

West Kent Volunteer Centre

Daffodils and crocuses are pushing their way through the ground, the air is crisp and evenings are gradually getting lighter; we love this time of year



There is so much going on in volunteering just now. Keep an eye on websites like www.do-it.org, www.vinspired.com and www.reachskills.org.uk for the latest opportunities. Social media is also a great way to find volunteering roles, with many organisations reaching out to followers on facebook, twitter and Instagram

Check out our twitter page @Volunteering_WK

Spotlight on Witness Service Court Volunteer (Sevenoaks)

The logo for Citizens Advice, featuring the words "citizens advice" in white lowercase letters inside a dark blue speech bubble shape.

Citizens Advice is a well-known, volunteer-led charity, delivering a wide range of services, including the Witness Service.

The Witness Service provides impartial and non-judgemental support to witnesses and victims giving evidence in criminal trials. Our volunteers conduct pre-trial visits of the courts, offer information and support to witnesses on the day of the trial, and make post-trial referrals, all helping to ensure that witnesses are able to give their best evidence.

By volunteering with the Witness Service, you can:

- ⇒ meet new people
- ⇒ gain new skills
- ⇒ improve your employability, with ongoing support and development
- ⇒ learn more about the criminal justice system
- ⇒ make a real difference to people's lives in your community

You don't need specific qualifications or experience to become a Witness Service volunteer. What's more important is that:

- ⇒ you have good listening and communication skills
- ⇒ you're friendly, caring and non-judgemental
- ⇒ you're reliable and committed to helping witnesses

We are looking for volunteers to join our team supporting witnesses at Sevenoaks Magistrates Court. Joining our team puts you at the heart of your local community, while being part of something bigger - together we are over 2,800 strong, with highly trained volunteers supporting witnesses in every criminal court in England and Wales. You'll need to be aged 18 or over and willing to get enhanced DBS clearance. You should also be able to commit to our training programme and be happy to volunteer with us for at least 12 months.

For further information on this and other volunteering opportunities at the Witness Service in Kent, please contact Emma Manwaring on emma.manwaring@citizensadvice.org.uk or call on 07584 489294

or visit our website <https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/about-us/citizens-advice-witness-service/>

Family Fun Day

Volunteer Opportunities Easter 2017

We are looking for active and enthusiastic volunteers aged 14 and over to help us deliver the best fun days ever in the Sevenoaks District.

You can volunteer for as few or many days as you are available but you must be able to get to the venue



Monday 3rd April	Tuesday 4th April	Wednesday 5th April	Thursday 6th April
Brasted	Edenbridge	West Kingsdown	Halstead
10:00am-2:00pm	10:00am-2:00pm	10:00am-2:00pm	10:00am-2:00pm

*To register your interest in volunteering,
contact volunteering@imago.community or 01892 530330*



Family Fun Days are delivered by Imago with funding and assistance from Sevenoaks District Council and local Town and Parish Councils



every
Daffodil
counts



mariecurie.org.uk/daffodil

*Support Marie Curie by helping
at a local collection*

Volunteers can sign up on our website
at www.mariecurie.org.uk/daffodil
or contact Georgia on 01883 832 626

Saturday 18th March
Tunbridge Wells Street Collection

Friday 24th March
Tesco Metro

Friday 7th April
Tunbridge Wells Sainsbury's



Admin Support Volunteer

Do you have good organisational and office skills? You could help this busy project that helps older people stay independent by helping them attend medical, social and other appointments.

You will take bookings for drives over the phone, input information into the Dial 2 Drive database and contact drivers. A good level of IT confidence is required.

You may also be asked to help with admin jobs such as filing, photocopying and envelope stuffing.

The team is looking for a volunteer for a regular Tuesday morning, 9.30am-12.30pm. The service is a real life line to the people that use it and volunteering is a great way for you to help out in your community.

Contact:
sharon.overy@imago.community
01892 530330

DIAL 2 DRIVE
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Carers FIRST
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0300 303 1555
www.carersfirst.org.uk

NEW VOLUNTEERS OPEN MORNING

Tuesday, 7 March 2017

11am to 1pm

at

**St Stephen's Church Community Centre
Waterloo Road, Tonbridge TN9 2SW**

Come and join us for a cup of tea/coffee to discover how you can use your skills, meet new people, and try something new and rewarding

We are looking for new volunteers to join our friendly team. We have a range of volunteering roles available, such as:

- **Face-to-Face Befriending,**
- **Telephone Befriending**
- **Helping out at support groups,**
- **Administrative work**

All you need is commitment and some spare time! We provide regular support and training. If you are interested, please come along on the day. Or you can email us at

volunteer@carersfirst.org.uk



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VOLUNTEER GARDENER



Would you enjoy an
afternoon volunteering in
our beautiful garden

Headway West Kent needs a gardener to work alongside those who use our services on a Tuesday afternoon. We would love to hear from keen amateur gardeners or professionals.

Headway West Kent
3 Culverden Park, Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN4 9QT
Charity no. 1062884

www.headwaywestkent.org

If you are interested please contact Rob:

01892 619001 OR

buddy@headwaywestkent.org

The Number One Trust serves the communities of Showfields, Ramslye and Broadwater in Tunbridge Wells and is looking for a new treasurer as the trust's excellent financial manager is moving on after 10 years with the charity



For more details contact Pat Wilson on 01892 548-904 or wilsonco10@btinternet.com

**Spring is nearly here and it's a great time
To support our local wildlife
and green areas through volunteering**



The Kent Wildlife Trust nature reserve in Bradbourne Vale Road, Sevenoaks, has plenty of opportunities to suit a variety of interests. If you enjoy meeting people, then the Visitor Centre is a great place to interact with members of the public and give out information, as well as serving in the shop and café

If you're more hands-on, you could join the Nature Park volunteers who look after the well-established wildlife garden at the reserve. Tasks range from grass-cutting, tree clearance, feeding the birds and creating bug homes and working on the pond, all aiming to inspire visitors to get involved with wildlife

Or you could apply to be a pond dipping and mini beast hunting volunteer! You'll join the friendly Community Education team based at the Sevenoaks Education Centre and help deliver a range of educational activities to schools and other groups who visit our sites to explore the wildlife habitats around us

Alternatively, the KWT Bough Beech Visitor Centre are looking to set up a group of volunteers to help look after the grounds; you'll carry out routine activities to ensure that visitors are greeted with engaging and tidy grounds, as well as undertaking light maintenance duties such as sweeping and grass-cutting. This is a chance for volunteers to work alongside the Visitor Centre Management Team and will provide an opportunity for keen gardeners to spend time outside

**Find out more about volunteering with Kent Wildlife Trust at
www.kentwildlifetrust.org.uk or phone 01622 662012**



Help People Live Well Across Kent

At Live Well Kent we help people improve their mental and physical health and wellbeing. It is a free new service for anyone over 17.

We're looking for dedicated volunteers who can mentor or offer peer support to the people who come to us for help.

To find out more, contact us on:
volunteers@shaw-trust.org.uk
0300 247 2222



On behalf of



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Have limited time to spare?

You can still volunteer...



Join our Time to Time mailing list and receive email alerts about one-off or short-term volunteering opportunities in west Kent

You choose which volunteer activities you would like to participate in

Street collections

Conservation tasks

Fetes and fairs

Marshalling at charity walks, races and cycle rides

Gleaning

And more....

*To join the Time to Time Team, email
volunteering@imago.community*

To find out more about volunteering in your local community,
please get in touch

Tonbridge, Sevenoaks, Tunbridge Wells



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