

**1.5m Christians use their churches as a base for voluntary work**

Churches are so often in the centre of communities and have facilities that could be used by the police. Contact your local neighbourhood team in writing to offer them the use of facilities.

**Church buildings** can be used to host community meetings, youth work, havens etc., PACT meetings, surgeries

**Church-/ Centre-based Youth Work** – Can the Police advertise your group to local young people? (See results South Yorkshire in the Case Studies)

**Working with the Vulnerable** – Can you provide a place of security and friendship to the elderly, homeless etc? e.g. The Genesis Trust supports people who are vulnerable and in need through a range of projects from soup kitchens, lunch box, Sunday centre, furniture project, wood works, life skills, lifeline advice centre  
[www.genestrust.org.uk](http://www.genestrust.org.uk)

**Resources** – Can you provide office or storage space to officers or local organisations involved in crime and disorder reduction?

**Provision for local officers** – Can you provide designated tea stop and hospitality for officers on patrol or even a dedicated secure office?