

Dementia Voice Activity Supporter Role description

Together we are help and hope for everyone living with dementia



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Why we need you

You'll be supporting local Dementia Voice activities which enable people affected by dementia to have a voice.

They do this by using their experiences to influence the work of Alzheimer's Society and the health and social care environment on matters to improve the quality of their lives.



What you will be doing

- Offering appropriate practical support to individuals taking part in Dementia Voice activities.
- Accompanying a person affected by dementia, if required, to Dementia Voice activities (you may transport them to activities, by car, on foot or by public transport).
- Engaging with people affected by dementia to support the coordination of Dementia Voice events.
- Support with administration tasks for activities and events for example making phone calls.
- Following our Dementia Voice specifications and best practice.



This role will suit you if you

- Are passionate about enabling people affected by dementia to share their experiences.
- Have an understanding of dementia and its impact on people and their needs.
- Can demonstrate empathy, compassion and patience.
- Are organised and have good communication skills, especially listening.



What you can expect from us

- We will make you feel welcome, included and respected.
- You will receive training, ongoing supervision and support.
- You can claim pre-agreed out of pocket expenses (for example, travel) in line with our policy.
- We'll keep you up to date with relevant policies and procedures that apply to your role.
- You'll have access to learning, development and engagement opportunities for volunteers.



What we need from you

To ensure the safety and security of people with dementia we ask for:

- Two references and proof of identity.
- You will need to complete a criminal record check, in line with the legal requirements. A criminal record will not necessarily stop you being able to carry out this role.
- To put the role into practice most effectively volunteers are recommended to continue for at least 6 months.
- Learning at the start will take about 2-3 hours, followed by periodic refreshers.
- You will need your own computer, internet access and phone.