

Place of Welcome Supporter Volunteer Role Description



Volunteer roles with Chester Cathedral

This volunteer role is an opportunity to work with Transforming Lives Together, an independent charity working across the Diocese of Chester, in partnership with Chester Cathedral. It offers you the chance to contribute meaningfully to the mission of Transforming Lives Together, while also being embraced by the Cathedral community.

At Chester Cathedral, we deeply value the dedication of our volunteers—and in this role, your time, skills, and experience will contribute to the work of the cathedral across the diocese. As a volunteer, you will have the opportunity to meet new people, make new friends and be part of a dedicated team.

Volunteer roles are regarded in the same way as paid staff roles. We need commitment from our volunteers and seek to give back a high level of security and respect in what you do.

Purpose of the role

This role will support Places of Welcome, including regular visits to sites across the Diocese.

Key Responsibilities

- Visit TLT Places of Welcome to encourage staff and volunteers and to ensure the Place of Welcome ethos is being put into practice
- Capture encouraging stories (including photos and quotes with permission), of the impact of Places of Welcome on the lives of volunteers and communities
- Feedback if any further support is required from TLT or the Cathedral and whether a further visit is recommended by the Community Missioners
- Provide updates and feedback to the Community Missioner

What training will I be required to undertake?

In line with safer recruitment, all volunteers must complete their Safeguarding, Counter Terrorism, and Induction training before volunteering with the Cathedral.

This role may also require participation in other relevant training with TLT or the Cathedral.

How much time do I need to commit?

This can be flexible, based on your needs and those of your local Places of Welcome.

Do I need any special skills or experience?

For this role suitable candidates will be able to demonstrate:

- a living and growing Christian faith or an empathy and understanding of the Christian faith
- an open-mind and able to relate to others in a warm, respectful, accepting and non-judgemental way
- being open to giving and receiving feedback
- being able to understand, and work with, confidentiality and boundaries
- having an understanding of and empathy with issues of loneliness and poverty

Other information relating to this role

- Expenses for travel are available. Claims will be made direct to Transforming Lives Together and will be subject to their standard processes and rates
- This role description is not intended as an agreement or contract and the position is voluntary (unpaid)
- For an informal conversation, contact Ruth Bull, Community Missioner ruth.bull@tltogether.org.uk