



Taking people
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Volunteering

A guide for potential volunteers



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Volunteering for WACA



Winners of Wellingborough Carnival 2010

Why volunteer?

- To help others
- To learn new skills
- To make new friends
- To build confidence
- To gain experience
- To improve prospects
- To make a difference

What qualifications do you need?

You do not need any qualifications but you must be at least sixteen years old

How much time will it take?

Hours and the period are negotiable but we would like you to volunteer for four hours a week, every week for six months.

Would you need to be police checked?

Yes. All volunteers will need to have a satisfactory Criminal Records Bureau check.

Could you claim expenses?

Yes. Our policy is that no Volunteer should be financially disadvantaged because of their voluntary work. So we can reimburse bus fares and provide a mileage allowance etc.

Would volunteering effect your benefits?

Providing you remain available for work, you can volunteer without your Jobseeker's Allowance being affected. If you are on other benefits eg Incapacity Benefit you may need permission to volunteer, so you should always let your benefits delivery office know before applying to volunteer.

What if I cannot volunteer for a continuous period?

Providing you advise us in advance we can make alternative arrangements.

Will you receive training?

Yes. All Volunteers must undertake an induction training programme and will then be eligible for a range of optional free training courses.

Where will you work?

WACA provides a comprehensive range of services for the Community so we are confident that we can provide you with the right volunteering opportunity. You can choose to work with the elderly, our youth programmes, supplementary school, recording studio, catering service, administration, Licensed Bar, Legacy programme etc.

Can you volunteer if you work full time?

Yes. There are opportunities to work during the evenings and at week-ends.



Day Centre Activities

Services to the community

- Dances
- Conference facilities
- Catering Service
- Licensed Bar
- Games Room
- Community Hall
- Balcony Hall
- HIVE Youth Club
- Social Nights
- Members Night
- Day Care
- Supplementary School
- Mini Bus Service
- Massage
- Domino Club
- Women's Group
- Carnival Club
- Black History Club
- IT Suite
- Training Programmes
- Churches
- Trips



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