

Bridge Central London Skills Partnership

Digital case study:

Mary Ward Centre, Adult Education

The LSIF assisted in transforming learning spaces throughout the College, including areas for group work, 1-2-1 remote digital learning rooms, and IT equipment that allows learners to study more freely.

Lana is a 39-year-old woman from Ghana who resides on the outskirts of London. Her life has not always been straightforward; she navigates ongoing mental health challenges and commutes a significant distance to attend classes at Mary Ward's, Blackfriars Centre. Despite these difficulties, Lana remains one of the College's most dedicated and enthusiastic learners.

Lana has completed both components of the **Building Your Digital Skills** course. She has also studied Functional Skills in English and Maths, showcasing significant progress across all areas. She attends regularly, engages in lessons, and enthusiastically supports her classmates. Her dedication truly stands out.

As Lana lives a considerable distance from Blackfriars, the College assists her with transport. She has informed the College that she prefers learning with them because of the support she receives, particularly regarding her mental health. Being in the classroom provides her with a sense of routine and connection, which she greatly values.

Benefits for Lana:

- Gained confidence in her use of technology and an understanding of how to navigate the internet safely, and acquired the ability to communicate online
- Learned skills in creating Word documents and designing PowerPoint presentations.



“ ***The skills gained from the LSIF-funded digital course have fostered Lana’s sense of independence, opening new job opportunities and avenues for further study.*** ”

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