

Young Carers Assistant Volunteer Role Description

Ealing Carers Service aims to provide a holistic approach in supporting carers living in the London Borough of Ealing. This will be through social activities, support groups and advice, information and signposting.

The role of Young Carers Assistant Volunteer will be to assist the Young Carers Lead to deliver support sessions for carers from the age of 5 to 18. It is estimated that young carers make up at least one in every twelve secondary aged pupils, and many struggle with their education and their caring responsibilities. We aim to lighten that load by providing advice, training and social activities. It's a fun opportunity for a creative individual interested in working with young people.

Main Tasks:

- Assisting in the development and planning of events directed at young carers.
- Supervising young carers at events that are run at Sycamore Lodge, Elm Lodge or 'field trips' elsewhere.
- Offering any expertise or talents as potential activities you could lead for young carers i.e. arts and crafts; sign language; music lessons etc.
- Notifying the Young Carers Lead of any concerns or issues regarding the wellbeing of the children.
- Actively seeking new opportunities to expand the services we can offer young carers.

Skills & Experience Required:

- A positive and supportive approach.
- Patience and understanding.
- Reliability and an ability to maintain confidentiality and professional boundaries.
- An understanding of safeguarding vulnerable people (training provided).
- Experience with children (desirable).
- Willingness to undertake an enhanced DBS check.
- Any fun talents or skills welcome!

Support and Training:

You will be given appropriate orientation, training to carry out your role and regular supervision. We also aim to offer a number of social events throughout the year to integrate you into the team!

If you are interested in applying please fill in an Expression of Interest Form and/or email spaterson@carerstrustthames.org.uk in order to obtain one.

Thank you for your interest in supporting our growing service! We look forward to hearing from you.