

Age UK Bromsgrove, Redditch & Wyre Forest Volunteer

Friendship Group Volunteer

Can you help us to make a difference to older people living in Wyre Forest?

- Age UK BRWF's **Tulip Tree Friendship Group** provides a range of fun and social activities for local older people, offering companionship and a sense of community for those that attend
- Run by volunteers, the group meet on a **Tuesday afternoon (1-3pm)** at the **Tulip Tree Centre (Kidderminster DY11 6TH)**
- To help support its development, the group is currently seeking additional volunteer support



What do Friendship Group Volunteers do?

Together with the Group's Lead Volunteer, the Friendship Group Volunteers help to create a warm and friendly environment for all those visiting the group. Key activities include:

- Helping to set up the Centre and preparing for the afternoon's activities
- Meeting and greeting people as they arrive (and helping them to settle in)
- Encouraging people to engage in conversations with others
- Encouraging and helping people to participate fully in the activities
- Making and helping to serve refreshment

Personal qualities most suited to this role:

- Caring and friendly disposition, a genuine interest and empathy with older people, patient, good listening and communication skills, reliable and trustworthy, able to work as part of a team

What you will get out of the role

- A rewarding experience (this is a great way to make a real difference to the lives of those that attend the group), you'll be giving something to the community, plus you will be a part of the Age UK Bromsgrove, Redditch and Wyre Forest Team

What is expected of me?

- A regular commitment to supporting group. Whilst the group runs from 1-3pm, support is required both before and after the session to set-up and clear away

What you can expect from us?

- We will make sure that you receive appropriate training for the role and that you have the support of a member of staff. We will also cover agreed out-of-pocket expenses for volunteers

For further information please contact us on 01527 570490

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