



FRIEND OF CANCER SUPPORT ROLE DESCRIPTION

Supervisor: Fundraising team

Location: Various locations across Yorkshire

Time commitment: Flexible dependent on availability

Cancer Support Yorkshire is a local, independent charity that has been offering quality help and support to people affected by cancer and their families & carers since 1988. We can help with practical issues like information, transport and welfare rights. We also provide emotional support by offering counselling, complementary therapies and a range of classes, courses and support groups. Our support is available to all those affected by a cancer diagnosis. It is confidential and free to access. Our centres are a welcoming, warm and safe place in the local community with a wide range of services to support patients and those close to them. Whether our volunteers help in our centres or out in the community, they all contribute to helping Cancer Support Yorkshire care for local people at the most difficult time in their lives.

Role Summary

We want to make Cancer Support Yorkshire the best-known local charity in the area, and that's why we are looking for volunteers to help raise awareness of the essential services we provide. We would like you to promote our centres to other local people and to utilise your networks to raise awareness and potentially funds. In doing so you'll be making a big difference to Cancer Support Yorkshire and ultimately, to the lives of people affected by cancer.

What's involved?

The 'Friend' role is an interesting, flexible and varied role which will enable you to develop positive and rewarding networks with local community members and increase your personal development.

Typical tasks can include:

- Planning, organising and promoting awareness raising and potentially fundraising events.
- Collecting funds on behalf of the charity and looking after the collection tins
- Attending group meetings
- Acting as an ambassador through building community networks

What skills are required?

- Passionate about helping local people affected by cancer.
- Good communication skills
- Strong organisational skills
- Honesty and reliability
- An ability to be a team player

What we can offer you

- A comprehensive induction regarding the work of the organisation.
- An invitation to an annual supporter event where you will be updated on how your role has made a difference to the lives of local people affected by cancer.
- One to one support from a member of our staff team.
- The chance to boost your CV and support with job references if requested.
- Reimbursement of expenses paid within agreed guidelines

What you can offer us

- Your skills, knowledge and experience plus fresh ideas.
- To be passionate and enthusiastic about our work.
- Links into the local community.
- To have good organisational skills and to be able to work independently.