



Opportunity Bulletin

Spring 2017



A selection of volunteering opportunities in
North Devon



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North Devon Voluntary Services (NDVS) is a founding partner of
Devon Voluntary Action

What is the Volunteer Support Service?

As part of Devon Voluntary Action, North Devon CVS offers a combination of self-search, face to face, email and telephone volunteering advice tailored to suit your needs through our Volunteer Support Service. We have advisors who can help people wanting to volunteer and organisations offering voluntary roles to find one another.



Search online for volunteering

If you like using the internet and want to search through all the available roles, use our dedicated system, Volunteer Connect Devon, for searching for your local opportunities.

www.devonva.org/volunteer

You can **search** through all our volunteer roles and **register** too!

This service is totally free for volunteers and non-profit organisations and there are a wide range of different volunteer roles you can apply for.

Sign up online and you can:

- Search and apply for volunteer roles
- Manage your profile
- Choose if you want to be on our volunteer bank. If you do, organisations searching for volunteers might want to invite you to apply for roles which you have been 'matched' with.



Call us on the phone

If prefer to speak to someone over the phone, then you can call us on 01271 866300.



Email us

It is also possible to email for advice and information on volunteering. To see how we can help email clare@devonva.org, your local Volunteer Service Coordinator.

Here is just a small selection of the volunteering opportunities that are available on Volunteer Connect.

Barnstaple Shop | Back Room Volunteer

Children's Hospice South West

Barnstaple

Do you have an interest in fashion? Do you know your high street labels?
Would you enjoy being part of a team?

Stephanie Robey volunteer@chsw.org.uk 01271 344685

Barnstaple Shop | Till Operative Volunteer

Children's Hospice South West

Barnstaple

We are looking for people to help customers with their purchases and be an excellent ambassador for Children's Hospice South West.

Stephanie Robey volunteer@chsw.org.uk 01271 344685

House and/or Carriage Museum Room Guide

National Trust - Arlington Court

Barnstaple

Room Guides have a vital role to play in bringing National Trust places to life, for inspiring our visitors and helping them to learn more about their place in an interesting and enjoyable way. Room Guides also play a valuable part in safeguarding our interiors and collections.

Dave Gibbons david.gibbons@nationaltrust.org.uk 01271 850296

Sales Assistant Volunteer

Oxfam - Barnstaple

Barnstaple

Sales assistant volunteer

Karen Lambert oxfamshopf3238@oxfam.org.uk 01271372450

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Admin Support

Encompass Southwest

Barnstaple

Admin volunteer for a project working on financial capability for those with limited access.

Louise Merrifield info@bpag-encompass.org.uk 01271371499

Benefits Outreach Adviser

Encompass Southwest

Barnstaple

Based across North Devon and Torridge you will work in close partnership with our experienced team of money and debt advisers you will assess client's eligibility to access a range of benefits including pension credit, attendance allowance and disability living allowance, initially through telephone contact. If eligible you will visit clients to complete benefit forms on their behalf.

Claire Fisher or Louise Merrifield c.fisher@bpag-encompass.org.uk
01271371499

Diner volunteer

Encompass Southwest

Barnstaple

Helping provide meals for those who are rough sleeping, in financial poverty or socially isolated. the role is varied and will included sorting out donations, serving hot drinks/toasts and interacting with client group

Claire Fisher or Louise Merrifield c.fisher@bpag-encompass.org.uk 01271
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Befriender/Buddy

Leonard Cheshire - Westmead House

Braunton

We are looking positive, enthusiastic and approachable individuals to visit the residents here at Westmead and assist with simple activities, such as reading, playing games, doing puzzles or simply having a coffee and a natter.

Marie Govier marie.govier@leonardcheshire.org 01271 815195

Volunteer Driver

Leonard Cheshire - Westmead House

Braunton

Westmead House is a Leonard Cheshire care home in Braunton for adults with physical disabilities. We are looking for Volunteer Drivers to help residents get out and about. Could you spare a few hours a month to help a disabled person socialise, go shopping and pursue their interests? Our residents face challenges accessing leisure & social activities. By becoming a volunteer driver you could make a huge difference to someone's life and open up a new world of possibility for them.

Marie Govier marie.govier@leonardcheshire.org 01271 815195

Volunteer Gardener

Leonard Cheshire - Westmead House

Braunton

We are looking for green fingered people to help with the upkeep of our garden at Westmead House. We have a small pond and some flower beds that could do with some TLC and maintenance. It may be that a volunteer simply wants to garden which is fab or it may be that a volunteer may wish to work with the service users helping them to create their own flower bed/ garden projects... this would also be fantastic!

Marie Govier marie.govier@leonardcheshire.org 01271 815195

Information for Organisations at Volunteers' Week 2017 Awards

This is a small selection of the volunteer opportunities available across North Devon.

This Volunteer Opportunity Bulletin is produced on a quarterly basis with a geographical focus and can be distributed to our volunteer hubs and at volunteer events.

This is a free service we offer to organisations who are using Volunteer Connect to promote their volunteer opportunities.

Volunteer Connect is our dedicated online system which is easy and quick to use enabling you to advertise your volunteer roles, manage and track volunteers who've registered interest.

You can also login and proactively search our volunteer bank for volunteers who meet your requirements.

If you are not already advertising roles with us, it's a free service and you can sign up and get started online.

Why not have a look at www.devonva.org/volunteer.

You can also contact Clare Humphreys, your Locality Volunteer Service Coordinator for more information on clare@ndvs.org.uk.

Everyone has something to offer and can make a difference, just by giving a bit of their time. There are many reasons people decide to volunteer including gaining new skills, building confidence, meeting new people and transforming communities.

We want to make becoming a volunteer as easy as possible for everyone, no matter who you are, what your age or background is or where you come from.

**If you are thinking of volunteering,
we can help you find the right opportunity for you.**

Search online: www.devonva.org/volunteer

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