

Women's Service Group Volunteer

Greater Lincolnshire - Skegness

Lincolnshire Action Trust:

Lincolnshire Action Trust was established in 2000 and works with a variety of agencies within the criminal justice system to reduce re-offending, by working with people with convictions to address some of the issues and challenges which have resulted in their sentence.

The charity offers a range of training opportunities and employment support to prepare people for their release. Additional key services are also offered to their families and dependants, both during their time in prison and following their release.

General overview:

LAT is commissioned to deliver a specialist Women's Service across Greater Lincolnshire. Dedicated practitioners work in close partnership with probation case managers to offer bespoke support to each woman on a one to one and or/group basis.

Groups run weekly throughout Lincolnshire. Activities include discussions and exercises around topics such as health, victim awareness, mental health, communication, substance misuse, and more, as well as having external speakers, crafts, and planning sessions.

Volunteers in this role will therefore support group sessions, working with practitioners to deliver and run activities whilst also assisting the women attending by answering questions, providing guidance, and signposting them to the right information.

Due to the nature of the project, volunteers for the Women's Service must be female and over 18. The above role is exempt under the Equality Act 2010, Schedule 9, Part 1.

This role would entail;

- Representing LAT during women's group
- Supporting practitioners with the delivery of group activities
- Provide support both emotionally and practically
- Communicating information effectively to aid multi-agency working and reporting
- Respecting confidentiality and acting professionally at all times
- Adhering to professional boundaries

You will need to;

- Agree to an enhanced DBS check and reference checks
- Undertake an induction and training programme
- Be available for a minimum of 2 sessions per month (ideally weekly if possible).

- Commit to a minimum of 3 to 6 months for volunteering availability

Skills required;

- Welcoming and friendly attitude
- Ability to work confidently as part of a team and independently
- Well organised and an attention to detail
- Punctual and reliable team member
- Active listening
- Patience and understanding