

Events and activities volunteer role description - Wakefield

Location:	Various Sense centres or community locations
Responsible to:	Ashleigh Key, Volunteer development lead
Time commitment:	Flexible - typically between 3–6 hours per event
Days of the week:	Varies depending on event (including weekdays and weekends)
Times:	Varies depending on event
Frequency:	No minimum commitment. You choose which events to support.

At Sense, we believe that every disabled person should have the opportunity to connect with others and be included in the world. We use our knowledge and expertise to deliver personalised, creative and flexible support at every stage of life.

Our values

Our values shape the way we behave and work alongside disabled people with complex needs to break down barriers.

- We're creating change
- We're always learning
- We're better together

Description of the role

As an events and activities volunteer, you'll support Sense at a range of one-off events in and around Wakefield. These might include family fun days, local celebration events, awareness events or fundraising activities.

This flexible role allows you to stay connected with Sense and continue making a difference, with a commitment that fits around your schedule. We will regularly share event opportunities with you, and you can choose which ones suit your availability, location and interests.

Some events may involve supporting disabled people with complex needs and their families and carers to take part in activities, while others may focus more on event planning and set up to help things run smoothly. You'll play an important part in raising awareness, building connections and celebrating the people we support.

Key responsibilities

You'll spend time doing a range of activities, including:

- Welcoming attendees and helping create a friendly, inclusive atmosphere.
- Supporting disabled people with complex needs and families to engage in activities safely and confidently.
- Getting involved with arts, crafts and other creative activities.
- Assisting with setting up and packing down event spaces.
- Helping to run activity stalls, games or information stands.
- Sharing information about Sense and our services with members of the public.
- Supporting fundraising activities such as bucket collections.
- Helping alongside staff and other volunteers to ensure events run smoothly.
- Following policies and guidelines including safeguarding and health and safety.

- Receiving email communications from the our team with upcoming volunteering opportunities.

Skills and qualities

This role would suit you if you're:

- Passionate about Sense's mission.
- Friendly, approachable and happy to engage with a wide range of people.
- Flexible and comfortable with varied tasks.
- Good communication skills and working well as part of a team.
- Reliable and able to commit to events you sign up for.

What we offer you

As one of our volunteers, you'll get:

- Full briefing and guidance before each event.
- Ongoing support from your volunteer manager and the event lead.
- Flexibility to volunteer when it works for you.
- Expenses covered as outlined in the [volunteer expenses policy](#).
- A chance to meet new people and stay connected with the Sense community.
- Opportunities to develop new skills and share your existing ones.
- The feeling you get knowing you're making a difference to the lives of disabled people with complex needs.
- A reference to support future applications for paid or voluntary roles.
- Support from our Mental Health First Aiders, should you need it.

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