



Make a difference at Weston Hospicecare

Other Hospice Volunteering Opportunities – August 2018

Each year increasing numbers of local families will turn to us for support and all the care we provide to them is free of charge.

It costs approximately £4million a year to provide these services and without our volunteers' gift of time, dedication and commitment, less money would be available for our free patient services.

All our volunteers get something slightly different from the experience, such as:

- invaluable work experience
- putting existing skills to good use
- new skills
- self confidence
- new friends
- community involvement

Volunteering can take up as little or as much of your time as you would like. Even volunteering for as little as an hour or two a week makes a huge difference. We have many different roles for you to pick from and would love to hear from you.

Thank you for choosing Weston Hospicecare – we really appreciate your support!

Volunteer Role	Additional Information / Requirements	Suggested Involvement
Companion	Our Volunteer Companions provide emotional support for patients and/or carers who may benefit from company. You will need to have your own transport, have good listening skills, be self-aware and flexible, with a good sense of humour.	Whatever time you can offer
Day Hospice Gardening Volunteer	To assist the Day Hospice patients with a wide range of gardening activities, such as potting herbs, creating indoor gardens, making pot pourri and creating terrariums.	Tuesday (2pm to 4pm) Wednesday (2pm to 4pm) Thursday (11am to 1pm)
General Assistant (Wellbeing Centre)	To be the warm and welcoming face of the Wellbeing Centre at the Hospice by welcoming guests and directing them to the appropriate place in a professional, calm and courteous manner; taking messages as appropriate and booking appointments.	Monday (9-30am to 12) Monday (1.30 to 3-30pm) Tuesday (1.30 to 3-30pm)
Ward Receptionist	To provide administrative and general support for the nursing staff. Provide assistance to patients and relatives where necessary in a sometimes emotive environment.	Friday (5pm to 8pm) Saturday (1pm to 4pm) Saturday (5pm to 8pm)

We believe in a society that gives everyone an equal chance to **learn**, **work** and **live** free from **discrimination**, **harassment** and **prejudice**.

Weston Hospicecare, as a charity and voluntary organisation, appreciates the value of volunteering. Volunteering means people independently choosing to give their time freely to help others. We believe in keeping volunteering voluntary and will not knowingly participate in compulsory volunteering schemes which adversely affect the receipt of benefits.