

Volunteer role description

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Role details	
Role title	Youth Helper, Youth Services
Time commitment	Four to six hours a month – evenings (two sessions a month maximum)
Accountable to	Unit Manager

This person will be your main point of contact while volunteering for St John Ambulance. They will provide you with the support and supervision necessary for you to perform your role.

About St John Ambulance

No one should die because they needed first aid and didn't get it. St John Ambulance (SJA) teaches people first aid so they can be the difference between life and death, and you can help us do this.

Purpose of the role?

As a youth helper you will help to support the delivery of development opportunities on behalf of SJA through one of our programmes for young people (Badgers, Cadets, Peer Education, Youth First Aid or RISE). This will involve supporting young people alongside youth leaders, youth support leaders and others.

What would you be involved in?

- Assist in the provision of a safe, inclusive and open environment in which young people can learn first aid and explore contemporary values and issues
- Encourage and support the empowerment and participation of young people
- Always working under supervision, work with the trained Youth Leaders to support the young people's participation in the youth programmes
- Assist the Unit Management Team as appropriate with young people specific tasks.

What are we looking for?

- An enthusiasm for the work of St John Ambulance and an appreciation of our values
- Someone who has an interest in supporting young people to develop
- Someone who has good communication skills, especially with young people
- Someone who is able to work as part of a team under supervision
- Has experience of working with young people (but not essential).

Support and training available?

- Youth programmes policy and practice
- First aid training
- Safeguarding training.

Location of this volunteering role?

Role is unit based.

Role specific commitments?

- Induction and training for role
- We would like you to volunteer with us for no more than **two sessions** a month.

This role description is intended as an outline indicator of general areas of activity and will be amended in light of the changing needs of St John Ambulance. It is expected that the post holder will be as positive and flexible as possible in using this document as a framework.

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