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Be a volunteer!

November 2026 Bulletin & Trustee Bulletin

Volunteer to:

- ✓ Gain skills and experience
- ✓ Make a difference in your community
- ✓ Help others
- ✓ Meet new people and have fun!

Explore the latest opportunities in this bulletin.

You can also search and apply online for volunteering opportunities: Click here/scan the QR code to search and apply for hundreds of roles in Sheffield, with new roles being added all the time: search.sheffieldvolunteercentre.org.uk/volunteers/search

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What is the Volunteer Centre?

We are part of Voluntary Action Sheffield (VAS) and we help people wanting to volunteer and organisations offering voluntary roles to find one another. You can find out more about volunteering by contacting us:

- **Website:** sheffieldvolunteercentre.org.uk Click on **'Start volunteering'** and you will be able to search through all the volunteer roles currently advertised with us and register/apply online.
- **Email:** vc@vas.org.uk
- **Telephone:** 0114 253 6649
- **Facebook:** @SheffieldVolunteerCentre
- **Instagram:** @sheffieldvolunteercentre
- **Face-to-face:** Come to our drop-in on a Tuesday – details below

Volunteer Centre drop-in

Come and see us anytime between 10am and 4pm on a Tuesday and have a chat with an advisor about volunteering. Our volunteer advisors are friendly, knowledgeable and experienced in helping people to find volunteer opportunities and can answer any questions you may have.
No need to book, just turn up!
You'll find us at: The Circle, 033 Rockingham Lane, Sheffield, S1 4FW

Are you an asylum seeker or refugee in Sheffield looking for:

- Education and training?
- Volunteering?
- Support to get a job?
- Social activities?

The New Beginnings project can help you to access information and advice on Education, Employment and Volunteering. We offer 1-2-1 appointments, a drop-in Jobs club and IT classes. We run social activities and work with groups in the city to run sports, games, walks and events.

Contact us: (0114) 253 6655 / 0774 392 4615 / refugee@vas.org.uk

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TRUSTEE FAIR

Support Sheffield and Become a Trustee!

Would you like to make a difference in Sheffield? Join us at our first Trustee Fair this November to meet local organisations and explore trustee opportunities!

Monday 30th November 2026 16:00-18:00
The Circle, 33 Rockingham Lane, Sheffield, S1 4FW



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PARKINSONS WALKING FOOTBALL

PARKINSONS AND NEUROLOGICAL FRIENDS AND FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

Trustees needed to make a difference

Parkinson's Friends and Family Support group (PNFSS) is a community who supports people with Parkinson's to access weekly football sessions with a carer's café running alongside.

Previous trustee experience is preferred — we are looking for people with

- Experience of managing budgets, fundraising, partnerships and promoting, marketing, or administration.
- A passion for inclusion and football sessions for people living with Parkinson's would help — even you don't have experience of either yourself.

Optional opportunities to

- Volunteer with the funding bid working group and fundraising
- To shape policy and governance
- To help with marketing and promotion

Approximately one trustee meeting approximately **every three months** in the evenings.

We welcome people from all backgrounds and ages.

If you would like a chat and to learn more, please contact:
Hello@pnffs.org.uk
Take a look at our Facebook to get an idea how it's going so far:
https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61580247523283

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TRUSTEE BASICS

2026 Training

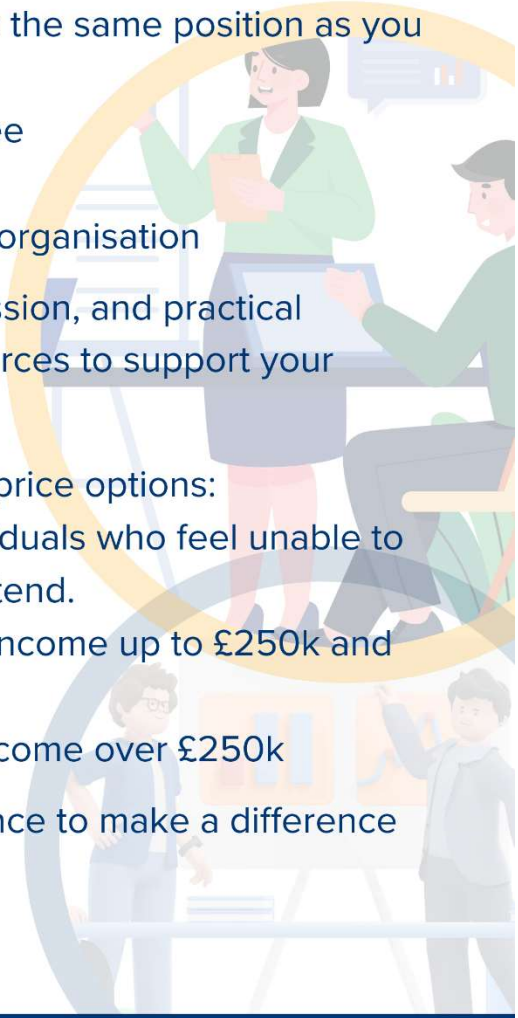
Join our in-person, interactive training sessions designed for new trustees. With us, you will connect with others in the same position as you while exploring:

- The key roles and responsibilities of a trustee
- How to carry out your duties effectively
- Ways to make a positive impact within your organisation

Each session includes time for questions, discussion, and practical guidance as well as signposting to further resources to support your trustee journey.

To keep this training accessible, we offer three price options:
Free ticket: Free - for unfunded groups or individuals who feel unable to contribute and would otherwise be unable to attend.
Supported ticket: £20 – for organisations with income up to £250k and individuals who feel able to contribute
Standard ticket: £35 – for organisations with income over £250k

Equip yourself with the knowledge and confidence to make a difference as a trustee.



Thursday,
26th November
09:30 - 15:30

Further training sessions in...
January 2027

Our Location
CONFERENCE ROOM, THE CIRCLE, 33 ROCKINGHAM LANE, S1 4FW

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Age UK Sheffield

Online Shop Volunteer (eBay) @ Banner Cross (S11)
Are you interested in gaining experience in E-Commerce while making a difference in the lives of older people in Sheffield?
Age UK Sheffield is seeking enthusiastic volunteers to support our growing eBay shop. Our online store helps raise crucial funds to provide services, information, and support to people aged 50 and over in Sheffield.

As a volunteer, you'll assist our eBay team with a variety of tasks, these can include:

- Appraising and accurately pricing donated items
- Taking high-quality, professional photographs of products
- Securely packaging sold items for shipping

This role is available on Tuesday and Thursday afternoon.

