

# **Volunteer Role Description**

Role: Rays of Sunshine Community Champion

**Location**: Various, across the UK, at our fundraising events

Hours: Flexible/by arrangement

**Length of commitment:** A minimum of 6 days per year

Volunteer Manager: Jaimal Patel, Challenge & Community Fundraising Manager.

### About Volunteering with Rays of Sunshine

We brighten the lives of seriously ill young people by granting wishes and providing ongoing support in hospital and within the community, but we couldn't do it without our amazing volunteers.

It's more than volunteering with us, it's making magic happen. By joining us, you'll play a crucial role in turning the dreams of seriously ill children into reality. In whatever role you take on - from helping with fundraising, events, or wishes, you'll help create memories that last a lifetime for seriously ill children and for you too.

### Purpose of role

We are looking for Champions to represent Rays of Sunshine in the community. Your role will be to raise awareness and engagement. This can include making introductions via your networks, giving talks to groups in the local community such as community centres, schools, and businesses, organising fundraising events and activities or collections.

The fundraising team at Rays of Sunshine is small but mighty but we recognise, volunteers can help us to achieve so much more. Many hands make light work.

To support the fundraising team, we need to recruit volunteers to help us fundraise, more ever before, so that we can continue to be there for seriously ill children in the UK.

### Main Tasks:

- Assist Rays of Sunshine by helping us tell every local business, rotary, church, temple, school etc. about our work.
- Represent the Rays of Sunshine at cheque presentations or local events on behalf of the Charity and officially thanking donors and hosts for their support.
- Attend and present at meetings of community groups such as Rotarians, Schools, Clubs, and Places of worship to deliver a talk to inspire them to support our work.
- Research and identify potential fundraising opportunities for local organisations.
- Organise fundraising events, campaigns and challenges in your community.
- Organise and support with bucket collections.
- Help promote our charity and fundraising activities by putting up posters, banners and promoting us on local social media sites.



• Join and set up local fundraising groups to work alongside you to help achieve greater awareness and engagement in your community.

#### What skills do I need to have?

- Good knowledge or desire to learn about the work of Rays of Sunshine services, and how passion for it.
- Personable with the ability to make introductions and influence people to support our charity.
- Articulate and comfortable speaking to different people and audiences.
- Ability to use initiative and find new opportunities.

## Why volunteer with us?

- Make a real difference: Witness the impact of your support firsthand as you spread joy and raise awareness.
- Join a supportive community: Be part of a friendly and passionate team, connecting with people who are driven to make more wishes happen.
- Gain experience and a great way to get involved in the charity sector.
- Enjoy flexible opportunities: volunteer at times that fit your schedule and interests, volunteering as much or as little as you like.
- Meet new people from different backgrounds.

## What training and support will I receive?

- Health and Safety training (mandatory).
- Information Governance training (mandatory).
- GDPR/Data Protection training (mandatory).
- Communication Skills training.
- Presentation skills.
- Learn about the work of Rays of Sunshine.

### Rays of Sunshine Values

Our values are at the heart of everything we do and help guide us in our mission to grant more magical wishes for seriously ill children.

- Kindness We are kind to ourselves and others in everything we do.
- Joy We work with fun, passion, and a sprinkle of magic.
- Empowerment We work to build confidence and nurture potential.
- Connection We build strong connections with everyone in our wish community.
- Integrity We are honest and trusted to do the right thing.

Rays of Sunshine is committed to being an equal opportunities organisation; to promoting equal opportunities and preventing discrimination. Rays of Sunshine is also committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all service users, volunteers and staff and expects all volunteers and staff to share this commitment.

To discuss becoming a Rays of Sunshine Community Champion Volunteer, please get in touch:



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