

# Research

*Every Organisation Matters* is the first ever mapping of the children and young people's voluntary and community sectors, which was undertaken by a team from the University of Hull led by Professor Gary Craig as part of the Speaking Out project. The mapping research was published on 9 July 2008.

Amongst the report's key findings are:

- The children and young people's voluntary and community sector employs over 160,000 people in England – as many as 1 in 3 of all those employed by voluntary and community organisations - and generates income in excess of £1.5 billion a year.
- Small organisations, many of whom work with highly vulnerable children and young people, are under threat because of the government's shift towards commissioning services.
- Children aged 7-13 appear to be poorly provided for, with an emphasis on early years provision and a growing government agenda around services for young people leading to this transitional age group missing out.
- Effective understanding of the children and young people's voluntary and community sector is currently hindered by poor quality data.
- Voluntary and community sector organisations need to be doing more to measure the long-term impact of their work.

To find out more:

>> [Every Organisation Matters - Full Document \(PDF\)](#)

>> [Every Organisation Matters - Executive Summary \(PDF\)](#)

>> [Research launch press release July 08](#)

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