TO APPLY FOR THIS ROLE, CLICK HERE, and sign in to apply (pink button in top left corner).

Evelyn Callewaert, 07384 894087, volunteering@ageuksheffield.org.uk

Broomhill Community Library

English conversation class co-leader
We are looking for an additional person to help co-lead our English conversation class on Friday mornings 10.00-12.00 each week with a break in the summer. It is a very popular group.

Are you someone with an evident curiosity and enjoyment in people? Do you have a genuine interest in other cultures and a sensitivity to cultural issues?

This would suit someone who has previous experience in leading a group, maybe from a background of teaching or learning of languages; must be a mother tongue English speaker with a knowledge of grammar and good pronunciation to be able to help our attendees; ability to communicate clearly and draw others out helpful.

Lindsey Beagles, 0114 273 4276, volunteer@broomhill-library.org.uk

Broomhill Community Library

Volunteer recruitment admin and support worker needed to work in a small team
Would you enjoy meeting people and supporting them as they progress on their volunteer journey? Then helping us recruit and support our volunteers could be the role for you.

Regular time commitment needed to meet the volunteers but hours to suit, working both from home and at the library during opening hours.

Team meetings are kept to a minimum as most of our volunteer management is spent with the people or typing in ads like this!

Essential to be a friendly people person, willing to commit to building the team; also necessary are good time keeping and reasonable computer skills. No prior knowledge of this role required but any relevant experience would be helpful. Training and lots of encouragement will be given.

Lindsey Beagles, 0114 273 4276, volunteer@broomhill-library.org.uk

Feed Our Communities CIC

Community Gatherings & Festivals Volunteer
Feed Our Communities is creating a series of community gatherings and heritage-inspired festivals across South Yorkshire and North Derbyshire. These events are simple, welcoming moments where people can come together because they can — not to solve problems, but to share space, culture and connection. Services meet needs, but inclusion and cohesion grow from shared experiences, and our gatherings are designed to make that possible.

We're looking for friendly volunteers to help us plan and run these events. You'll be part of a small, supportive team helping create warm, inclusive spaces where people can meet, talk, celebrate their communities and enjoy being together.

Volunteers are needed because:

- community inclusion doesn't happen through services alone
- people need opportunities to connect, not just support
- shared cultural events help build cohesion and belonging
- we want to create gatherings that feel welcoming, accessible and meaningful

What we're trying to achieve:

- bring people together through heritage-inspired festivals and community events
- create inclusive spaces where everyone feels welcome
- celebrate local culture, traditions and seasonal themes
- strengthen community connections across our region

Volunteer responsibilities include:

- helping plan community gatherings and festival-style events
- supporting event setup and creating welcoming spaces
- greeting visitors and chatting about the event theme
- assisting with simple activities, crafts or demonstrations
- helping prepare posters, displays and information boards
- supporting cultural workshops or storytelling sessions
- contributing ideas to make events inclusive and engaging

Will volunteers be alone or part of a team? You'll always be part of a small, friendly team. No one is expected to work alone, and you can choose the tasks you feel most comfortable with.

Emma Elizabeth Boswell, 07812 802021, emma@feedourcommunitiescic.co.uk

Grandma's Soup

Intergenerational Cooking Day Volunteer - Grandma's Soup
Join Grandma's Soup on a mission to reduce loneliness among older adults by bringing generations together through cooking and connection. Join fun, flexible cooking sessions where students and seniors make soup together, chat, and build real connections. Open to all students.

Grandma's Soup is a student-led initiative dedicated to tackling loneliness among older people across the UK. By organising weekly activities in cities such as London, Sheffield, and Oxford, the project brings students and older adults together to prepare and share a simple bowl of soup. These gatherings create warm, relaxed, and meaningful social spaces where generations can connect, build friendships, and enjoy fun, cozy afternoons together.

As a **Cooking Day Volunteer**, you will:

- Take part in 2-hour cooking sessions, helping students and older adults prepare soup together.
- Assist with light setup and clean-up before and after the session (very minimal).
- Engage in warm conversation, support simple cooking tasks, and help build a welcoming, intergenerational atmosphere.
- Share a bowl of self-made soup and contribute directly to reducing loneliness in local communities.

Time commitment: Fully flexible — join once, weekly, or whenever you're free.
Location: Various Sheffield venues (details after sign-up).

Hannah Lim, 07305 213959, sheffield@grandmassoup.co.uk

Mini Broomhill, Broomhill Methodist Centre

Community & Events Volunteer - BMC
Location: Broomhill Methodist Centre (BMC), Sheffield

Time Commitment: Flexible — weekday and evening opportunities, occasional weekends, school holidays and special events. Volunteers can participate according to their availability and interests.
Reports to: Pioneer Chaplain

About Broomhill Methodist Centre
Broomhill Methodist Centre (BMC) is a welcoming community hub in Broomhill, Sheffield — a place for families, local groups, climbers, students and people exploring faith to connect, explore and belong.
Our wider community activities include:

- **Mini Broomhill:** Creative play and activities for young children and their parents or carers.
- **Broomhill Climbing Works:** Climbing activities and community.
- **Climbing Church:** A welcoming climbing community with opportunities to connect and explore faith.
- **Home Education Hub:** Inclusive activities and opportunities for children, young people and adults outside conventional education settings.
- **Emerging student and community activities:** Exploring new opportunities such as board game cafés, wellbeing activities and social gatherings.
- Find out more about BMC

Role Purpose
To help create a welcoming, inclusive and connected community at Broomhill Methodist Centre by supporting activities, events and different groups that use our building.
This role offers the opportunity to get involved in a variety of activities across BMC, helping people feel welcome, supporting practical arrangements and contributing to the development of community life.
This is a flexible, varied role. You don't need to commit to every activity — we can explore opportunities that suit your interests, availability and experience.

Key Responsibilities

- Help set up, run and clear down community activities, events and room hires.
- Welcome and support visitors, participants and community members.
- Provide flexible support and participation across BMC activities, including:
  - Climbing Church & Social (Tuesdays, 7–9pm).
  - Mini Broomhill and Home Education Hub.
  - Emerging student activities, such as board game cafés and social events.
- Support refreshments, signage and practical event arrangements.
- Help create a welcoming, inclusive and safe environment.

- Share ideas and contribute to the development of new community activities.
- Follow safeguarding and relevant Centre procedures.

Criminal Record Check (DBS)
The volunteer will need a satisfactory Enhanced Disclosure from the Disclosure & Barring Service. Volunteers will be asked to provide all relevant documents for these checks. The cost of the DBS check will be met by the Church.

