



Your Volunteering Counts! Become an Advocacy Support Volunteer

Help people to express their views and have their voices heard!

About the project:

We're seeking dedicated individuals to join our advocacy services. As a volunteer advocate, you will support individuals by helping them express their views, secure their rights, and access necessary services. Your role is to provide a friendly and supportive presence, ensuring that the voices of marginalised individuals are heard and respected.

Volunteers who are happy to:

- ✓ Meet people in groups & individually to find out what they need.
- ✓ advocate & empower people –help to communicate their wishes & rights.
- ✓ welfare calls to check on people's wellbeing.
- ✓ record keeping – write down all contact made with clients.

What we will offer you:

- ✓ friendly & supportive experience.
- ✓ flexible volunteering.
- ✓ Meet people & be part of a team.
- ✓ mentoring, training & certificates.
- ✓ references after 3 months.

Our ideal volunteers:

- ✓ friendly & positive outlook.
- ✓ good communication & listening skills.
- ✓ kind, helpful & caring.
- ✓ passionate about making a difference to the lives of others.

Experience desirable but not essential as training will be given.

DBS check & 2 references are required to volunteer for this role.

When: weekly, fortnightly or monthly

Where: Newcastle and/or Gateshead.



Advocacy volunteer said the best thing about volunteering is "being able to talk with clients and listen to their choices and any issues they may have at the care home. It gives me a feeling of being worthwhile and giving back to those not able to talk for themselves."

For more information, please contact us on **0191 478 6472** or **volunteers@yvc.org.uk**.
Please visit our website: **www.yvc.org.uk** to make an enquiry.