

## Sept/Oct 2018 Hot Opportunities

If you would like to try something new and start volunteering, here are just a few of the current volunteering opportunities available in Derry City and Strabane District Council Area



Locally focused

Caring

Supportive

Professional

over 30 years delivery



**Make-A-Wish is looking for friendly and reliable volunteers who have great listening skills** and experience of working with families and children. You'll be visiting children who have been referred and helping them to unlock their wildest imagination to discover their One True Wish.

**Make-A-Wish aims to grant 1,000 wishes each year. It's a team effort** - and we simply can't do it without you. We'd be asking you to commit to at least 3 visits a year, whilst ensuring that you kept yourself up to date with all relevant updates and training.



Reading Rooms is a Verbal Arts Centre Programme that uses a unique reading aloud and shared reading model to encourage participants to share their ideas, thoughts or memories and start conversations inspired by the short stories and poems read by facilitators, who are all trained volunteers.

The Children in Need project is currently recruiting volunteers to work with children and young people at risk or in care. The volunteers will be offered free OCN accredited training in Facilitation Skills for Shared Reading (Level2). There are also opportunities for monthly peer- support meetings and invitations to bi-annual celebrations and other special events as part of our volunteer support activities.



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"To promote and provide volunteering opportunities and activities in the North West of Ireland for the benefit of individuals"

# CONCERN worldwide

## Concern Volunteer Adjudicators

All we need are good listeners who can see arguments from both points of view. We will be running a brief training session which is just 45 minutes. The debates will take place between October 2018 and May 2019. You can support as many or as few debates as you wish, but we would ask all adjudicators to consider supporting two debates during the programme.

If you would like to volunteer as an adjudicator then please submit your application online at:

<https://www.concern.org.uk/concern-debates-volunteer-adjudicator-sign-form> or call: 02890 261524 by Friday 14th September.

Nexus is looking for enthusiastic, committed individuals with a friendly, approachable manner and a desire to help Nexus help others. Administration volunteers are a vital part of the team, greeting clients, answering calls, booking appointments, updating records and preparing training packs. Based at their Derry/L'Derry office, the volunteer commitment is 4 hours per week.



Alzheimer's Society is interested in recruiting volunteers to help create dementia friendly communities across Northern Ireland. If you could share a few hours to help raise the profile of the Dementia Friendly Community Programme we would love to hear from you.





### North West Fundraiser

As a community representative you will: help raise the profile of Cancer Fund for Children in your local area, organise fundraising events and activities, encourage your contacts such as colleagues, family and friends to take part in fundraising and help develop new contacts for the charity in your local area. In doing so you will be making a difference to the lives of children living with cancer

#### What skills or experience do I need?

Personal qualities such as good organisational skills, creativity, enthusiasm, motivation and willingness to be part of a team.

You'll gain insight into the work of Cancer Fund for Children and valuable experience of organising events and activities.



**Childline is recruiting volunteer telephone counsellors, email counsellors and switchboard operators.**

**Childline is also looking for an enthusiastic and talented volunteer to help grow their online audience. Excellent written and spoken communication skills, enthusiasm for and interest in working within social media, good computer literacy, internet and word processing skills, experience in Twitter, Instagram and Facebook effectively, interest in the voluntary sector.**

**PARKINSON'S<sup>UK</sup>  
CHANGE ATTITUDES.  
FIND A CURE.  
JOIN US.**

#### Local Development Volunteer - Parkinson's UK NW Local Development Team

Working together locally, volunteers support the area development team to consider what support and activities are currently provided for people with Parkinson's, their families and carers, identify gaps and evaluate options to increase access. You'll need a passionate approach to the values of Parkinson's UK, the ability to analyse information and data, access to a computer and Skype and there will be some travel to attend quarterly meetings within the local area.



## **RECEPTION VOLUNTEERS**

Opportunity to support Strabane Community Project in reception of new hub  
1-2 afternoons per week  
Telephone enquiries meet & Greet etc



## **GOOD MORNING STRABANE**

Volunteers usually commit to one morning per week to make calls - Full Training and Support given  
Time: 9.00am - 12.00 noon



## **LUNCHEON CLUB**

Luncheon Club runs Monday - Friday 11.00 am-1.30pm  
Meet & Greet Volunteers  
Bingo caller  
Activity volunteer



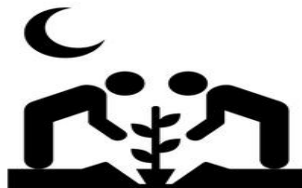
## **MEALS ON WHEELS**

Meals on wheels runs Monday - Friday  
interested in recruiting drivers & helpers to deliver 1 day per week  
Time 11.30 - 1.00 pm



## **GRASS ROOTS COMMUNITY CAFE**

New café opening Monday - Friday 9.00am - 4.00 pm and Saturdays TBC  
Looking for café volunteers to help with tea coffee soup and sandwiches



## **GRASS ROOTS COMMUNITY GARDEN**

New site being developed which will include allotments, training kitchen, wild meadow and community garden  
Gardening volunteers opportunity



## **HANDY MAN SERVICE**

Volunteer opportunity to help and support current handyman  
Suit someone with good practical skills and who likes active and physical hands on work



## Fountain Street Community Centre



Some great volunteer roles available  
at Fountain Street Community Centre

Would you like to be supporting additional  
needs & autism in Northern Ireland?

Sólás is a special needs charity which  
provides educational support to children,  
in main stream primary schools across NI  
who are struggling with their early  
education but don't meet the criteria for  
statutory intervention.

We are currently recruiting retired  
teachers to volunteer and provide 1:1  
educational support to children in main  
stream primary schools across Northern  
Ireland.

- Admin Support volunteers
- Children's' Party Support  
volunteers
- Meet & Greet volunteers
- Charity Shop volunteers
- Maintenance support  
volunteers



A national charity since 1911

Action on Hearing Loss has so  
many great volunteer roles  
available!

Admin, befriending, campaigns,  
collections, equipment support,  
events, digital champions, youth  
work...and many more!!

If you would like to find out more about any of the opportunities or how to get involved in  
volunteering in your area, please contact the volunteer centre on 028 71 271 017

If your organisation would like to promote opportunities for volunteers, please get in touch with the  
centre to register.

[enquiries@volunteeringnorthwest.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@volunteeringnorthwest.co.uk)

[www.volunteeringnorthwest.co.uk](http://www.volunteeringnorthwest.co.uk)

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