Training and support provided
- Volunteers are required to attend safeguarding training, Creating Safer Space- Foundation Module
- Volunteer will be given the opportunity to attend Food Hygiene Level 1 and Allergens.
- Additional training and induction relevant to working with children and families will also be provided.
- Volunteers will receive out of pocket expenses as per the volunteer agreement.
- Regular support from the Chaplain.
- Safeguarding support through the Centre and Circuit structures.
- Opportunities to develop skills in hospitality, family engagement, and community work.

Becca Gillespie, 07745 993966, minibroomhill@gmail.com

Mini Broomhill, Broomhill Methodist Centre

Digital Communications Volunteer - BMC
Location: Broomhill Methodist Centre (BMC), Sheffield. Remote working possible.

Time Commitment: Flexible — weekday and evening opportunities, occasional weekends, school holidays and special events. Volunteers can participate according to their availability and interests.
Reports to: Pioneer Chaplain

Role Purpose
To help BMC, Mini Broomhill and, where appropriate, Broomhill Climbing Works communicate clearly and attractively with families, volunteers, local groups and the wider community.

Key Responsibilities
- Create posters, flyers and social media graphics using Canva or similar tools.
- Write, prepare and schedule social media posts.
- Take and organise suitable photos and short videos, following consent and safeguarding procedures.
- Support website, event listing and online information updates.
- Promote BMC, Mini Broomhill, Climbing Church, events and volunteering opportunities.
- Help organise digital content, photos and promotional materials.
- Suggest creative ideas to improve community engagement and communications.
- Work with the Pioneer Chaplain and activity leads to ensure content is accurate and welcoming.

Training and support provided
- Volunteers are required to attend safeguarding training, Creating Safer Space- Foundation Module
- Volunteer will be given the opportunity to attend Food Hygiene Level 1 and Allergens.
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Mini Broomhill, Broomhill Methodist Centre

Volunteer Duty & Community Coordinator - BMC
Location: Broomhill Methodist Centre (BMC), Sheffield

Time Commitment: Flexible — weekday and evening opportunities, occasional weekends, school holidays and special events. Volunteers can participate according to their availability and interests.
Reports to: Pioneer Chaplain / Playspace Manager

Role Purpose
To act as a trusted volunteer duty lead for agreed BMC and Mini Broomhill activities, helping ensure sessions, events and room hires are welcoming, safe and well-organised.
This role supports the coordination of volunteers, practical running of activities and day-to-day use of the building, helping BMC operate confidently without requiring the Pioneer or Playspace Manager to be present at every session.
This is a flexible role with opportunities to develop leadership, coordination and community support skills, with responsibilities agreed according to your experience, training and availability.

Key Responsibilities
- Act as the on-site volunteer duty lead for agreed BMC and Mini Broomhill activities, events and hires.
- Welcome visitors, families, groups and hirers, helping them use the building safely.
- Coordinate and brief volunteers, ensuring everyone understands their responsibilities.
- Support room and playspace set-up, refreshments, signage and clear-down.
- Complete basic opening/closing checks and session records where required.
- Follow safeguarding, health and safety, fire, food hygiene and lone-working procedures.
- Escalate safeguarding concerns, incidents, complaints or building issues to the appropriate manager.
- Ensure sessions only proceed when required checks and duty arrangements are in place.

Criminal Record Check (DBS)
The volunteer will need a satisfactory Enhanced Disclosure from the Disclosure & Barring Service. Volunteers will be asked to provide all relevant documents for these checks. The cost of the DBS check will be met by the Church.

Training and support provided
- Volunteers are required to attend safeguarding training, Creating Safer Space- Foundation Module
- Volunteer will be given the opportunity to attend Food Hygiene Level 1 and Allergens.
- Additional training and induction relevant to working with children and families will also be provided.
- Volunteers will receive out of pocket expenses as per the volunteer agreement.
- Regular support from the Chaplain.
- Safeguarding support through the Centre and Circuit structures.
- Opportunities to develop skills in hospitality, family engagement, and community work.

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Mini Broomhill, Broomhill Methodist Centre

Welcome, Café & Admin Volunteer - BMC
Location: Broomhill Methodist Centre (BMC), Sheffield

Time Commitment: Flexible — weekday and evening opportunities, occasional weekends, school holidays and special events. Volunteers can participate according to their availability and interests.
Reports to: Pioneer Chaplain

Role Purpose
To help BMC and Mini Broomhill provide a warm, welcoming and organised experience for families, visitors, groups and people making enquiries.

Key Responsibilities

- Welcome visitors and help them find the right person, activity or space.
- Respond to basic phone, email and in-person enquiries.
- Support simple administration, bookings and preparing materials.
- Help keep the welcome area and shared spaces organised.
- Assist with café tasks, including refreshments, card payments, restocking and basic cleaning.
- Handle personal information respectfully and confidentially.
- Refer complex enquiries or concerns to the appropriate staff member.
- Follow relevant safeguarding, confidentiality and Centre procedures.

Criminal Record Check (DBS)
The volunteer will need a satisfactory Enhanced Disclosure from the Disclosure & Barring Service. Volunteers will be asked to provide all relevant documents for these checks. The cost of the DBS check will be met by the Church.

Training and support provided

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Refugee Council North

Communities for Afghans Supporter
We are seeking compassionate and reliable volunteers to support an Afghan family as they settle into life in the local community. This rewarding role involves helping family members build confidence, access local services, and develop a sense of belonging in their new home.
As a volunteer, you will play an important part in helping the family navigate everyday life, build social connections, and become active members of the community.

You will form a group of at least 6 people (more are welcome!) in order to provide hands-on settlement and integration support over an agreed sponsorship period.

What You'll Be Doing

- Housing and accommodation: Source suitable, sustainable accommodation for the family for a minimum three-year lease. Accommodation costs will be covered by the family with extra funds available to support with deposit and ongoing rent for a period of three years and your community facilitator will help you with this.
- Basic needs: Assist the family with essential needs such as furniture, household items, clothing, food, and utilities. Financial support is available for basic needs costs.
- Welcome and orientation: Meet the family on arrival and help them integrate into their new environment: how to get around, use public transport and access shops.
- Integration support: Help the family register for services, enrol children in school, access ESOL classes, healthcare, employment, and build social connections.
- Safeguarding and wellbeing: Adopt safeguarding practices, respond to health or trauma needs sensitively, and be alert to vulnerable family member's needs.
- Record-keeping and accountability: Maintain records and evidence of support as required by the sponsoring scheme or relevant authorities.

