

Get Active Wandsworth Festival Volunteering Programme

Volunteering is a great way to get involved in your local community, give something back, develop existing skills, learn new ones, gain experience or just have fun.

The Get Active Wandsworth Festival is a mass participation event taking place in King Georges Park on Saturday 14th July 2012. The aim of the festival is to encourage as many members of the public as possible to come along and try a new sport or activity with a view to making some changes towards a healthier lifestyle in the future. We are expecting between 4 and 5,000 people at the Festival focal day on King George's Park, Wandsworth.

As a volunteer at the Get Active Wandsworth Festival you will be given the opportunity to gain new skills, meet new people, make a difference and get a great feeling of satisfaction.

What can I do as a volunteer at the Festival?

Assist with set-up and take down of the festival equipment.

Greet people at the entrances to King Georges Park,

Direct visitors to different parts of the Festival

Collect feedback from visitors to the Festival

Photographer and Video/Filmmakers

What volunteering roles are available?

This is by no means an exhaustive list but some of the volunteering opportunities we have.

Festival Helpers - We require people to help set up and take down some of the equipment, tents, gazebos, generators, tables chairs etc.

Greeters – We need people stationed at the entry points to the Festival to record how many people are attending throughout the day. This role will be rotated through as many volunteers as possible and the signposter below rather being stationed in one spot for the whole day.

Signposter – There will be around 5000 people attending the Festival and many of them will want to know where things are or directions to a zone etc. We need as many volunteers as possible for this role.

Feedback Collectors – This role can be shared with the two roles above. We would like to know what people think of the Festival while we are there so we need as many volunteers as possible to ask and help those attending to complete a small feedback form so we can make improvements for future Festivals.

Photographer and Video/Filmmakers – we would like to record as many aspects of the Festival as we can either through photographs or by video to use to publicise future event. Again in this role we'd need a few volunteers to cover everything.

What are the incentives for volunteers?

Some of the key incentives we are able to offer are:

- Training in advance of the Festival
- Build confidence in working with young people and the general public
- Opportunities for future placements
- References for future employment
- Kit to wear at the Festival

What are the requirements to become a volunteer with Wandsworth Force?

Volunteers need to be:

- Over 16 years of age
- An active interest in working with members of the public and meeting new people
- Able to communicate well
- Have access to camera/video (if you're looking to volunteer in those roles)
- Able to relate to young people, children and adults with enthusiasm and courtesy
- Be available on Saturday 14th July

What Next?

Identify a role for yourself at the Festival from those listed above and then contact Chris Austin at Wandsworth Leisure and Sports Services at active@wandsworth.gov.uk or telephone 020 8871 8154 telling him what you would like to do. Chris will send you a registration form and a couple of other documents for you to complete and then will invite you to a meeting where we can give you more details of what will happen on the day of the Festival.

The Festival will be one of the largest sports events happening in Wandsworth this year and will not be possible without as many volunteers as possible. So please don't delay, **register today**

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