

Volunteer Role Description

Solace Women's Aid supports women and children in London to build safe lives and strong futures, free from domestic and sexual violence and abuse.

Role Title	Volunteer CYP Playworker
Service	Haringey Refuges
Closing Date	12/4/24
Interview date	26/4/24
Workplace Supervisor	Sessional Play worker/Family Support Worker
Location	Haringey
Commitment	Minimum one Morning/afternoon/evening per week 3-4 hours
Duration	6 – 12 months commitment
Role Description	Volunteer Playworker will lead and assist a variety of activities such as arts and crafts, games, etc. to engage and support the children's emotional wellbeing and enhance their confidence and resilience. Activity sessions will be carried out in the refuges, supported by the Sessional Play worker/Family Support Worker.
Benefits to the volunteer	As part of this role, you will have the opportunity to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gain experience and understanding of working with children using a trauma-informed approach. • Contribute and support a busy and diverse team. • Hands on experience in a dynamic charity working in the Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) Sector. • Work as part of a feminist organisation.
Skills and Qualifications Required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct experience of working with children and young people is desirable. • Reliable and committed to promoting the enjoyment and wellbeing of children and young people. • Understanding of domestic violence issues and a discretion in handling confidential and/or sensitive information. • Approachable and empathetic • Non-judgemental. • Ability to maintain confidentiality.
Training Opportunities	Volunteers will be able to access Solace Women's Aid's induction and internal volunteer training programme. Full support will be given to help volunteers understand and carry out any aspect of the role as appropriate.
Expenses	As per our Volunteer Policy we will reimburse reasonable travel and lunch expenses. Travel expenses will be reimbursed at a maximum of £20 a day travel card. Agreed lunch expenses up to a maximum of £5.00. These amounts will be reimbursed for those volunteering for over 6 hours in a single day.
Lived Experience	Solace recognises the expertise and perspective that women with lived experience bring to their volunteering roles. We also recognise the potential for re-traumatisation that may occur whilst

	volunteering. We will therefore consider each volunteer opportunity on a case by case basis, with a focus on the suitability of that individual for that specific role. Suitability for the role will be determined by the Service Manager at the point of interview and will not be solely based on the length of time elapsed since receiving a service. Women cannot volunteer for a service in the same borough as where they received Solace services.
For more information contact	Volunteer Co-ordinator Email: volunteering@solacewomensaid.org Call: 020 3795 9220

At Solace we are committed to creating a diverse and inclusive environment for our volunteers. The Service Users we support come from all backgrounds and we want to reflect that in our volunteering team. We are happy to consider any adjustments you might need to support you in your role. If you would like to discuss this further with the volunteer team, please contact us at volunteering@solacewomensaid.org. This will not affect your application.