

FareShare North West

Unemployed? Want to be active and gain skills while helping to fight hunger and tackle food waste?

FareShare North West works with the food and drink industry to minimise food waste by redistributing quality food to organisations working with homeless and disadvantaged people.

FareShare are pleased to offer a 10-week volunteering placement for people who want to gain experience as warehouse and delivery assistants.

What could FareShare offer you as a volunteer?

New skills, experience and full training in the role

Accredited Food Safety qualification

Career, CV advice and support

A reference for future employers

Travel and lunch expenses

The opportunity to give practical help to fight food poverty and reduce food waste (and associated CO2 emissions) Meeting like-minded people and make new friends

Back on Track Volunteer Opportunities

Back on Track is a charity that helps disadvantaged people make a fresh start. As part of a new project, we are helping ex offenders to get involved in voluntary work.

Volunteer Group Supervisor

Do you have practical skills in painting and decorating, gardening, cleaning etc that you'd like you share? Are you able to motivate and engage others? Feel confident leading a small group?

We will be running voluntary projects including decorating, cleaning, catering, gardening and car washing, and are looking for volunteers with practical skills to support and supervise small groups on these tasks.

Volunteer Driver

Are you a confident driver? Do you have some time on your hands?

We often arrange for our service users to take part in volunteering opportunities across Greater Manchester and we currently urgently require drivers to transport small groups of service users to and from sessions.

For more information and an application pack visit www.backontrackmanchester.org.uk

Volunteer Contact Details

We have received a number of queries in recent months from volunteers who have not been contacted by event organisers. One of the main concerns volunteers have raised is that organisers are only contacting those volunteers with e-mail addresses. Therefore, we have decided to no longer provide e-mail addresses on the contact lists we send to event organisers. Hopefully, this should help alleviate some of the issues you have been having as this will mean event organisers will have to send all details by post.

However, please be aware this will not guarantee a response all of the time, so if you are experiencing problems with event organisers please contact the MEV Team on 0161 234 1532.

CONTACT US

Manchester Event Volunteers

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MANCHESTER
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The Manchester Weekender

Friday 14 October to Sunday 16 October

Manchester's Museums and Galleries are holding the second Manchester Weekender, which is a long weekend of art, culture, music, food, drink, spectacle, film, literature, debates and games all wrapped up into a single city guide. It takes place around the city's cultural venues but includes public spaces, bars, shops, clubs and restaurants. It is a unique Mancunian experience that's about intimacy and fabulous locations. It sees nine museums and galleries working alongside the city's theatres and orchestras, major festival organisers, retailers, hoteliers and tourism agencies to programme a weekend of inspiring cultural events.

We require volunteers over the weekend to support delivery of this ambitious programme, by providing a 'public face' and information to the public about specific events and the Weekender as a whole. Volunteers will have a Weekender T shirt to wear to identify them to the public and will receive travel expenses.

We have identified 24 slots/events at which we will need volunteers and estimate that we need the following support:

Friday 14th October 2 volunteers 6-8pm at Royal Exchange Theatre

Saturday 15th October 2 volunteers -10am-1pm & 2 volunteers - 1pm-4pm at Salford Quays - working between the Quays, Lowry and Media City

You will need to help meet people from boat trips; guide people to Unlocking Salford Quays guided tour, and provide support for Len Grant's public event if necessary

Up to 2 volunteers 11-3pm (approx) in City Centre

You will need to accompany promenade theatre performances in Manchester by Lip Service theatre company at 11.30am and 2pm

Up to 2 volunteers 1.30-4pm at Manchester Craft and Design Centre

You will need to support a programme of live world music performances in the craft centre

Up to 2 volunteers 4.30-6pm at Manchester Cathedral

You will need to support a drop-in performance poetry workshop inspired by football, organised by NFM and held in the Cathedral

Up to 2 volunteers 6.30-7.30pm at Bridgewater Hall

We may need people to give out Weekender leaflets to BBC Phil audience

Sunday 16th October up to 2 volunteers 10.30-12.30pm at The Triangle

You will need to support a drop-in performance poetry workshop inspired by football, organised by NFM and held in the Triangle

2 volunteers 11.00am-1pm & 2 volunteers 1pm -4pm at Royal Exchange Theatre

You will need to support a series of walks and tour events that start from the Royal Exchange

Up to 2 volunteers 12.30-2pm at John Rylands Library

You will need to support a Garland Procession with a Classically trained Indian dancer that starts at 1.30pm at John Ryland's Library

Up to 2 volunteers 1.30 - 4.00 at Chetham's Library

You will need to support guided tours at 2pm and 3pm

Up to 2 volunteers 2.30-4.30 at Portico Library

You will need to support an Afternoon tea event with a vintage-twist

Wanted: Host Homes for the Global Xchange Programme

Global Xchange is a partnership between VSO, The British Council and other partner organisations around the world. Working directly with the UK Department for International Development (DFID), Global Xchange is part of the pilot year of International Citizen Service (ICS).