What We're Looking For

- Friendly, empathetic, and respectful individuals.
- Good communication and listening skills.
- An understanding of cultural diversity and inclusion.
- Reliability and a commitment to maintaining confidentiality.
- Patience, flexibility, and a willingness to learn.
- Previous experience is not essential as training and support will be provided.

What You'll Gain

- The opportunity to make a meaningful difference to a family's life.
- Experience in community engagement, integration, and cross-cultural communication.
- Increased understanding of refugee and resettlement experiences.
- Training and ongoing support from our team.
- The chance to develop new skills and meet people from different backgrounds.

Time Commitment

The time commitment is very flexible and can be fitted around your life. We do ask for the volunteer group to be checking in with the family for up to **3 years, *with a more hands on approach in the first 6 months - after this 1-2 hours per two weeks/month depending on the families needs*.** But the time commitment is really down to you! The initial training period will require time, and discussing the work needed with your group will also, but you can create a schedule that works for you.

Equality and Inclusion

We welcome applications from people of all backgrounds and experiences. We are committed to creating an inclusive environment where everyone is treated with dignity, respect, and understanding.

Want to find out more? Sign up to one of our information sessions!

Sessions are held online via Teams and last around one hour. The next session is on:

- Tuesday 3 November, 6-7:30pm

Have a question about the sessions? Want to talk to someone before the next session? Get in touch at sponsorship@refugeecouncil.org.uk

Camilla Brokenshire, 07917 659216, camilla.brokenshire@refugeecouncil.org.uk

Resolute Women's Support Services

Volunteer Coordinator
The Volunteer Coordinator will help recruit, welcome, support and organise volunteers across Resolute Women's Support Services and The Lotus.

This role is ideal for someone who is caring, approachable, organised and passionate about creating a positive and supportive environment. The Volunteer Coordinator will help ensure that every volunteer feels valued, confident and clear about their responsibilities.

Main Responsibilities

- Support the recruitment and induction of new volunteers.
- Help match volunteers to suitable roles based on their skills, interests and availability.
- Maintain regular contact with volunteers and provide ongoing support.
- Coordinate volunteer rotas and help ensure activities are appropriately staffed.
- Keep accurate and confidential volunteer records.
- Help organise volunteer training, supervision and team meetings.
- Check that volunteers understand Resolute's policies, safeguarding procedures and professional boundaries.
- Help resolve minor concerns and report any serious issues to the CEO or Operations Manager.
- Encourage a welcoming, inclusive and trauma-informed environment.
- Support volunteers working within The Lotus café, community hub, support groups, events and other Resolute activities.
- Assist with volunteer recruitment campaigns and community events.
- Gather feedback from volunteers to help improve their experience.

Deborah Jones, 07939 287367, deborahjones@resolutesupport.uk

RSPCA Sheffield

RSPCA Sheffield Charity Shop Volunteer - Multiple locations available
Our charity shops play an important part in raising money to support the animals in our care. We are looking for friendly volunteers who would enjoy being part of a team and help to make our shops a welcoming place for customers.

Whether you enjoy chatting to people, sorting through donations or helping behind the scenes, there are lots of ways to get involved.

Locations include:

- Abbey Lane Charity Shop
- Broomhill Charity Shop
- Woodseats Charity Shop

What you could get involved with:

- Welcoming customers and helping them around the shop
- Serving customers on the till
- Sorting, preparing and pricing donated items
- Helping with stock and deliveries
- Creating attractive displays and keeping the shop looking its best
- Working alongside staff and other volunteers as part of the shop team

Rae, 07380 971303, rae.seaforth@rspcasheffield.org

RSPCA Sheffield

RSPCA Sheffield - Centre Volunteer
Our centre plays an important part in raising money to support the animals in our care. We are looking for friendly volunteers who can help us sort stock for our shops and rummage sales, answer our phones and greet visitors.

What you could get involved with

- Greeting visitors
- Answering phone calls for fundraising and donations
- Sorting donations for our charity shops and rummage sales
- Helping with stock and deliveries
- Working alongside staff and other volunteers

Rae, 07380 971303, rae.seaforth@rspcasheffield.org

RSPCA Sheffield

RSPCA Sheffield - Online Sales Volunteer
Our online sale platforms help us raise even more money from the lovely donations that we receive. We are looking for a volunteer who would enjoy helping keep our online sales running smoothly and make sure our buyers have a friendly, positive experience.

What you could get involved with:
This could be a great volunteering opportunity if you already use eBay, Vinted and Depop or are comfortable using computers/phones and would like to learn more. You would be part of our team helping with the day-to-day tasks starting at listing items through to packing sold items.

- Answer messages and queries
- Listing items; photographing, writing descriptions
- Preparing and packing sold items ready to go to their new homes
- Helping to keep track of sold items and orders

Rae, 07380 971303, rae.seaforth@rspcasheffield.org

RWW Step out Sheffield

Chairperson required to head up the volunteers who make up the Board of Management of a small charity
The Step Out Sheffield Board of Management is made up of volunteer walk leaders who meet on a quarterly basis to administrate the charity. You will be expected to chair those meetings plus the Step Out Sheffield AGM. All meetings will be on Mondays, either face-to-face in the afternoon or remotely by Zoom in the early evening. As Chair we would expect you to work with the secretary to convene these meetings and oversee the actions agreed. Further involvement in the day-to-day activities of the charity is not essential but would be welcome.

We are looking for someone with experience of managing meetings (ideally as chairperson) and an interest in the core aims of the charity.

Sue Lee, 07905 239699, admin@stepoutsheffield.co.uk

Sheffield Food Chain

Cycle deliveries in pairs
Join our friendly team of cyclist volunteers to deliver surplus-food meals to people across Sheffield.

You'll cycle in pairs, with support from an experienced cyclist, and help safely deliver frozen meals that have been prepared using surplus food. Routes are up to **12km (long route)** or **8km (short route)**, and you can choose which route suits you best on the day.

We're looking for enthusiastic volunteers who are comfortable cycling Sheffield's hills and happy to get involved with a few different tasks:

- **Packing and handling** – Selecting and loading frozen meals into delivery bags, taking care around allergens and food handling.
- **Navigation** – Working together to plan and navigate your delivery route.
- **Communication** – Saying hello to people at the door where appropriate, and sharing any useful feedback or delivery issues with the team.

Where
Cemetery Road Baptist Church, 11 Napier St, Sheffield, S11 8HA
(Ring the big grey buzzer at the back on Napier St and a volunteer will let you in.)

When
Please arrive at **5.30pm**. We aim to finish by **7.30pm at the latest**.

What to bring
Please bring a bike with pannier racks fitted. We have pannier bags available to borrow if you need one.

