In 2014 we helped 220 young people get new jobs
This year we started a project with 5 other charities. This year we started a project with 5 other charities. The project helps people to get a job if they are aged 16-29 and have a disability.

One of the people we helped is Lewis from Glasgow. Lewis was one of the first students at Darling’s when it opened in 2012. She excelled at all aspects of coffee shop work and was the first trainee able to operate the till.

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Maria has overcome her disability to operate the till.
Maria has a strong swimmer who has represented her country at the Special Olympics and the Commonwealth Games. She also took part in the Queen’s Baton Relay for Arbroath, with support from Darling’s staff.

Our members helped make train travel easier for disabled people
When a disabled person wants to use a train they have to tell the train company 24 hours beforehand.

We supported more than 3,000 people to live the life they choose
This year we started supporting Russell from Edinburgh. Russell says that getting support from ENABLE Scotland is not just about the day-to-day. It has given him the chance to get involved in so much more.

We are on course to have 5,000 members by next year
Our members are the heart of ENABLE Scotland. They run our branches and arrange activities. They tell us what is important to people who have learning disabilities.

We worked hard to look after the money we were given
It’s important that we get the most from every pound we have. Our finance team make sure that we can continue our work for many years to come.

Our funding comes from a variety of sources, including Local Authorities, Scottish Government, The Big Lottery Grant Fund and Children in Need. We also receive funds from trusts, events, donations, and grants from bodies such as Scottish Legal Aid Board, Robertson Trust, Skills Development Scotland, Shaw Trust and Momentum.

Thank you to everyone who has helped us in 2014 and everyone who has worked with us over the last 60 years.

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One of the first people to do the training was Maria. She now works part time at Darling’s in Arbroath.

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Today, after working at Darling’s for more than a year, Maria has overcome her shyness. She is a friendly and welcoming presence in the shop.

With a budget of just £1,000 the HUBS campaigns got a lot of coverage in newspapers, TV and social media. They also met with transport companies. 555 people signed the petition, 93 MSPs received a letter from a local constituent as a result of the campaign, and 32 MSPs signed a motion in the Scottish Parliament.

As a result, the Minister for Transport announced that bidder for the new Scottish franchise would have to “ensure that disabled passengers can travel more spontaneously than current arrangements allow.”

The plan is for train companies to reduce the notice time for passenger assistance to a maximum of 2 hours.

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