

# OPPORTUNITY SPOTLIGHTS

## Antrim & Newtownabbey

Summer 2024

Here are a few volunteering opportunities currently available in the Antrim and Newtownabbey area. For a full selection of opportunities, have a look at the Opportunity Search on **volunteernow.co.uk** If you need any assistance finding or registering for an opportunity, let us know and we can help!

#### DNID

#### RNIB - Volunteer Driver (Greenisland/Carrickfergus and Newtownabbey Areas)

Would you like to help blind and partially sighted people in your local area? Do you enjoy driving and meeting new people? Our volunteer drivers provide a friendly face and that personal touch to brighten their day and help get them to where they need to be. The volunteer becomes a regular part of someone's life and for some their journeys together may be the only chance an RNIB customer has to get out of their home for some time. The volunteer driver will take BPS to/from their weekly/monthly support groups. If you have a clean driving licence then click here and find out more about the role <a href="https://tinyurl.com/bdy3duh9">https://tinyurl.com/bdy3duh9</a>. If you are friendly, courteous and reliable then this is the opportunity for you.

#### Women's Aid ABCNL - Court Support Volunteer (Antrim)

Women's Aid Antrim, Ballymena Carrickfergus, Larne & Newtownabbey Court Support is a service provided to women who are required to attend court on any issue relating to the domestic abuse they have experienced. Attending court can be a traumatic experience for women and they have told us that having someone with them has made a significant difference for them. Women's Aid ABCLN Court Support Volunteers are there for support and ensure they are not alone. Make a difference and find out more about this great flexible volunteer role by clicking the link <a href="https://tinyurl.com/mtvfkwb2">https://tinyurl.com/mtvfkwb2</a>

#### **Deafblind NI - Home Befriender (Newtownabbey)**



Could you share your love of baking with Joy? Our member Joy is in her 90s and lives alone in Newtownabbey. Although she has family around her, she finds she spends a lot of time alone 'sitting with her thoughts' during the day. She is looking for a friendly **female** volunteer who is available to pay her a visit on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday afternoon, to share a cup of tea and enjoy a chat. Joy spent a good deal of her working life in the catering industry and loves baking. related. challenge with her sight loss. Why not find out more about Joy by clicking the link <a href="https://tinyurl.com/2sb8a45z">https://tinyurl.com/2sb8a45z</a>

#### Marie Curie - Companion Volunteer (Antrim Area Hospital)



Marie Curie and Northern Health and Social Care Trust have joined together to offer a service to support people at the end of life. Spending time with patients and/or their relatives, we're looking for volunteers to provide emotional support, a listening ear, and to simply be there for patients with a palliative diagnosis and their loved ones. The role will include supporting patients in line with boundaries and procedures, spending time talking and listening to patients, family, friends and carers and signposting families and friends to other services as appropriate. If interested find out more about the role by clicking the link <a href="https://tinyurl.com/2vefwpfc">https://tinyurl.com/2vefwpfc</a>

### RN L:D

#### RNID Near You Hearing Aid Support Volunteer NHSCT - (Glengormley & Ballyclare)

Help us offer a free, in-person drop-in service for people who are deaf, have hearing loss or tinnitus, or want to get their hearing checked. RNID Near You volunteers do 6 main activities to help make life fully inclusive for deaf people and people with hearing loss and tinnitus. You are not required to do all 6 of these activities, you can pick the activities you find most interesting and match them to your skills and experience. The volunteer role will include practical support to the service user teaching them how to optimise their NHS hearing aid and provide information on RNID services. If you live in the Glengormley or Ballyclare areas and would be interested in finding out more about the role click on the links below

Glengormley <a href="https://tinyurl.com/249e9kz4">https://tinyurl.com/249e9kz4</a>
Ballyclare <a href="https://tinyurl.com/dvrxasxx">https://tinyurl.com/dvrxasxx</a>

For more information about volunteering in the **Antrim & Newtownabbey** areas contact our Volunteering Support Officer:

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