Community Organisations Wage Bill Forecast To Bring In £24 Billion For UK Adults In 2013

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- Community organisations set to provide UK adults with as many jobs in 2013 as the financial services sector
- They will pay more in employment costs (wages, salaries, benefits, pensions etc) than the hotel and food services sector this year
- Voluntary and charitable sector will spend £17 billion in 2013 employing 825,000 UK adults
- Figures come as a new report by the TUC reveals rising long term unemployment
- Good news comes this morning as unemployment figures show a 0.2% (rate currently stands at 7.8%) drop and new data from a new report*, the Community Census, by Ecclesiastical Insurance undertaken by CEBR has revealed that community organisations** are forecast to provide UK adults with as many jobs as the financial services sector in 2013.

The employment data, based on forecasts from economic experts CEBR has revealed that the voluntary and charitable sector is estimated to employ 825,000 paid workers in 2013. On top of this, the heritage tourism sector is estimated to employ a further 260,000 workers, whilst religious organisations are estimated to employ 61,000 workers, totalling 1.5 million working UK adults.

These sectors are in total estimated to provide employment for roughly 3.8% of all the workers in the UK in 2013, making it the 12th largest broad industrial group.

Income Contribution

Alongside the significant number of workers that UK community organisations employ, the total amount that will be paid out in employment costs in 2013 is estimated at £23.7 billion. This figure is greater than the entire hotel and food services sector, with voluntary and charitable organisations being the largest contributors, at just over £17 billion a year. On top of this the heritage tourism sector will contribute £5.3 billion to household finances, with religious organisations contributing a further £980 million.

Overall, community organisations will be worth £27 billion directly to the UK economy in 2013, in terms of wages, profits and business taxes paid.

Mark Hews, Group Chief Executive Officer of Ecclesiastical Insurance comments on the report: "Whilst unemployment figures continue to draw attention and are hotly debated, it is clear that some sectors across the country are showing strong growth this year, and supporting households across the UK.

"The voluntary and charitable sector in particular has been hit hard over recent years by falling support and contributions, but it is also clear that it provides employment for a large group of UK workers who are paid £17 billion a year in wages to support the sector. This is a huge amount, and with community organisations overall supplying £24 billion worth of income for working adults in the UK this year it shows the vital role these organisations play in people's lives."

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* Report undertaken by CEBR between March - May 2013 on behalf of Ecclesiastical Insurance
** Community organisations are defined in The Community Census as charities and voluntary groups, religious bodies and heritage buildings and sites

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Ecclesiastical has this year (2013) been awarded the Business in the Community CommunityMark Award for its ongoing community support activities. The insurer is also one of the top 10 Corporate Donors in the UK according to the UK Guide to Company Giving published by the Directory of Social Change.

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