

## **THE CHARITY WORKPLACE: RISING TO THE CHALLENGE**

The pandemic, cost of living crisis, and wider economic uncertainty have all impacted charity operations to varying degrees over the past few years.

The next few years look set to see several more challenges that will influence the shape of the workforce and workplace for charities in London and across the UK.

# CHALLENGES

### ATTRACTING & RETAINING TALENT

# 36%

**36% OF CHARITIES** ARE STRUGGLING TO **RECRUIT ENOUGH EMPLOYEES** (VCSE BAROMETER)



**CHARITY SECTOR** WAGES HAVE FAILED TO KEEP PACE WITH INFLATION, RISING BY ONLY 3.8% IN 2022\*\*



**RETENTION CRISIS SEES** A LABOUR TURNOVER **RATE OF 18.1%** (CENDEX 2021)



**DIFFICULTY TO** COMPETE ON WAGES AND LOSS OF TALENT TO THE WIDER **COMMERCIAL SECTOR** 



**INCREASED OFFICE INCENTIVES & EXPENDITURE TO** FACILITATE HYBRID WORKING AND **RETURN-TO-OFFICE** 

## **SQUEEZED INCOME - INCREASED DEMAND**

# **96%**

96% OF CHARITIES EARN BELOW £1 **MILLION A YEAR\*** 



CASH IS NO LONGER THE MOST POPULAR WAY OF DONATING IMPACTING **FUNDING LEVELS** 



NUMBER OF PEOPLE **DONATING FALLS** FROM 65% IN 2020 TO 57%\*







**PUBLIC SECTOR FUNDING AT ITS** LOWEST SINCE 2004-05, DOWN TO £800M IN 2024 (NCVO)

**RISING ENERGY COSTS CAUSE CONCERN** FOR 4 OUT OF 5 **CHARITY LEADERS\*** 

**OF CHARITIES HAVE DIPPED INTO CASH** RESERVES\*\*



COST OF LIVING CRISIS **CREATES DEMAND SURGE** 

FINANCIAL ADVICE, FOOD BANKS AND **MENTAL/DISABILITY WELLBEING ASSISTANCE INCREASINGLY SOUGHT** 

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**OFFICE LEASING IN LONDON IN 2022** 



# 3,565 SQ FT

**CHARITIES BASED IN** LONDON

**AVERAGE CHARITY** SECTOR DEAL SIZE IN 2022 DOWN 45% ON 2019

LARGEST OFFICE **TRANSACTION IN 2022** 16,297 SQ FT AT **107 LEADENHALL STREET** 



£47.12 PSF AVERAGE RENT PAID IN AVERAGE RENT PAID IN 2019



£38.33 PSF 2022



THE CITY IS MOST **POPULAR WITH CHARITIES** 41% SHARE OF LEASING

LARGEST CHARITY SECTOR OFFICE TRANSACTIONS 2019-22







Love later life

Guy's & St Thomas' Foundation



# OUTLOOK

#### **RATIONALISE SPACE**

62% OF CHARITIES HAVE ADOPTED HYBRID WORKING\*

**MAXIMISE COST EFFICIENCIES THROUGH REAL ESTATE REVIEW** 

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## SHARED SPACES

JOIN FORCES WITH **OTHER CHARITIES TO** CUT COSTS, MAXIMISE SPEND AND BENEFIT FROM COLLABORATION

### **CHARITIES GO FLEX CHARITIES TO HARNESS FLEX OFFICE OPTIONS**

## FULFILL ESG GOALS

ESG GOALS CAN IN PART BE ACHEIVED THROUGH CHOICE OF OFFICE, OPTING FOR THE BEST-IN-CLASS SPACES

### **INVEST IN TECH**

**REAP THE REWARDS** FROM INVESTING IN IT AND ONLINE SOLUTION FOR WORKPLACE AND MARKETPLACE

#### **CHARITY FLEX SPACE**

**GREATER PROVISION OF SPECIFIC** WORKSPACES LIKE X+WHY/GROSVENOR'S 30,000 SQ FT SCHEME **IN VICTORIA** 

source: \* charities aid foundation \*\* Pro BonO ECONOMICS

# **WORKING WITH THE THIRD SECTOR**

Our consulting team has worked with many third sector clients over the past 3 years to harness the **benefits** of hybrid working.



#### **DEVONO SUPPORTING CHARITIES WORKPLACE STRATEGIES**