After the deliveries
You're very welcome to stay for a hot meal with the cooks and other volunteers.

No specialist experience is needed — just a willingness to get involved, work as part of a team and help make a difference in the local community.

Will Cole, info@sheffieldfoodchain.org

Sheffield ME And Fibromyalgia Group

Sheffield ME and Fibromyalgia Group Befriending Volunteer
Living with ME/CFS, fibromyalgia or Long Covid can sometimes make it difficult or not possible to stay connected with other people. Limited energy, symptoms and changes to everyday life can all contribute to loneliness and isolation.

We're looking for friendly, reliable and compassionate volunteers to become **Sheffield ME and Fibromyalgia Group Befrienders** and help our members feel more connected.

Befriending is simple – **being there, having a chat and building a friendly connection.** You might:

- Have a regular chat by phone or online
- Meet for a coffee or a short walk, where appropriate
- Share interests and hobbies
- Listen and provide companionship

- Encourage someone to reconnect with activities or interests they enjoy
- Give someone something to look forward to each week or fortnight

We're looking for people who are:

- friendly, approachable and good listeners
- reliable and able to commit to regular contact
- respectful of different experiences, backgrounds and perspectives
- comfortable communicating by phone, online or potentially in person
- able to maintain appropriate boundaries
- patient and understanding of the fluctuating nature of ME/CFS, fibromyalgia and Long Covid.

You don't need professional counselling, healthcare or befriending experience. **We'll provide training, guidance and ongoing support.**

How much time does it involve?
Befriending is designed to be flexible, but consistency is important. We will agree the frequency and type of contact with you and the person you are matched with.
You don't need to have lots of spare time – we're looking for people who can make a **small but regular commitment**.

Find out more or register your interest at info@sheffieldmegroup.co.uk or www.sheffieldmegroup.co.uk

No professional experience needed – just your time, kindness and willingness to connect.

Sheffield ME and Fibromyalgia Group is committed to making our volunteering opportunities inclusive and accessible. We welcome people from all backgrounds and will discuss reasonable adjustments where needed.

Clare Clifton, 0114 253 6700, smefgdirector@sheffieldmegroup.co.uk

Sheffield Mencap and Gateway

Travel Training Volunteer
We are looking for a friendly and supportive volunteer to assist the Group Leader on our Travel Training Programme for people with Learning Disabilities.

The role involves:

- Supporting participants while travelling around Sheffield and surrounding areas.
- Helping people develop confidence, independence and travel skills.
- Encouraging and supporting members in a positive and patient way.
- Assisting the Group Leader to ensure everyone feels safe and included.

No previous experience is essential – just a willingness to support others, communicate well and help people build confidence.

Laura Zielosko, 0114 276 7757, volunteering@sheffieldmencap.org.uk

St Mary's Church

Helper at St.Mary's Cafe
St.Mary's community cafe, 'Holy Toast', is looking for friendly volunteers to staff its front of house team.

This opportunity is available on Wednesdays and volunteers would need to commit a minimum of 3 hours between 9:30 - 3:30 pm.
We are a friendly team looking for volunteers who are good team players, punctual and enjoy working in a customer facing role.
Duties include greeting customers, taking orders and serving food.

St.Mary's is one of Sheffield's leading not-for-profit community organisations. Our values are based on the three pillars of support, wellbeing and growth. Volunteers are the lifeforce of St.Mary's and our services are run by the community, for the community.

Mariam, 0114 223 0223, mariam.pasha@stmarys-church.co.uk

The National Children's Air Ambulance Service

Driver's Mate for the Children's Air Ambulance Charity store
Join our incredible team as a Driver's Mate for the TAAS Children's Air Ambulance charity shop! This is your chance to make a tangible difference in the lives of critically ill children by supporting our vital fundraising efforts. Be a crucial part of the team that keeps our charity shop running smoothly and helps us collect essential donations.

- Assisting our drivers with the collection of donated goods from generous supporters.
- Helping to load and unload items safely and efficiently.
- Providing friendly and helpful support to donors, representing TAAS with a smile.
- Ensuring all collected items are transported securely back to the charity shop.

This is a rewarding opportunity to get involved, meet new people, and directly contribute to saving young lives. If you're energetic, reliable, and want to be part of something truly special, we want to hear from you! Sign up today and become a hero for children!

Nicky Tschumi-Leake, 07745 645537, nicole.tschumi-leake@theairambulanceservice.org.uk

Be a Trustee!

Explore the latest Trustee and Management Committee roles in Sheffield

Why should I become a trustee?

- **Becoming a trustee could boost your career**

Trustees are exposed to a wide range of skills needed to oversee a charity: strategy and business planning, governance, HR, finance, marketing, fundraising, evaluation, property law and more. It can be an effective way to build your skills and your CV.

- Become a trustee and give back to your community

As a trustee, you can donate your skills, time and attention to a cause you love.
Trustees are often drawn to a charity because they're passionate about a particular cause, whether that's something they're interested in or something they've experienced themselves.

- Become a trustee and share your skills, knowledge and experience

Everyone has something unique to offer a charity.

What about the time commitment? Because charities are all so different, the time commitment can vary hugely – from around five hours per week to 30 hours per year - so it's vital you find a role that fits the time you can give.

Every trustee needs to:

• Make time to prepare for and attend meetings – sometimes once a month, but often 4 to 6 times a year; meetings vary from 1 to 2 hours to a full day each, depending on the charity and how often meetings are held.

• Be ready to support the charity between meetings or with other activities for example:

- Considering issues over email or discussing matters over the phone with staff, other trustees, or the charity's external advisers
- Helping organise a fundraising event or developing a fundraising strategy
- Doing the bookkeeping for the charity
- Acting as an ambassador for the charity
- Sitting on a committee that looks in more detail at a specific aspect of the charity's work, such as finance, HR or safeguarding.

If you would like to talk about the general responsibilities of a trustee or committee member, please contact vc@vas.org.uk

Age UK Sheffield

Age UK Sheffield Trustee
As part of our ongoing programme of Board development, we are now carrying out our annual recruitment for Trustees for our Charity.

If you are passionate about older people's issues, and are interested in joining our Board, we would like to hear from you. No previous experience is necessary.

Trustees are elected for three-year terms and can serve for up to three terms. Some existing Trustees are standing down later this year, leaving vacancies available for committed people who can bring us new skills, thinking and ideas. We would particularly welcome applicants from black and ethnic minority backgrounds, the LGBTQ+ community, and people with lived experience of health, financial or social issues affecting older people.

Please complete our Trustee application form and return it to recruitment@ageuksheffield.org.uk.