In Manchester Global Xchange will be run through local partner organisation Greater Manchester Youth Network, offering a cross-cultural exchange programme.

In October 2011, a team of 20 volunteers (aged 18-25) from India and the UK will be arriving in Manchester. They will spend over 6000 hours engaged in voluntary work in the local community over a period of 12 weeks. Having completed their time in Manchester, the whole team will then spend three months working with local projects in a community in India.

Community Hosts Needed

We are currently appealing for people in Manchester to host pairs of volunteers involved in this exciting programme. Any home can host; families, singles, flat-share and couples are all welcome.

A cultural experience from the comfort of your own home...

Are you...

Hospitable

Open to learning about another culture

Able to offer a spare room (volunteers can share)

Available for anything between 2 and 12 weeks

...able to host a pair of volunteers

As cross cultural learning is an integral part of Global Xchange, we are asking for people to accommodate a pair of volunteers (1 from India and 1 from the UK) from October to December 2011. Volunteers are expected to be one of the family and are not expected to be entertained. They will fit in with your schedule and are willing to cook and clean for themselves if necessary.

We provide:

A weekly allowance (£100 per pair) to put towards food costs and utilities

Volunteers who have gone through a selection process and training

A briefing for you before the volunteers arrive

Two Programme Supervisors on hand for support whenever necessary

Opportunities to be involved with the programme

For further information, please contact Becci Cunningham, Global Xchange Programme Supervisor
t: 0161 274 3299 m: 07790 687776 e: becci.cunningham@gmyn.co.uk or visit the website:

www.globalxchange.org.uk

“CREATURES OF THE NIGHT”

FRIDAY 28TH OCTOBER 5pm - 10pm PLATT FIELDS PARK, Fallowfield, M14 6LA

Special community event for Hallowe'en

- CINEMA IN THE PARK ... Films for kids early and adults later;
- LANTERN WALK with giant wild creatures lit up in the trees;
- THE DARKSIDE environmental art exhibition from dusk to darkness between the trees

Volunteer stewards required to help set up and run the event with the Friends of Platt Fields and powwow. Hot drinks and soup refreshments for all helpers!!

VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION NUMBER

Have you attended an Induction and received your Volunteer Registration Number? If not please contact the team on 0161 234 1532 or e-mail info@mev.org.uk
Once you receive your number you can use it to join MyMEV and begin using the website.

The Stroke Association Fundraising Events

The Stroke Association is the only UK wide charity solely concerned with combating stroke in people of all ages.

The Stroke Association funds research into prevention, treatment and better methods of rehabilitation, and helps stroke patients and their families directly through its Life After Stroke Services.

We have arranged a number of fundraising events to raise much needed funds as follows:

Halloween Howler Sunday 30th October Heaton Park Manchester

This 5k fancy dress fun run is set to be a fantastic event! We're looking for event marshals, car park marshals, registration desk volunteers and volunteers to help at the petrifying post-event party! **For more information about this event please go to www.stroke.org.uk/halloween**

Resolution 15k Sunday 20th November Tatton Park Cheshire

We're looking for event marshals, car park marshals and registration desk volunteers to help us out with our first running event in Tatton Park. **For more information on the event please go to www.stroke.org.uk/resolution**

Santa Cycle, Manchester Sunday 27th November Velodrome

For this festive event we're asking everyone participating to don their white beards and santa hats to join us for an 8 mile cycle around the UK's most iconic cycling building. We're looking for event marshals, registration desk volunteers and people to help us with our festive celebration after the event. **For more information on this event go to www.stroke.org.uk/santacycle**

Volunteer ESOL Teachers needed

Would you like to help people in Manchester who need to improve their English skills? Are you interested in getting into teaching?

If you answered yes to one or both of these questions and have good verbal and written communication skills, this could be the opportunity for you!

We are looking for volunteers to teach English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) to beginners in community settings across Manchester. This is a great opportunity to gain experience and develop new skills while making a difference to peoples' lives. By volunteering on this project you will gain experience of teaching, working as part of a team and working with learners from all over the world. You will also develop your communication, presentation and organisational skills.

If you can commit to a minimum of 3 hours voluntary teaching a week for at least 9 months, we will provide you with all the training and support you need.

In addition to the teaching commitment, you will be supported to attend and complete a 10 week training course which covers:

- Your role, responsibilities and the boundaries of your role in relation to teaching
- Appropriate teaching and learning approaches in the specialist area
- Session planning skills
- Delivering inclusive sessions which motivate learners
- Assessment methods and the need for record keeping
- Successful candidates will be awarded the City & Guilds 7303 Award in Preparing to Teach in the Lifelong Learning Sector (PTLLS) at Level 3. This is a general teaching qualification for new entrants to the lifelong learning sector, providing the first step towards further qualifications in teaching and training and career progression for those who want to work in the lifelong learning sector. The course requires applicants to have GCSE /Level 2 or equivalent demonstrable level in spoken and written English.

All volunteers will be subject to a Criminal Records Bureau (CRB) check and travel expenses will be reimbursed.