

Volunteer Youth Service Role Description

VOLUNTEER TITLE:	Youth Service Volunteer
OUR CHARITY VISION:	Our Charity vision is, our borough is a place where every individual and community is valued, supported and can thrive.
OUR VALUES:	Welcoming, Collaborative, Empowering, Inclusive, Adaptable and Ambitious.
MAJOR OBJECTIVE OF TASK/PROJECT:	Our provisions/programme's use Sport, Life skill Workshops, Independent living Workshops, social action and employer encounters to engage and inspire young people, giving them the skills, experience and connections they need to get ahead in the world and employment. Our Stronger Future (The Business Plan) Programme offers employability; training; mentoring opportunities to young people aged 14 to 19 years from challenging backgrounds and at risk of becoming NEET.
VOLUNTEER	The youth team within the organisation engage with young people and their families and support our youth provision by empowering young people through social inclusion and learning & development opportunities that help to raise their aspirations and increase their life chances. Our provisions are the engaging tool to help us support the young people we work with in meeting their needs.
RESPONSIBILITIES	 Works in accordance with core values that promote equality of opportunity, participation and responsibility and safeguard young people's welfare. Assists with preparation and set up of youth provisions. Engage with young people. Using basic IT software. Understands the needs of young people, especially within the local area.

We will arrange an observation so that you can decide if volunteering is right for you.

SKILLS REQUIRED:	 A willingness to support those who may be disadvantaged or vulnerable. Inclusive and non-judgemental to the diverse range of service users at the Hub. Ability to be adaptable to the needs of the service, using initiative to help sessions run smoothly. Active listening and communication skills. Encouraging and empathetic interest in others.
TRAINING:	In-House training Attend relevant training courses/workshops
TIME COMMITMENT:	Minimum of 3 months
HOURS/DAYS/ LOCATION:	To volunteer for 3+ hours a week
	Days: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday OR Friday evening.
	Location: various sites around Waltham Forest
SUPERVISION:	Direct supervision and support will be given by qualified youth workers.
BENEFITS:	Development of new skills inc team wok; communication and leadership skills, accessing training to further personal development, meeting a challenge, preparation for a career in youth work.