Evelyn Callewaert, 07384 894087, volunteering@ageuksheffield.org.uk

Bens Centre For Vulnerable People

Chair of the Board of Trustees
Key Responsibilities

- Chair Board meetings and ensure discussions are effective, inclusive and focused on the charity's strategic priorities.
- Support the Board of Trustees in fulfilling its governance responsibilities and maintaining good decision-making processes.
- Act as the principal point of contact between the Board and the Chief Executive Officer, providing support, guidance and constructive challenge.
- Work with fellow trustees to ensure appropriate oversight of the charity's finances, risks and long-term sustainability.
- Support the recruitment, induction and development of trustees to ensure the Board remains effective and diverse.
- Promote the values, mission and reputation of Ben's Centre and act as an ambassador for the organisation where appropriate.
- Encourage a positive, collaborative culture in which all trustees contribute to the governance and success of the charity.

Personal Specification
Essential

- Commitment to the mission and values of Ben's Centre.
- Ability to chair meetings effectively and encourage participation.
- Good communication and relationship-building skills.
- Strategic thinking and sound judgement.
- Understanding of governance and accountability.
- Ability to provide support and constructive challenge.
- Commitment to equality, diversity, inclusion and safeguarding.

Desirable

- Previous trustee or board experience.
- Experience in the charity, health, housing, public or community sectors.
- Knowledge of issues impacting people experiencing homelessness, substance misuse or social exclusion.
- Experience of leadership, partnership working or organisational development.

Sarah Batty, 0114 279 9961, sarah@benscentre.org

Cast

Cast is looking for a new Chair of the Board of Trustees
Cast is seeking an experienced senior leader to join us as Board Chair Designate.

As an Arts Council England NPO and Theatre of Sanctuary, Cast welcomes over 120,000 people annually across 300+ performances and community projects. Following the appointment of Director James Blakey, you will lead our Board through an exciting period of strategic planning (2027-2032) and governance oversight.

What We're Looking For:

- Senior/executive leadership experience from any sector.
- Strong governance, strategic, and financial/data literacy.
- Passion for community engagement, equity, diversity, and the arts.

Commitment: 4 quarterly meetings (in person at Cast) + 1 Away Day per year, plus attendance at key events.

How to Apply: For full details and to download the Recruitment Pack, please visit our website: https://www.castindoncaster.com/jobs/chair-of-the-board/

Mary Swinden, 01302 303959, hello@castindoncaster.com

Element Society

Trustee
Element Society is looking for new volunteer trustees to join our Board and help shape the next stage of our development.

We are an independent Sheffield youth charity and have supported more than 10,000 young people since 2013. Our work includes youth work, outreach, alternative provision, education, wellbeing support, social action and youth voice.

We are particularly interested in people with experience in finance and risk, governance or legal, youth work or social care, income generation, people and culture, or education. You do not need previous trustee experience and we welcome people considering becoming a trustee for the first time.

As a trustee, you will contribute to strategic discussions and decisions, provide constructive challenge and help ensure Element continues to develop responsibly while keeping young people at the heart of what we do.

The expected commitment is around 1.5 days per quarter, including quarterly Board meetings, our AGM and an annual strategy day. Meetings are generally held in person at our Sheffield city centre office, although there may occasionally be an option to join remotely. Trustees can also choose to become more involved in Element's work and activities if they wish.

Applications are considered on a rolling basis.

Cleo Metcalf, 0114 299 9210, hello@elementsociety.co.uk

Hope for the Future

Chair of Trustees for Hope for the Future the UK's Leading Climate & Democracy Charity

Hope for the Future is seeking an inspiring, collaborative Chair of Trustees to guide our governance and help shape the next chapter of our mission. As the UK's only charity dedicated to equipping individuals and communities to effectively engage politicians on climate change and nature, our Chair will play a pivotal role in supporting our senior leadership team, ensuring robust governance, and fostering an inclusive, forward-thinking board culture.
This is an exceptional opportunity for an experienced leader or former trustee who is passionate about climate action, democratic engagement, and equity. You will steer our strategic growth, advocate for our vision, and ensure that diverse community voices remain at the heart of political decision-making across the UK.
Please visit our website for more information and to apply https://www.hopeforthefuture.org.uk/about-us/jobs/chair-of-trustees

Anne Dargue, 07870 444567, applications@hftf.org.uk

Hope for the Future

Join Our Board of Trustees at Hope for the Future, the leading Climate and Democracy Charity
Shape the Future of Political Climate Action: Join Our Board of Trustees

Are you passionate about climate justice, democratic empowerment, and creating real policy change? Hope for the Future is recruiting new Trustees to join our dynamic governing board. As a trustee, you will help oversee our strategic direction, ensure financial and operational health, and champion our unique approach of building constructive, non-partisan dialogue between constituents and elected representatives.

Hope for the Future is entering an important next phase. We have ambitious multi-year programmes underway, a growing network of partners across the UK and an increasingly clear role as democratic infrastructure for climate and nature action. At the same time, like many charities, we are navigating a challenging funding and political environment. Our next trustees will help us make the strategic choices that determine Hope for the Future's next chapter.

We are committed to building a diverse board that reflects the communities we support across the UK. Whether you bring skills in finance, climate governance, fundraising, campaign strategy, or community engagement—or are seeking your first board role—we welcome individuals who share our dedication to inclusive, impactful climate action.

Anne Dargue, 07870 444567, applications@hftf.org.uk

House of Intuition CIC

Non-Executive board of directors.
I am looking for board members to join me in this important service, experience in areas such as:

- Finance/ Fundraising
- Strategy
- Governance
- Community Engagement/ Communication
- HR

No board experience required

House of Intuition CIC exists to support women and their children who are rebuilding their lives after experiencing trauma and may have relocated to Sheffield.

More women than are recorded are going through this experience, there are organisations out there who don't exactly fulfil the gaps that reveal themselves in such a disruptive time. As a founder with lived experience, I created this company to serve and fill the areas that others can't, in a unique way.

However, I need support to cater to this need. whilst i have solely incorporated the company I need to broaden the board, looking for others to contribution in a meaningful way especially those with experience in the areas above however even if you don't contact me to see if you can still be utilised.

Shevone Read, houseofintuition02@gmail.com

Portland Works

Portland Works: Director Vacancies
Portland Works is a community led organisation which employs 2 part time staff. The success of the enterprise depends to a large extent on our volunteers. We have vacancies for volunteers at Director level and welcome interest from anyone who feels they would like to become involved.

