

# Promoting Volunteering Across Derry City & Strabane District Council Area



## Volunteer Opportunities Winter 2023/24

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For more information on any of the opportunities listed please contact  
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Hurt is a unique drop in centre offering holistic approaches to addiction, recovery and family support. Their charity shop "The Quirky Corner" based at Quayside shopping centre Strand road is now recruiting volunteers to help with all activities in running a shop to raise important funds for HURT.

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**Deeds are now recruiting for volunteers to support their activities across Derry & Strabane**  
**If you are compassionate and caring and could share a few hours each week we would love to hear from you. Join their volunteer team today**



Easilink Community Transport are recruiting social car scheme volunteers for their Rural Links Project. By volunteering you will help to connect people to and from hospital and health related appointments. You decide what time you can commit. Role Available Monday - Friday; Full induction; support & supervision; mileage reimbursed @50p per mile; clean driving licence & own car required for the role.

Older People North West /Age Concern are currently recruiting volunteers for the following areas: Listening Ear, Volunteer Drivers, Cooks & Kitchen Assistants: For more information please contact [info@nwvc.co.uk](mailto:info@nwvc.co.uk) 02871271017



"Make your world bigger, by volunteering locally"

Macmillan Buddy Volunteers provide direct support in someones home or offer a listening ear over the phone. [Click here for more information](#)

**MACMILLAN  
CANCER SUPPORT  
RIGHT THERE WITH YOU**



**As part of a Zero Waste North West initiative you will be fixing bikes that have been saved from landfill, helping to repair them and put them back into the community**

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PAPYRUS is looking for volunteers to help raise awareness of young suicide, the biggest killer of under 35s in the UK. They need volunteers to raise awareness of suicide prevention in their community and to deliver awareness raising sessions for local groups.

What will you get out of Volunteering?

- PAPYRUS Suicide Prevention Training
- Regular check ins with your Area Volunteer Co-ordinator
- Flexible opportunities
- Expenses for travel and food (Claimed weekly)
- Recognition & reward
- .....and a HUGE THANK YOU!

There is a stigma around talking about suicide and PAPYRUS want you to help them smash that stigma across Northern Ireland.

Volunteer and become part of the St Columb's Park House garden community! The 'Garden Guardians' meet on a Thursday evening from 6-8pm and Saturday mornings from 10am - 12pm. They take on all manner of projects from designing an overall master plan for the walled garden, building raised beds, designing and planting a new topiary garden, managing the bees, and a whole lot more?

To find out more register your interest today.

Over 18's only.



**RNID are recruiting for the following:**

- **Meet & Greet**
- **Community volunteer**
- **Hearing aid support volunteers**

**For detailed role descriptions email:  
info@nwvc.co.uk**

**Opportunities are available across the  
Derry/l'derry & Strabane areas**





Visually Impaired, Visibly Empowered

ForSight Charity Shop are recruiting volunteers for the following roles:

**Retail Volunteer:** Assisting the shop manager in the day to day running of the store to include customer service duties.

**Stockroom Volunteer:** Behind the scenes roles are just as important as front of house! You'll be helping to ensure that the shop runs seamlessly, preparing stock for sale.

**Sense Virtual Buddy is a befriending service for disabled people of any age in the UK. The programme helps people connect, create new friendships and build confidence. Sense NI are now recruiting volunteers to match with and make a difference to people with a disability who live in Northern Ireland.**

Sense Virtual Buddy team matches each volunteer based on age, personality, interests and availability to make sure you have a good time together. Sense NI will help you find, arrange or suggest activities to get you started; try art, music, cooking, singing or whatever suits you both!



## Tech Volunteers

Would you like to support older and/or disabled people at home by offering one-to-one support with their technology, whether that's a computer, laptop, smartphone or tablet?

To find out what you will be doing, what skills you need and the benefits to you, please contact us:  
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Are you 16+, can you spare a few hours per week?  
The following Volunteer roles are currently available  
at Altnagelvin Area Hospital:

**Day Centre Helper:** To support staff in providing  
day activities and services to adults with a  
learning disability

**Wayfinding:** To provide assistance in directing or  
accompanying those who need it, to the  
appropriate clinic / ward

**Outpatients Meet & Greet:** To welcome patients  
on arrival and assist with their check in

**Meal time Friend:** To offer encouragement and  
support to those patients requiring assistance at  
mealtimes

**Macmillan Hub:** To provide information, help and  
support to patients and their families



**WOODLAND  
TRUST**

Whatever your skills or background, however much time you can give, you can make a difference!

Volunteers in the Faughan Valley area are involved in anything from building leaky dams to planting and coppicing trees, river monitoring and surveying a whole array of wildlife from bats to butterflies.

Volunteers are also offered accredited training so they can learn new skills that will enable them to help conserve their local areas.

If you're looking to make a difference in your local community why not consider joining the Red Cross Emergency Response Volunteer Team. This is a rewarding and vital role, connecting with and supporting those in need. Contact NWVC for more information



**BritishRedCross**

**St. John Ambulance are recruiting volunteers across the Derry City & Strabane District Council Area. Volunteers must be willing to offer a minimum of 60 hours per year on duties/training and aged 18+**



Air Ambulance NI, in partnership with the Northern Ireland Ambulance Service, provides the Helicopter Emergency Medical Service (HEMS) for Northern Ireland. The service brings urgent medical assistance to anywhere in the province, operating 7 days a week for 12 hours per day.

### **Casual Fundraising Volunteers**

**Fundraising Volunteers donate their time to help Air Ambulance NI. There are many opportunities including helping at planned events, collecting at street collections or assisting at a bag pack, to name a few. Full volunteer role descriptions are available on request.**



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Foyle**

A life-changing **NSPCC** service



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NORTHERN IRELAND

Childline Foyle are now recruiting volunteers @ their Foyle Base for their Childline volunteer team. If you would like to share you time and support children across the UK we would love to hear from you;

### Benefits of Volunteering at Childline Foyle

- Ongoing support, supervision, training and experience with one of the leading Child Protection Agencies in the UK
- Ongoing workshops and self development training
- Opportunities to build your confidence and learn new skills
- Travel expenses to and from the base
- Enhances employability / CV
- Access accredited training

### Volunteer Roles Available

**1**

NSPCC Schools Service are now recruiting volunteers to help with the primary school programme "Speak Out Stay Safe", raising awareness of abuse and the importance of speaking with trusted adults

**2**

Childline - Volunteer  
Counsellors

**Full training & support provided**



EPIC (Empowering People In Communities) is an award scheme that recognises the contribution made by volunteers

It is available to anyone who makes a commitment of at least 50 hours in a

12-month period



EPIC Volunteer Awards is open to all ages and supported by Derry City & Strabane District Council  
To find out how to get an EPIC award for you or for a group of volunteers

contact us at: [info@nwvc.co.uk](mailto:info@nwvc.co.uk)

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# Training Courses

- Emergency First Aid At Work
- Food Safety in Catering
- Safeguarding Children
- Safeguarding Adults

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# ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT ACCESS NI

## What is Access NI

Access NI is a government body that carries out criminal record checks for people who are working or volunteering in community /voluntary and private sectors.

The North West Volunteer Centre is an umbrella body for Access NI. We support people who require a criminal record check application for their role within their organisation.

There are 3 different checks available; Basic, Standard, and Enhanced Applications Applications are made online by the individual and we can help to facilitate the process.

For More information about Access NI

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Call 02871 271017/07706291964



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