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Youngsters rewarded for doing their bit

Ten dedicated young people will be receiving awards for all their hard work within the local community at a special ceremony held at the University of Central Lancashire in Preston.

Aged between 16 and 24, they have all taken part in Millennium Volunteers projects based in Preston and Burnley. The projects are all part of the successful University of Central Lancashire Millennium Volunteers scheme, which was established over 2 years ago.

Under the scheme, young people are encouraged to volunteer their time to benefit others, by joining volunteer groups, or developing their own ideas. Their aim is to achieve 100 or 200 hours of Millennium Volunteer activity, or MV hours, when they are presented with an Award of Excellence. Activities include: editing and marketing a youth magazine; sports coaching; designing websites; performing arts, and setting up and managing a campus-based charity shop.

The awards will be presented by Charlie Hooper, Director of Connexions Lancashire and the event will be taking place on Monday 1 July, from 12 noon to 2.00pm in the Harris Building, University of Central Lancashire, Preston.

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Please note: The ceremony takes place in Harris Building, room 158, from 12 noon. For further details, place contact Dr Ali Melling, Millennium Volunteers Project Manager, tel: 01772 893666, or Pamela Culley, Media Office, tel: 01772 892486. **Photographers welcome.**