

MEV FREEPOST ADDRESS

Just a reminder to all volunteers that the FREEPOST address for Manchester Event Volunteers will no longer be active. If you are sending any postal correspondence to the team, you should address it to:

Manchester Event Volunteers, c/o Manchester City Council, Room 302, Level 3, Town Hall, Albert Square, Manchester, M60 2LA

Unfortunately any correspondence sent to the FREEPOST address may not reach us, so please remember to attach a stamp!

Alternatively you can send us information or contact us in the following ways:

1) E-mail your requests to info@mev.org.uk. **2)** Call us on 0161 234 1532 **3)** Fax us your letters or forms on 0161 274 0036 or **4)** Drop them into the central office. Don't forget you can download all your MEV documents from www.mev.org.uk/community/documents/

MEV WEBSITE - SIGN UP NOW!

As an MEV volunteer you are not automatically registered on our website and will have to sign up separately. So, if you have internet access, it's easy to join. You can sign up to the site by visiting the following address: www.mev.org.uk/community/mymev/

Once on this page you will have to :

1) Click on "Sign up to the website here". **2)** Go to the Normal Signup section. **3)** Enter your 6 digit Volunteer Registration Number (which starts with 50), your surname, postcode and date of birth, **4)** Create your own unique password. **5)** Verify your password and you're ready to go.

When you have signed up, you can check out the latest events and news, add your interest to the events you want to take part in, check out the Community Forum, change your personal details and chat to other volunteers via mevLive. **For help or more information contact the MEV team on 0161 234 1532.**

North West Ambulance Service - Volunteer Drivers Needed

CAN YOU SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL AMBULANCE SERVICE? Have you ever wanted to put something back in to the community and make a difference to the lives of others? North West Ambulance Service NHS Trust, Greater Manchester Area manages a voluntary ambulance car scheme which supplements the non-emergency tier of the service, with the aim to provide a safe and efficient transport service for patients travelling to and from hospital appointments.

Some of our patients often have to travel either early morning or into the late evening to receive their treatment and we operate seven days a week – even on bank holidays. Applicants should possess excellent communication skills along with a caring and diplomatic nature. You must hold a valid EU Driving License (which has no more than 3 endorsement points. In exceptional circumstances a maximum of 6 points may be considered).

Register your interest by calling 0161 234 1532 or log into your account at www.mev.org.uk and more information/application pack will be sent to you.

Cancer Research UK - Collection at Middlebrook Retail Park, Bolton

This year, the Middlebrook Retail Park in Bolton have chosen Cancer Research as their Charity of the Year and they are looking for volunteers to come and help out for as much time as you can give at a collection on the following dates:

Monday 24th August, Tuesday 25th August, Wednesday 26th August 10am - 4pm

The role will be to stand with a collection bucket to raise money for Cancer Research UK outside the shops, but there is cover if it rains. **Expenses will be reimbursed with a valid receipt.**

Therapeutic Services - Big Life Centres

Big Life Centres enable people to live their best lives. It does this by developing health and well-being centres that deliver holistic services to improve the quality of life in disadvantaged areas. It enables people to make choices for themselves.

Following service user questionnaires in the autumn of 2006, Therapeutic Services at the Kath Locke Centre established a low-cost complementary therapies clinic for local people. Trained volunteer therapists were recruited to offer massage, reflexology, facials, Indian head massage, shiatsu, manicures and pedicures for a minimum donation of £10. This service is proving very popular and we are looking to set this service up in our other centres in Partington, Salford, Stockport, Cheetham Hill and the Zion Centre in Hulme.

We are looking to recruit a team of volunteer therapists to work within our centres. We aim to provide a high class opportunity for people to develop their skills and gain experience within the community. In return we will offer you out of pocket expenses, training, supervision and the opportunity to make a difference to people's lives.



Emerge, Green Volunteering in Manchester!

Find exciting environmental volunteering opportunities near you.

Do you want to: Do something to improve your local area. Improve your employability, skills and confidence. Support environmental organisations in Manchester. EMERGE can help by finding inspiring volunteer opportunities that suit you!

Emerge FareShare

No Good Food Should Be Wasted. EMERGE FareShare redistributes surplus food from the food industry to homeless and vulnerable people in Greater Manchester. It is estimated that 125,000 tonnes of food disposed of annually by retailers is potentially suitable for redistribution and more than 4 million people in the UK cannot afford a healthy diet. We need volunteers to make this project a success.

What Do EMERGE FareShare Volunteers Do?

Drivers and Driver's Mates to collect and deliver donated food to community groups. Drivers must be 25 Years + and have a licence with no more than 3 points.

Warehouse Assistants and Warehouse Supervisors

Training will be given and reasonable expenses will be reimbursed. Meet new people and give practical help to improve the diets of disadvantaged people.

Register your interest by calling 0161 234 1532 or log into your account at www.mev.org.uk

Outlook Project - Keen Gardener Required

Outlook is a project based in East Manchester that works with adults (19+) who are in treatment, on a reduction programme or recently detoxed from drugs and who are ready to make changes. Our service users have a measure of stability and a commitment to move forward into education, training and employment.

We are looking for a keen gardener to co-ordinate the garden project at Outlook. We have been successful in gaining further funding for the garden project and need someone with a keen interest in gardening to co-ordinate the project and promote the work needed to the members.

