

ROLE DESCRIPTION

Role Title:	Youth Work Volunteer
Supported by:	NYY Youth Development Team
Locations:	In your local area or as agreed with the Youth Development Team.
Description of the Project	Youth group's provide young people with a safe place to participate in positive activities.
Commitment:	- To assist in the delivery of a youth group in a village/town in North Yorkshire that is supported by NYY - To facilitate group work, discussions, and activities with young people. - To communicate with the Youth Co-ordinator, Young People's Project Workers and other volunteers and workers about programme activities. - To supervise young people and ensure general health & safety and rules of conduct are adhered to. - To build positive relationships with young people and listen to their concerns. - To assist with preparation for youth activities both before and after sessions.
Requirements of a volunteer youth worker:	- To provide support to young people who choose to attend the youth project. - To develop relationships with young people based on professional boundaries. - Help maintain a clean and safe environment for activities to take place. - To encourage participation in activities promoting social and emotional wellbeing. - To provide a listening ear and offer proactive support to a young person by encouraging them to participate in their community. - To maintain confidentiality in accordance with youth group policies.
Training:	Volunteers are expected to access NYY essentials training in Youth Work. Subsequently there may be opportunities for volunteers to participate in Level 2 Youth Work training and other further training as appropriate.

Support:	Volunteers will receive support from their colleagues within the youth group, as well as from a NYY Youth Development Worker who will visit the group regularly. Volunteers can also contact NYY Youth Development Workers via email or phone for individual and group support as required. Occasionally individual supervision may be required and this will be managed as appropriate.
Expenses:	Expenses are available however these will be agreed by the individual project
Person Specification:	• Ability to engage young people • Non-Judgemental • Enthusiastic and positive • Flexibility to work evenings and/or weekends where necessary • Ability to encourage strengths and challenge weaknesses • Commitment to personal development • Patience • Reliable • Interpersonal and communication skills • Awareness of issues facing young people • Excellent Listening skills
Other requirements:	Enhanced DBS check In rural areas the use of a car may be necessary to get to and from the project

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