

Volunteer Position: Schools & Colleges Relationship Volunteer

Place of Work: Home based, at local schools and colleges where meetings have been arranged and the occasional meeting at a Step by Step office in Aldershot

Reporting to: Step by Step Community Fundraiser

Background to the post:

Step by Step is a dynamic local charity, based in Aldershot, which has over 15-years experience in progressing young people from homelessness and the problems associated with it. We provide accommodation and support to young people, mainly aged 16 -25 years. This is achieved through a number of services within Step by Step each with its own specific aims and objectives but within the overall mission of *"empowering homeless people and those facing adversity to achieve their full potential"*. We also promote widespread awareness of the issues involved amongst the local community.

Purpose of Role:

Working as part of our dedicated team of community fundraising volunteers you will be responsible for developing relationships with local schools and colleges who wish to support the work of Step by Step. The main activities will be to:

- ♦ assist in developing and maintaining a database of local schools and colleges within a geographical area.
- ♦ using a Step by Step prepared mail-shot, gain schools and colleges' interest.
- ♦ make follow up telephone contact with the schools and colleges as a result of the mail-shot.
- ♦ arrange meetings with the schools and colleges' representatives to promote the work of Step by Step and establish ways in which the school or college can help.
- ♦ host presentations and discussions about Step by Step to Principals/Heads and/or employees of local schools and colleges.
- ♦ encourage representatives from local schools and colleges to attend Step by Step Open Days.
- ♦ identify improvements to the process of contacting and engaging the local schools and colleges and communicate them to the Community Fundraiser.
- ♦ raise any known issues and risks associated with the above activities with the Community Fundraiser.

Key Skills and Attributes Required

- ♦ Familiar with the workings of the educational sector and the ability to talk to school/college representatives at all levels.
- ♦ Good presentation skills.



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- ♦ Good communication and interpersonal skills.
- ♦ Good telephone manner.
- ♦ Sympathetic to the work that Step by Step is doing.
- ♦ Able to plan and organise your own work and display initiative once direction has been given by the Step by Step Community Fundraiser.
- ♦ Reliable and able to meet self imposed deadlines.
- ♦ Smart and presentable.