Portland Works was saved in 2013 by the people of Sheffield, and has an exciting future. The Grade II* listed building is owned by Portland Works Little Sheffield Ltd, a registered community benefit society. The Works was built in the second half of the nineteenth century, and is a rare largely intact survival of an integrated cutlery works. Portland Works is of international significance. Harry Brearley famously discovered stainless steel in Sheffield in 1913. He collaborated with Ernest Stuart the works manager at Portland Works to produce the world's first stainless steel cutlery the following year.
Today, Portland Works is a hive of industry and innovation. There are over 30 tenants involved in a range of enterprises, some involving forging and working with metals, others using new technology to innovate in other materials. The building is also a centre for creative arts and crafts.

As a Director you can play a major part in shaping the future of an already successful enterprise. Enthusiasm for our values and objectives are more important to us than technical skills and interested parties will be able to shadow directors and get to know the organisation and the Board before Director elections at the AGM.

If you feel this might be for you please email the Chair (Chair@PortlandWorks.co.uk) or the General Manager (GenManager@PortlandWorks.co.uk) to arrange a time for a telephone conversation or a visit to the Works. We look forward to hearing from you.

Ayesha Heaton, 0114 275 9354, genmanager@portlandworks.co.uk

SAVTE (Sheffield English Language Support)

Volunteer Trustee

- Help to connect and empower Sheffield communities
- Shape SAVTE's future
- Gain leadership experience
- Build your CV

Trustees support the paid staff who deliver the day-to-day work of the charity. The Board of Trustees has responsibility for making sure SAVTE is delivering against its mission to help communities and individuals realise their potential through English language skills and volunteering. We oversee the management and administration of the charity, helping the staff and volunteers do what they do best.

For more information about the trustee role, please visit our webpage Become-a-savte-trustee. At the end of the page, you will find our Trustee application form. Please apply to become a SAVTE Trustee using our form.

Katrin Klosa, 0114 212 3050, savte@savte.org.uk

Sheffield Futures

Trustees needed to join our board

We are looking for enthusiastic and committed new trustees to join our board and help shape the future of our charity, supporting young people across Sheffield to thrive and reach their potential. This is an exciting opportunity to use your skills, experience and networks to make a meaningful difference to the lives of young people in our city, while helping us strengthen and develop our organisation.

We are particularly keen to hear from people with a background in **marketing and communications**, who can help us raise our profile, tell our story and engage effectively with our supporters and wider community. We would also welcome applications from people with **business-sector experience**, particularly those who can bring strategic thinking, commercial awareness and an understanding of how organisations can grow and develop. You don't need previous trustee experience — we're looking for people who share our values, are willing to contribute their time and expertise, and are passionate about improving opportunities for young people in Sheffield.

Chris Hood, 0114 201 2800, chris.hood@sheffieldfutures.org.uk

Sheffield Mencap and Gateway

Trustee

Sheffield Mencap & Gateway is looking for ambitious and dynamic people to join our board of Trustees. We support children, teenagers and adults with learning disabilities and autism across many aspects of their lives.

As a Trustee, you will work alongside other Trustees to ensure the charity delivers its mission effectively and in compliance with statutory requirements. Trustees are collectively responsible for the governance and strategic direction of the charity, overseeing financial health, risk management, and ensuring the charity acts in the best interests of its beneficiaries.

Being able to contribute to the lives of those with a learning disability and/or autism through helping our charity

- First-hand experience and contribution to the decision making of a local charity
- Fun and pride in the achievements of the people we work with
- Practical, desirable experience as a Trustee

- Support from the Volunteer Co-ordinator and ongoing support from the Chair and trustees (initial interview would be from Chair, CEO and Trustees).

If you feel confident in making decisions and can commit to a minimum of a 2-hour board meeting every 2 months (with additional sub-committees for specialist areas), then we want to hear from you.

Laura Zielosko, 0114 276 7757, volunteering@sheffieldmencap.org.uk

Sheffield Young Carers

Chair of Trustees at Sheffield Young Carers
Sheffield Young Carers are looking to recruit a Chair of the Board of Trustees to take us forward and support our vital work with young carers and young people impacted by familial substance misuse. This hugely rewarding opportunity will use your skills and experience to work alongside an expert and stable staff team with an excellent reputation.

Sheffield Young Carers (SYC) raises awareness of and provides support to children and young people aged 8-25 who

- provide care for one or more family members who have disabilities, long-term physical illnesses, or mental illnesses
- are affected by drug and alcohol issues in their family (now or in the past)

SYC aims to reduce isolation and stigma; increase young people's access to social, educational and career opportunities; and provide practical and emotional support. We offer one-to-one and group support; holiday activities and breaks; family support; and support through key transitions, e.g. moving from primary to secondary school.??

There are around 5-6 board meetings per year including away days and formal meetings. There will also be meetings with the Co-Chief Executive Officers, along with attendance and support for various events. All trustees need to have a DBS and bankruptcy check, and undergo safeguarding training.

You don't need any prior knowledge of the work we do. Above all, you need to be committed to making a real difference to young carers/young people impacted by familial substance misuse and their families in Sheffield.

Sara Gowen, 07834 5509711, sara.gowen@sycp.org.uk

Stothard Supported Living

Chair of the Board
Are you a strategic and values-driven leader with a passion for supporting vulnerable adults? **Stothard Supported Living** is seeking an experienced and committed individual to serve as Chair of our Board of Trustees.

Stothard Supported Living is a small registered charity providing supported living and tenant management services for vulnerable adults. We currently manage nine supported living units on behalf of The Guinness Partnership, ensuring that residents receive safe, secure, and high-quality housing with person-centred support that promotes independence and dignity.
We are now entering an exciting new phase of development and are seeking an experienced and visionary leader to help shape our future. Our goal is to strengthen our financial sustainability, expand our services, and increase our positive impact in the community.

The Role
As Chair, you will play a vital role in guiding the organisation's vision, ensuring strong governance, and supporting the Chief Executive and board members to deliver meaningful impact.

Key Responsibilities
- Provide leadership to the Board, ensuring effective governance and strategic direction
- Chair board meetings, setting agendas and facilitating constructive and inclusive discussion
- Support and challenge the executive team to achieve the charity's objectives
- Oversee organisational performance, financial health, and risk management
- Act as an ambassador for the organisation, building relationships with partners and stakeholders
- Ensure compliance with all legal and regulatory requirements

What We're Looking For
- Proven leadership experience at a senior level (board or trustee experience desirable)
- Strong strategic thinking and sound judgement
- A commitment to improving the lives of vulnerable adults
- Excellent communication and relationship-building skills
- Understanding of governance, finance, or housing/social care sectors (desirable)
- Ability to dedicate approximately 4 hours per month

What You'll Gain
- The opportunity to lead and shape a growing, purpose-driven charity
- A chance to make a meaningful difference in people's lives
- Experience working alongside a committed and passionate board and leadership team
- Personal and professional development

This is a voluntary, unpaid position. Reasonable expenses will be reimbursed.

