



Hard-work of Anchor House staff pays off at award night

The spotlight was shone on dedicated workers at Anchor House in Canning Town during the homelessness charity's awards night last Wednesday.

More than 110 people from organisations including Newham Council, drug and alcohol charity Foundation 66 and the Newham Primary Care Trust were entertained by the Dodgy Jammers band as well as enjoying music from the Anchor House gospel choir.

Night manager Malik Sidu-darbo, Sonai Huie, who runs the restaurant, and volunteer Michael Patterson were each recognised for their contribution.

Resident Nigel Miles, a trainee lifestyle architect, was awarded best contribution to Anchor House, while the best partner award went to Moses Nyanu, from Newham Council's homeless persons team.

Anchor House director Keith Fernett said Moses spearheaded a joint project that helped to rehouse 68 people last year.

He added: "Despite the recession we managed to get 34 residents into new jobs and sustained seven others in employment, giving a total of 41 for the year, which was an excellent achievement."



■ Anchor House deputy director Derek Pitt, Cllr Joy Laguda, award winner Moses Nayaunu and Anchor house director Keith Fernett