

## Better Start Bradford Event Volunteer Role Description and Benefits

- Does being at the heart of a busy, fun event with lots of activities for families with young children sound like your kind of thing?
- Would you like to make a difference to the lives of local children and families?
- Would you like to gain events experience?

If you answer yes to any of the above, we'd love you to join us as one of our event volunteer superstars!

### What does Better Start Bradford do?

We know the earliest years are critical to a child's future, which is why we work with families from pregnancy to a child's fourth birthday, helping them lay good foundations that will last a lifetime, focusing on:

- Health and nutrition
- Social and emotional development
- Communication and language

We work across Bowling and Barkerend, Bradford Moor and Little Horton (AKA 'the [Better Start Bradford area](#)') and want to find out what works so we share it across Bradford and beyond. We do this by providing services and activities for expectant families and families with children aged 0-3, including parenting programmes, English language courses for pregnant women, book-gifting, story and rhyme time sessions, healthy cooking and eating sessions and much more. [Find out about our main projects here.](#) We are funded by The National Lottery Community Fund, using National Lottery funding, until March 2025.

### What will you do as a Better Start Bradford Event Volunteer?

Helping out at events are a great way of gaining experience, and if you volunteer at our events you'll also see what it's like working with families, young children, as well as early years professionals. Generally, we'll need you to:

- Assist with set up and close of an event
- Have a friendly smile and welcome event attendees

- Direct attendees to facilities/activities/workshops
- Provide workshop support
- Help with keeping facilities tidy
- Assist with organising and moving equipment
- Encourage people to have fun!

Events might range from summer street parties, to family fun days, conference style events for professionals, to our popular 'festive fun' events in December.

### What we offer our volunteers

- Travel expenses
- Training and learning opportunities
- Reward and recognition events
- The opportunity to increase your awareness of early years and early childhood development
- The opportunity to gain great transferable skills and build confidence
- The chance to meet new people and work as part of a team

### Commitment

We will ask you to support at events throughout the year. You will need to commit to attending for the full event time (this varies from event to event) which will include a short induction meeting and debrief meeting before and after the event.

We have opportunities to be involved at a one-off event or on a more regular basis.

### Experience

No previous experience is required – we are just looking for reliable, friendly people who enjoy working with the Bradford community.

If this sounds like fun to you, apply at:

<https://www.betterstartbradford.org.uk/volunteering/event-volunteer/>

If you have any queries, please get in touch:

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