

## 'Make Your Mark' Committee Member Cambridge - Homelessness

Are you looking to 'Make a Difference' in your local community and enhance the university experience of other ARU students? Are you a current ARU student on the Cambridge campus? This role may be for you!

### Role Description

Homelessness is a very prominent issue within Cambridge.

*"Between April 2016 and March 2017, there were 1,243 recorded instances of rough sleeping"*

Help the Volunteer Centre to influence positive, sustainable change by raising awareness and create positive local impact by collaborating with other student leaders in our 'Make Your Mark' committee.

### Why do we need you?

This volunteer role helps ARU Students' Union to achieve the following goals:

- We will create opportunities and deliver activities that make students proud to be part of the ARU community.
- Our students are inspired to volunteer, giving them the opportunity to broaden their experience of life and other people, make a difference and learn new skills.
- Our students are able to access bespoke, diverse and wide ranging on-going and one-off volunteer opportunities.

### What activities will you be involved in?

- Raise awareness of the issue of homelessness in Cambridge within the local and student community.
- Promote Make Your Mark volunteer opportunities to ARU students.
- Organise homelessness related volunteer projects and/or events.

### What are we looking for?

As a volunteer you should:

- Be passionate about making a difference to those experiencing homelessness.
- Be positive and enthusiastic.
- Have strong oral and written communication skills.
- Be able to work as part of a team and collaborate with others.
- Be able to effectively plan, organise and deliver projects or events.

## What can you gain from this opportunity?

This voluntary role will help you build the following skills:

- Building relationships with local partners
- Planning, organising and delivering events
- Peer to peer support
- Leadership
- Team Building
- Collaborating with others

This volunteer role will enable you to:

- Receive one-to-one and group support from our Volunteer Coordinators.
- Log your volunteering hours and skills and work towards your ARU Students' Union Volunteer Awards.
- Download your Skills Transcript which can help you prepare your CV and for future job interviews.

## How much time will I have to commit?

- It is recommended that you attend one committee meeting per month during normal term time.

Please note that this role is flexible and can be adapted to fit around your academic studies, other commitments, specific skills and needs. This role can also be split between one or more other volunteers if required.

## Does the role come with support and training?

- You will receive a full induction to ensure you are confident in delivering your role to your best ability.
- You will have access to Skills Workshops delivered by ARU Students' Union or Anglia Ruskin University.
- Supervision and support from our Cambridge Volunteer Coordinator.
- You can claim out of pocket expenses, as outlined in our Volunteer Handbook.

## How do I apply?

To apply for this role, please go to the Volunteer Centre website here:

<https://www.angliastudent.com/volunteering/provider/386/>

Please note that the deadline to submit your application is **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2018**.

Applicants will be contacted and invited to an informal interview, which will be arranged to be flexible around your other commitments.

## Who should I contact?

To find out more information about this volunteering role, or if you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact Caroline Way on:

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