



Volunteering for Us

Why do we need volunteers?

Both LFF and the Stop it Now! Campaign operate on a national basis across the UK, and we are keen to ensure that our resources and services reach as many communities as possible. In view of the demands that such a provision places on the organisation, there is a need for us to recruit community-based volunteers to support the work that we do.

Benefits of volunteering for us

1. Small is beautiful! Whilst being a small charitable organisation has its disadvantages, the benefit is that we are able to get to know our volunteers on an individual basis – you won't get lost in the crowd, and bureaucracy is kept to an absolute minimum (never a bad thing)!
2. We have a variety of volunteering roles – so we would hope that there will be something there for everyone, and that the variety offered, enables you to develop from one role to another as you build your experience with us
3. You'll feel like part of the team! As one of our volunteers, you will be taken through a set Induction Programme (or a comprehensive training course for Circle Volunteers), which will ensure that you know all you need to know about the organisation, about your own role, and about how that fits into the "big picture" and contributes to our broader remit of work.
4. For those volunteers who are looking to expand their C.V.'s or develop their existing skills through gaining volunteer work – we will do our best to provide you with experiences that develop your knowledge and understanding of the work that we do and this, in turn, should broaden your perspective on the range of approaches that can be adopted in tackling the issue of child sexual abuse; furthermore, your experience of volunteering with us, may provide you with useful supporting evidence when making future job applications in this field of work. However, volunteering does not constitute a work placement nor will it provide subject matter for dissertations or research.
5. If you're wanting to "make a difference" or "give something back" after a lifetime of paid work – you will certainly achieve a sense of having made a positive contribution when you see how your activity has enabled others to better protect the children in their community – be that through leaflet distribution, helping at a community event, or working within one of our Circles
6. We'll offer you regular support, through a designated volunteer manager or with the Circles Coordinator and/or Practitioner for Circle Volunteers, with regular update sessions, so that you can tell us how you're getting on in your role and what we can do to support you further. Where appropriate we can give you feedback on the impact of your local work, along with guidance on how things might be developed in the future
7. Our Volunteers have a voice! You can contribute to the newly developed Volunteer Page on our website (e.g. tell other volunteers about a community event you've participated in on our behalf etc); locally, you can meet with other volunteers within your own region and feedback from these meetings to your volunteer manager, if you have any particular issues as volunteers.