You will be expected to educate the members in how to keep the garden attractive and tidy, demonstrate gardening techniques, plant vegetables, recruit member volunteers and by using your gardening skills how you will enhance the environment for all those involved in the Outlook project.

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The British Legion - Poppy Appeal



The Royal British Legion's mission is to safeguard the welfare, interests and memory of those who are serving or have served in the Armed Forces and their dependents. These requirements are met by means of the money donated to The Poppy Appeal.

We need volunteers to help with The Poppy Appeal in central Manchester. The volunteering opportunities will cover the distribution and collection of Poppies and collecting tins, counting and recording the money from each tin and preparing the money for banking. We will also need supervisors in order to ensure the smooth running of the Appeal.

It is envisaged that the distribution, which will start from Monday 19 October, and the collection, starting Monday 16 November, will both take about 4 days, based on 4 hours per day. The counting and recording roles will cover approximately 6 days, based on 4 hours per day, also starting on Monday 16 November. The supervisory roles will need to cover the hours being worked.

All volunteers will be eligible for travel expenses, on production of their tickets, and a lunch allowance will also be payable. Full training will be given and all aspects of volunteering are covered by our health and safety guidelines. Volunteers, if they wish, will also be eligible for interview, and if successful, training to become a Royal British Legion Welfare Worker.



New Barnardo's ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) Mentoring Project

Barnardo's have started a new adult to adult mentoring project. The project aims to match up volunteer mentors with BME, (Black & Minority Ethnic)

residents of Manchester to meet regularly, to support the residents to develop everyday English language skills to widen social networks and improve employability.

We need to recruit volunteers to mentor someone in Manchester to develop their spoken English and progress towards work. We need volunteers to share their knowledge of the English language, of the job market in the UK, or even of a specific job. We would particularly like to recruit volunteers with experience of teaching within the UK.

Benefits to volunteer mentors:

Volunteers will be given training – no prior experience is necessary. Volunteers will be supported throughout the mentoring relationship. Volunteers will have access to Barnardo's internal vacancy list and will have the chance to meet someone regularly to see them progress

Action for Sustainable Living - Project Managers

Are You Ready for a Life Changing Challenge?

DO YOU WANT TO HELP MAKE YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY A CLEANER, GREENER MORE SUSTAINABLE PLACE TO LIVE IN?

Then why not VOLUNTEER and become a Local Project Manager for Action for Sustainable Living?

We are looking to recruit 10 Voluntary Local Project Managers who are residents of Manchester. If you are an enthusiastic, self-motivated person able to offer at least 8 hours per week, sign up with Action for Sustainable Living today.

“To me, the 8 hours per week that I contribute to Action for Sustainable Living are more meaningful than any full-time job in a non-sustainable organisation”

Voluntary Local Project Manager, City Centre

No previous experience necessary. **WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU?**

Get the job you want with voluntary experience.

Support, training, mentoring and resources.

Start something fantastic in your area, make a real difference!



Manchester Care Group Volunteers

Volunteers are the essential key to the smooth running of all the Neighbourhood Care Groups as without their commitment, encouragement, and vivacious enthusiasm the Neighbourhood Care Groups could simply not reach as many older people in our community as we do currently. As a result of the value we place on volunteers, we ensure volunteers benefit enormously from their involvement.

Why Volunteer?

A volunteer can hope to receive: A FREE CRB check. Specialist training and support. A safe and welcoming working environment which nurtures and develops your skills. Unforgettable experiences. Opportunities to work alongside dedicated health care professionals. A chance to make a difference!

Where?

Brooklands, Sale, Burnage, Chorlton, Didsbury, Ladybarn, Northern Moor, Withington

Register your interest by calling 0161 234 1532 or log into your account at www.mev.org.uk

City of Salford 10k Run & Salford Cycle Sunday 27th September Salford Quays

The organisers of the City Of Manchester 10k Run need your help to make this brand new event a success. We are looking for volunteers to assist in marshalling the two races. Duties will mainly be out on the course, handing out water or similar roles.

We are not in a position to pay expenses but all volunteers will receive a packed lunch and a race T shirt.

The race starts at 9.30am (briefing at 7.45am) - Volunteers will be required until approx 12noon

The cycle starts at 12noon (briefing at 11.00am) - Volunteers will be required until approx 5.00pm

Further details such as time of arrival, parking etc will be sent out nearer the time.

Register your interest by calling 0161 234 1532 or log into your account at www.mev.org.uk stating which race you would like to volunteer for, you may even like to do both.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY - Woodworker Needed, The Green Machine

The Green Machine team require a volunteer woodworker for a project being delivered at the Imani Centre, Victoria Park. The successful volunteer would be required to support a group of young people to build a picnic bench. Sessions are planned to take place on Saturdays during September and the volunteer would also need to supervise staff and advise the workers on what wood is needed etc.

MANCHESTER EVENT VOLUNTEERS Answer Phone Service

MEV core working hours are 9am - 5pm.
After 5pm (or when the office is empty), we now have our own answer phone service which can be accessed on any of our numbers
0161 234 1530 / 1531 or 1532.

If you are showing interest in events, please speak clearly and leave:

Your Name, your Address and Postcode, your Volunteer Registration Number, your list of event interests, along with the roles or the days you want to do. We can add them to the database for you.

If you need a call back, please let us know and leave your telephone number.

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