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Volunteer Role Description

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| Role Title | GOT Stockport Saturday Club Volunteer |
| Role Location | St Michaels and All Angels Church Hall, Bramhall, Stockport, SK72 2PG  |
| Time Commitment | Saturday 9:30am -1:30pm |
| Responsible To | Leah Wharton, Ruth Bennett-Anderson |

# The Volunteering Opportunity

How you can make a difference

As a volunteer you'll make sure that everyone has a great time and can make the most of the activities on offer. You'll need lots of energy, a warm and welcoming personality and to be happy getting stuck in to a wide range of tasks and activities, all of which make sure that everyone has the best day they can together.

# Key Duties

What your role will involve

* Taking part in activities alongside disabled young people. You could be joining creative activities, movement or sports session, trips out in to the local community or seasonal themed activities.
* Helping to set up the activities at the start of the day, clear away at the end and keep activities safe, clean and running smoothly throughout.
* Helping to welcome young people to the group, find their way around and between activities, enjoy breaks and lunchtime and generally have a great day with the team and Sense.

A basic / enhanced Disclosure & Barring check will be required for this volunteer role.

# Skills & Qualities

Will the role suit me? Yes, if you are:

* Fun and friendly and confident to meet and spend time with disabled young people.
* Willing to develop the knowledge and skills to communicate with young people who have multi sensory impairments and who may use a wide range of communication methods
* Able to work well in a team and be flexible about the role you play during the day depending on what’s needed by individuals and activities
* Reliable and punctual.
* Committed to providing support in a way that offers choice, independence and dignity
* We welcome volunteers of all ages to this role who are able to create an inclusive and welcoming peer environment for everyone involved in the group.

# Benefits

What can Sense offer me as a volunteer?

* Induction information to prepare you for your role, a briefing at the start of each event, and lots of on-site support and guidance from our experienced staff team who will be running the day
* Agreed out of pocket expenses to be reimbursed, in line with Sense policy
* The chance to get to know new people, try new activities in your local community and to have lots of fun taking part together
* To develop new skills and knowledge about communicating and working with children and young people with complex communication needs and multi-sensory impairment
* To know you’re part of a passionate and committed team making a big difference to how young people are able to get the most out of both new and favourite activities and to have a great time together.
* If you are 16 or 17 we will ask to make contact with a parent or other appropriate adult to share details of your volunteering role, timings and contact / emergency information.

# Sense

About us

For everyone living with complex disabilities. For everyone who is deafblind. Sense is here to offer personalised support to help people communicate and experience the world. We believe that no one, no matter how complex their disabilities, should be isolated, left out, or unable to fulfil their potential. Our experts offer support that’s tailored to the individual needs of each person, whether that’s at our centres, through our holidays and short breaks, or in people’s own homes. In addition to practical support, we also provide information to families, and campaign for the rights of people with complex disabilities to take part in life.

Volunteers add real value to Sense, bringing their passion, enthusiasm and fresh perspectives to the work that we do. We believe that volunteers enable us to bring people together, and provide opportunities for people with complex disabilities to communicate and experience the world.