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North West



Volunteering Opportunities

# Volunteers Needed

Include Me 2 is a project providing a range of play and leisure opportunities for children and young people from the age of 4-19, who have physical and learning disabilities. We now cover a total of 5 areas throughout Lancashire. Our aim is to minimise disadvantage and enable children and young people to enjoy as full a range of activities as possible.

## Benefits of Volunteering

There are many reasons why people choose to volunteer with Barnardo's Include Me 2 project:

- To support or work
- Do something worthwhile
- Meet new people
- Learn new skills
- Gain valuable experience
- Enhance their CV
- **HAVE FUN!**



# Volunteer Role Profile

**Role Title:** Volunteer Children/Young People Support Assistant

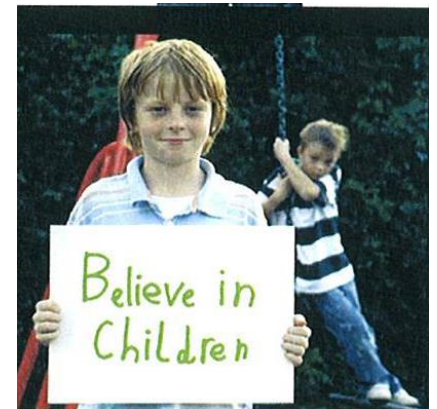
**Purpose:** To assist play staff in supporting children/young people primarily on a 1:1 basis, during afterschool evenings, weekends and school holidays in play & leisure activities

**Key Skills/Requirements:**

- To attend and participate in compulsory training sessions necessary to the role and development undertaken
- Have good time keeping skills & be reliable
- Be friendly and empathic
- Ability to encourage children/young people to engage in activities
- Ability to apply Barnardo's Safeguarding & Child Protection procedure and comply with Health & Safety requirements and Equality, Diversity & Inclusion.
- Have commitment to work within Barnardo's Basis & Values
- Respect confidentiality.

**The commitment to volunteer either:**

- **Term time** – we ask for a minimum of two weekly sessions a month. These are afterschool evening groups and run for 2.5 hours
- **Weekends** – a minimum of one per month. These run 10-4pm
- **School holidays** – a minimum of one session per week in school holidays and these run 10am-4pm.



# Volunteer Role Profile Cont.

## We require all volunteers to complete:

Through the online Vol 1 system [www.barnardos.org.uk/volunteering](http://www.barnardos.org.uk/volunteering)

- Volunteer application form
- Provide contact details for 2 references
- Provide relevant I.D documents to complete an enhanced DBS clearing which is free of charge
- Attend 4 hour approx. initial induction training modules (prior to volunteering)
- Attend regular supervisions & meetings

## We provide all volunteers with:

- Initial induction meeting
- Various compulsory training modules
- Ongoing support & supervision
- Out of pocket expenses
- Opportunities for job, career and personal development
- Reference opportunities (after 6 months of volunteering)
- Opportunities to gain new experiences and knowledge
- Meet new friends and & have fun
- Make a huge difference to the lives of children/young people
- Volunteer recognition & awards



# Sounds Good. What Next?

Get in touch!

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