building, health, and wellbeing.

July

Final six modular homes opened

Taking the total number of Modular Homes in Cambridge to 22, the summer saw us open six new modular homes supplying new residents with their own front door.

September

Investing in mental health

Jimmy's welcomed Bea, a dedicated Mental Health Support Worker, providing increased mental health support to our residents.

October

Modular homes make an impact

The University of Cambridge published research showing that our modular homes led to positive outcomes for residents, including better health, reduced drug and alcohol dependence, restored relationships, and increased employment.

December

Winter support

With support from the community, we continued to house and help those sleeping rough in the city, and to celebrate the festive period. This year, we delivered more than one hundred Christmas food parcels and stockings to residents

Melanie: Volunteer

"In order to be part of the community, we need to understand our community. Volunteering at Jimmy's means that we get to positively contribute and provide encouragement so that everyone feels valued and filled with hope. As someone without a disposable income to give to charity, I decided to volunteer my time instead. It's great talking with people from diverse backgrounds and working alongside inspirational staff. Volunteering at Jimmy's helps me to see the humanity and compassion in the world, through donations, other volunteers, the staff and supporting organisations. Being a volunteer can only bring a smile to you when you see how much love there is in the community."

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200 volunteers supported our services this year, through cooking, companionship, fundraising and delivering activities for residents.

Victor: 451 Resident

"When I was homeless and moved into Jimmy's, I had nowhere to garden. Now I can get outside and talk to people again. They've been really helpful in getting me into a good place, where I can actually get on the horticultural course I've wanted to get on since before Covid. I feel like once I get on this course I can start moving forward. It's a big step for me."

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75% of those we support move on to more independent accommodation within one year



OUR PEOPLE
The personal stories that made up Jimmy's in 2021

Evaluation of our modular homes published in 2021 showed reduced dependency on alcohol and drugs among residents.

Louise: Resident

"Jimmy's is a home from home. We have got the support to get us back on our feet, time to think and warm up. I've recently stopped drinking for quite a long time, and I don't really miss it. There's quite a few opportunities. A home can be where I find some direction and see what doors are open to me. I hope for good health, somewhere safe to stay, and just doing what I can to possibly help others as I've been helped. The world's your oyster. There's just so many things you can do."

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Kurt: Resident

"Jimmy's is my leg up. Just the fact that I have a roof over my head and meals every day, that helps your future. The first three weeks, after sleeping on the streets, I just rested up mentally and physically. So Jimmy's was a lifesaver. It gets you on the ladder, where you can start making progress. Once I moved in, I could get in touch with the benefits system and apply for housing. Jimmy's helped me get my photo ID, bank accounts – things that I needed which couldn't be done unless I was able to use a phone and a computer. Without Jimmy's I'd still be walking the street in a mess, probably."

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Founded in 1995, Jimmy's is a pioneering, community-focused organisation tackling homelessness within Cambridge. Valuing and respecting everyone who needs our services, we work with each person to provide options, tools and skills to support them to move from the street to a home.

You can help us to make an even greater impact in 2022 by donating at our Enthuse payment page: <https://bit.ly/3oAaUPg>

"Jimmy's took me from street to shelter to house to home. Today is a better day and the future is open again."

Harry, a resident

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