Location: Crookes, Sheffield

To apply, please send your CV and a short statement outlining your interest and suitability to admin@stothardsupport.org

Maia Salman-Lord, 0114 268 7626, admin@stothardsupport.org

SWWOP

Trustees to join the SWWOP Board of Trustees
Sheffield Working Women's Opportunity Project provides intensive support to vulnerable women involved in street prostitution.

We are looking for 2 – 3 Trustees to join our Board of Trustees on a voluntary basis. We welcome applications from people from various backgrounds, who have a passion for supporting vulnerable women, to join the Board.

We are particularly looking for someone to undertake the role of Treasurer
The Treasurer's roles would include the following:
- Supporting fellow trustees in understanding the charity's financial position, enabling the board to make informed, strategic decisions.
- Collaborating closely with the Finance Manager, attending regular meetings with her and the Project Manager to ensure accurate financial forecasting and monitoring.
- Tracking actual income and expenditure against forecasted budgets, identifying and addressing any variances or risks that may impact the charity's financial health.

- Working with the Fundraising Officer to support funding applications and explore new fundraising opportunities.
- Ensuring all statutory financial filings and returns (e.g., Companies House, Charity Commission) are completed accurately and submitted on time.

Time commitment: the Trustees meet every month for approximately two hours and there will be some additional time required for preparation for meetings etc. Our Trustee meetings are a mix of Zoom calls and meetings in person in Sheffield.
Travel expenses are available - these must be agreed in advance with the Chair of Trustees.

Applications should be emailed to the Chair of Trustees Polly Foster polly@swwop.org and include a cover letter and CV. For more information, please visit: https://swwop.org

Polly Foster, 0114 2536899, polly@swwop.org

WAND (Women's* Autistic Network and Development *Nonbinary and Trans included)

WAND - Trustees/Committee Members (various roles available)
WAND is a Sheffield community for autistic women and marginalised genders — reducing isolation and building genuine connection through events, networking, and peer support. We're looking for people who want to help us grow.
Community-led | Sheffield & surrounding area | Flexible commitment | Roles can be shared

TRUSTEE ROLES — Join our executive committee
Trustees take on a defined leadership role and share responsibility for steering WAND's direction.

- Treasurer
- Volunteer Coordinator
- Administrator
- Fundraising Officer
- Social Media Officer
- Events Coordinator
- Data Controller
- Health & Safety Officer

The number and nature of volunteer roles may change over time, depending on the community's needs. WAND provides a community in Sheffield and the surrounding area for autistic women and marginalised genders, to reduce isolation and improve wellbeing through networking, events and peer support.

Maya Rodriguez-Hunter, 07432 212457, wand.sheffield@gmail.com

Zest

Volunteer trustees wanted: 1X HR Lead, 1 X Treasurer
Could you make a real difference and play a part in making our community a beacon for health, wellbeing and equality?

Zest is looking for a Treasurer and a HR Lead to join our Board of Trustees. You'll be working with our teams and the general public to help build a community we can be proud of in Upperthorpe, Netherthorpe and the surrounding areas.

The rewards of trusteeship are numerous. Not only do trustees get an enormous sense of wellbeing and purpose but it's a great opportunity to develop strategy, finance, HR, and marketing skills. It also provides a setting in which to test your leadership qualities in a high-level business environment. Wonderful for career development.

To apply or find out more information check out the roles on our website:
HR Lead Trustee, Trustee Treasurer

Sean Markham, 0114 270 2040, volunteering@zestcommunity.co.uk

Frequently Asked Questions

Can I volunteer?
Anyone can volunteer. People already in employment, full-time or part-time, refugees and asylum seekers, retired, students, unemployed and anyone else not mentioned here. Really, volunteering is for everyone.

When can I start?
It can take a few weeks for you to go through the application and recruitment process. The one thing that often takes the most time is the DBS police check (formerly CRB), though not all volunteering requires a police check.

What about my expenses?
Organisations should pay your travel and out of pocket expenses. To be registered with us we require this. Please contact us if you have had difficulty securing these expenses.

Do I need particular skills to volunteer?
Sometimes, depending on the voluntary role. But very often no particular skill is required; the organisation will give you the right training for your role.

How soon might I be able to find a paid job after I volunteer?
There is no guarantee that volunteering will lead to paid employment. But you will get a lot out of volunteering including new skills, experience and confidence, which can help with job prospects.

Will I get any support as a volunteer?
You should be given an induction when you start, training that is relevant to your role and catch-ups or supervisions relevant to your role.

I am an asylum seeker - am I allowed to volunteer?
Yes - you can volunteer as many hours as you want. There are no restrictions on asylum seekers volunteering. You are not allowed to do 'unpaid work' but volunteering is different.
You are allowed to volunteer in a charity. Ask us for more information.

I'm on benefits - can I volunteer without losing my benefits?
Yes, you can - plus volunteering is recognised as giving you a better chance of finding paid work. So, you can volunteer as many hours as you like while you are on benefits, as long as you still meet the terms for getting them. If you are claiming Jobseeker's Allowance, this will mean you still need to look for paid work and you must be free to start a job with one weeks' notice.
It might be good to discuss your volunteering with your benefit agency so they are in the picture.

I am under 18 - can I volunteer?
Yes, you can. There are a range of opportunities set up for younger volunteers; you can download a list of these from our website. If you need help doing this, please call us on 0114 253 6649 or e-mail vc@vas.org.uk

I have a criminal conviction - can I volunteer?
You can, and many people with criminal convictions do. It all depends on the nature of your conviction, how recent it was, the kind of voluntary role you would like and the organisation where you wish to volunteer.

Any other questions? Please call us on 0114 253 6649 or email vc@vas.org.uk

Rights and responsibilities

As a volunteer you have a right to:

- Travel expenses
- Induction and relevant training
- Support and supervision
- Safe working conditions
- Insurance cover
- Being treated in accordance with an organisation's equal opportunities policy
- Access to a Complaints Procedure

Your responsibilities are:

- Working within the organisation's policies and procedures, which will be explained to you
- Working within the boundaries of the volunteering task profile
- Maintaining confidentiality as appropriate
- Informing the Volunteer Manager of any problems.

sheffieldvolunteercentre.org.uk

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0114 253 6649

Drop-in open 10am – 4pm (Tuesdays only)

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