

Forums

Volunteer Coordinators' Forum: A quarterly meeting for anyone whose role involves managing & supporting volunteers. Network, share good practice on volunteer management, support each other and explore joint working. **Next forum: TBA**

Volunteer Forum: Supporting volunteers to network, have a collective voice and improve volunteering across the City of Salford. **Next forum: TBA**

Opportunities Calendar

Each month Volunteer Centre Salford will feature volunteering opportunities based on a different theme. A table listing all the volunteering opportunities on the Volunteer Centre's database that fit into each month's particular theme will be displayed along with the name of the organisation providing the opportunity.

To view themed opportunities calendar please visit:
www.salfordcvs.co.uk/volunteer-centre-themed-opportunity-calendar-2014-2015



Visit our Volunteer Centre Salford pages to find out more

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Vision for Volunteering

Salford CVS and Volunteer Centre Salford have pledged their support for the Greater Manchester Vision for Volunteering.

Recognising that volunteering is a major contributor to:

- The quality of life of volunteers themselves and the people and communities that they support
- The range and quality of services, facilities, activities and cultural life of the region
- The local economy

Activities which we do not consider to be volunteering include:

- Internships
- Work experience
- Mandatory Work Activity / Community Work Places under the Help to Work Programme

To view our **volunteering position statement** from Volunteer Centres and Voluntary Sector Local Support and Development Organisations across Greater Manchester visit our Volunteer Centre pages:

www.salfordcvs.co.uk/volunteer-centre

Good Practice

Salford Volunteer Centre has developed a set of **good practice guidelines**. These guidelines aim to make existing examples of good practice in Salford accessible to an even broader range of voluntary organisations, community groups, faith groups, social enterprises and cooperatives that involve volunteers.

The guidelines are available to download from Salford

CVS's website: www.salfordcvs.co.uk/good-practice-guidelines

We also provide support in setting up a volunteer programme:

- Developing diverse, quality opportunities
- Recruiting and selecting volunteers
- Developing relevant policies and procedures
- Retaining and supporting volunteers
- Keeping on the right side of the law
- Becoming a good practice volunteer-involving organisation

VC Services

Volunteer Centre Salford offers a variety of services, including:

- **Training** for volunteers, coordinators and potential volunteers
- **Promoting volunteering opportunities** using our brokerage service, national volunteering website, drop-in service and social media accounts
- **Volunteer recognition**; 100 hours volunteer certificates. Heart of Salford volunteer celebration event
- **Salford Volunteer Charter**: Sign up to the Charter and demonstrate your organisation's commitment to volunteering

Our other services include:

Drop ins

The drop in is a ten minute session for people who want to find out about volunteering opportunities in Salford. At the session potential volunteers will be able to register with Volunteer Centre Salford and identify relevant volunteer opportunities. No appointment necessary, venues below:

Volunteer Centre: Every Thursday 10am—7pm at The Old Town Hall, 5 Irwell Place, Eccles, M30 0FN

New outreach sessions are now running in:

Broughton: First Thursday of the month (12.30pm—2pm) at The Broughton Trust, Humphrey Booth Learning Centre, Heath Avenue, Salford M7 1NY

Little Hulton: First Monday of the month 1.30pm—3.30pm at the Health Improvement Team Job Club, Little Hulton Library, Longshaw Drive, Worsley, Manchester M28 0AZ

One-to-one appointments

One-to-one appointments can be arranged for Salford residents who are unable to attend the drop in sessions or those who would benefit from a longer appointment as they may need more support to get into volunteering. We also have a referral process for agencies who would like to refer their clients for a volunteering appointment.