

YOUTH VOLUNTEERING AND SOCIAL ACTION: A SURVEY OF PARENTS WITH CHILDREN AGED 10-20

The #iwill campaign is a UK-wide movement that aims to make involvement in fund-raising, volunteering and campaigning (social action) part of life for all 10-20 year olds by the year 2020. It is an independent, cross-party initiative, backed by more than 750 influential, cross-sector organisations.

FINDINGS



Over 90%

say it's important for their child to get involved in activities that help other people or the environment.

BENEFITS OF VOLUNTEERING AND SOCIAL ACTION



80% say getting involved improves their child's health and well-being.



40% say it gives young people a break from being online.



79% say it boosts their child's confidence.



75% agree involvement will help their child get a job in the future.

PARENTAL SUPPORT



72% say they support their child to get involved by providing encouragement



50% say they offer practical support by providing transport, money and food.

WHAT PARENTS THINK IS IMPORTANT:

84% agree that voluntary activities should be part of their child's education.

83% say they want their child to contribute to wider society

1341 parents completed a survey via Mumsnet.com. All respondents were parents of at least one child aged 10-20. All were in the UK. Respondents were sourced via the Mumsnet talk boards, the Mumsnet Insight Panel and via social media. The data for Q1-4 has been weighted by age and sex of child so that all ages and sexes were equal. A weight has also been applied to the data for social class to make the data representative of all UK parents. 98% of respondents were mothers. Survey dates: 18 Oct - 2 Nov 2017.