



WYC Community Champion

Winchester Youth Counselling

ROLE DESCRIPTION:

Title: Community Champion

Location: 68 St Georges Street, Winchester, Hampshire, SO23 8AH & Various locations in and around Winchester

Reports to: Development Manager

Ongoing role

Hours: Variable/Flexible

Salary: £0 (Volunteer, expenses paid subject to terms)

Start date: Dependent on candidate availability

Closing date: Open

Interview date: Flexible

Are you dedicated to making a difference to the mental health and wellbeing of the young people in our local community?

ABOUT WINCHESTER YOUTH COUNSELLING:

At WYC our mission is to provide counselling, therapy and mental health support to young people aged 11-25 in Winchester as well as support and advice for parents and families, so that young people are supported to thrive and live happier lives. Our services include one to one counselling, walk and talk, and nature therapy sessions to local children and young people who are facing difficulties with their mental health. We also run a youth drop-in service based in central Winchester. We offer support to parents and carers too with parent consultations and parent workshops.

ABOUT THE ROLE:

WYC is a local charity with a small but varied team of people that work behind the scenes, to ensure the charity can do its project work with young people. The WYC Community Champions group is a new initiative (since Sept 2025). This project is creating a team of people that care about Youth Mental Health and are interested in helping further our work in the community. Each Community Champion will be DBS checked and given training to help understand and talk to others about our work. As various opportunities and roles come up that require volunteers to assist, we share these roles with our Champions, who can decide what, where and when they can commit to volunteering. We envisage that this approach is varied, inclusive and a great way to make new friends and learn new skills. Examples of volunteering roles will vary, including running information stalls at events, fundraising collections, campaigning or administrative tasks. What you do, will depend on you and which opportunities interest you and fit your skillset and availability.

DUTIES MAY INCLUDE

- Running an events stall that is aimed at spreading awareness of our projects and our charitable activities.
- Talking to people in the community about WYC, making new connections and inspiring people to donate, volunteer or partner with us.
- Distributing campaign flyers and project information.
- Collecting cash/contactless donations in pre-agreed locations.
- Marshalling, distributing refreshments or assisting at community sports events.
- Helping create content for social media and the WYC website.
- Helping with administrative tasks, filing, archiving and organising.

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Knowledge, training and qualifications

- An interest in, or experience of working for charitable organisations.
- An understanding of or interest in issues facing young people and their families in the Winchester district.
- A genuine concern and passion for improving mental health for young people.

Experience

- Experience of working in a team and working alongside a range of people in different settings.

- Experience of being in a trusted position; and able to exhibit professional behaviour at all times.
- Experience of handling money or donations safely and securely (desirable).

Skills

- A friendly and approachable demeanor.
- Good communication skills
- Ability to adapt to new tasks and learn new processes.

Responsibilities

- To positively represent WYC during pre-planned events, tasks and opportunities.
- To help the staff team maximise the impact of campaigns and fundraising,
- To be a trustworthy member of the team, and to adhere to the Code of Conduct and WYC policies.

WHAT WE OFFER YOU

- DBS and training.
- A dedicated member of staff to contact directly.
- A friendly group chat, to ensure everyone is given equal opportunity to participate.
- Invitations to our WYC socials.

TO APPLY

To apply, please send a short paragraph about why you want to volunteer for WYC, to admin@winchyc.org. There is no deadline for this role.

Closing date: N/A

Interview date: Flexible (online or in person)