

## Learner of the Year Winning Story

2018-2019

*We celebrate all our students and their achievements throughout the year.*

*We know many of our learners have had to overcome barriers to learning and faced personal challenges.*

*At the end of the academic year we ask all our tutors and providers to nominate someone who has made significant progress during a course and then we have the difficult task of choosing three winners.*

*In recognition of their outstanding achievements, our winners for 2018-2019 were presented with their plaques at the Lincolnshire Show in June by Council Leader Martin Hill.*

*Will you be our next Learner of the Year award winner?*



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*Tony had joined a works programme with Soteria during a time when he was struggling with personal and financial problems. Enrolling on a First-Aid course to enhance his employability skills Tony's confidence began to increase; he volunteered to teach others his plastering skills and has now moved on finding employment as a plastering tutor.*

*Tony was finding it difficult to get work in his current trade due to working regulations and a shoulder problem. The later meant he was considering a new career. Tony's mental health also meant he needed lots of support and encouragement from his tutor.*

*Tony joined an Emergency First Aid at Work 6-hour course for a mixed group of unemployed learners. He attended the course as part of a works programme with the aim of gaining skills and confidence in the subject area to enhance his employability skills and on a personal level to aid self-awareness and confidence.*

*Tony achieved his First Aid certificate along with other qualifications. During his learning on this course and others his mental health improved, and he felt better about his prospects. He gained employment and while working Tony also volunteered to teach others his plastering skills. These positive moves showed how well he could support others and pass on his knowledge and skills.*

*Tony is now employed as a plastering tutor. He uses the skills he has gained to provide a safe and secure environment for his learners.*

