

Community Events and Fundraising Volunteer - Role Description

About The Anthony Seddon Fund

The Anthony Seddon Fund is a peer-led mental health charity based in Ashton-under-Lyne. We provide a safe, welcoming, and inclusive space where people can access support, connection, and activities that promote positive mental health and wellbeing.

Our centre offers a range of peer support groups, wellbeing activities, community events, and drop-in support sessions, helping people feel less isolated and more connected within their community.

Volunteers are a vital part of the support and community we provide. Many of our volunteers bring lived experience, compassion, and understanding to their role, helping create the welcoming and supportive environment TASFund is known for.

About This Role

Community Events & Fundraising Volunteers help raise awareness, build community connections, and support fundraising activities that make a real difference to people experiencing mental health challenges across Tameside.

This is a varied and hands-on role where you might support charity stalls, community events, awareness campaigns, fundraising activities, or local partnerships. You'll help represent TASFund within the community, speak with members of the public, and support events in a friendly and approachable way.

No previous fundraising experience is needed. The most important things are enthusiasm, reliability, and a willingness to get involved and support the charity within the community.

What You Might Be Doing

- Helping set up and pack away fundraising stalls, events, or community activities
- Welcoming and speaking with members of the public about TASFund and the support we provide
- Supporting fundraising activities and encouraging donations in a respectful and positive way
- Helping raise awareness of mental health and community wellbeing
- Assisting with practical event tasks such as distributing materials, managing stock, or preparing resources
- Handling small cash or card donations where appropriate
- Supporting community outreach activities and awareness campaigns
- Helping create a welcoming and positive atmosphere at events

- Sharing ideas and helping contribute to future fundraising or community activities
- Signposting people to TASFund services or staff where appropriate

What We're Looking For

We're looking for people who are:

- Friendly, approachable, and comfortable speaking with people
- Enthusiastic and willing to get involved in community activities and events
- Reliable and able to work as part of a team
- Respectful, inclusive, and supportive of people from different backgrounds and experiences
- Comfortable representing TASFund positively within the community
- Willing to follow guidance, boundaries, and event procedures
- Open to learning and taking part in relevant training and support

You do not need previous fundraising or volunteering experience to apply for this role.

Helpful but Not Essential

The following experience or interests may be helpful, but are not required:

- An interest in fundraising, community events, or charity work
- Experience speaking with the public or working in customer-facing environments
- Experience supporting events or community activities
- An understanding of mental health or lived experience of mental health challenges
- Confidence handling small cash or card payments

Support & Training

All volunteers receive an induction, support during their trial period, and access to relevant training to help them feel confident and supported in their role.

You will have regular opportunities to check in with staff, ask questions, and discuss any support or development needs. Additional training opportunities may also be available depending on your role and interests.

You are never expected to know everything straight away; volunteering at TASFund is a learning experience, and support is always available when needed.

Important Information

Volunteers are expected to maintain appropriate boundaries, respect confidentiality, and follow TASFund policies and procedures while carrying out their role.

Some volunteer roles may involve supporting people who are experiencing emotional distress or difficult situations. Volunteers are not expected to provide counselling, therapy, or crisis intervention, and support from staff will always be available where needed. Volunteers should always work within the boundaries of their role and seek support from staff whenever needed.

Certain roles may require a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check. If this applies to the role, this will be discussed with you as part of the recruitment process.

Time Commitment

This role is flexible and mainly supports occasional fundraising events, outreach activities, and community engagement opportunities throughout the year.

Some activities may take place during evenings or weekends depending on the type of event. Volunteers can usually sign up to opportunities based on their availability and interests.

We understand that many people supporting events and fundraising may only be available occasionally, and we aim to provide flexible volunteering opportunities wherever possible.

What Volunteers Receive From Us

We truly value the time, skills, and experiences our volunteers bring to TASFund. In return for your support, we aim to provide a positive and rewarding volunteering experience through:

- A friendly, welcoming, and supportive environment
- Induction, training, and ongoing development opportunities
- Regular support and supervision
- Reimbursement of reasonable agreed expenses
- Volunteer recognition and appreciation events
- Opportunities to build confidence, skills, and experience
- References for volunteers who complete an agreed period of volunteering

Volunteering can also be a great way to meet new people, build confidence, develop skills, and support your own wellbeing while making a difference in the community.

Interested?

If you are interested in this role, we'd love to hear from you. The first step is to complete a Volunteer Expression of Interest Form, after which we'll invite you to attend one of our volunteer introductory sessions to learn more about TASFund and the role.