



# tsiMORAY Volunteering Hotlist

## May 2023

### Elgin Museum

#### Open and Ready for New Volunteers



Elgin Museum exists to protect, preserve and to showcase the unique heritage of Moray, for and on behalf of the people of Moray.

At Elgin Museum you can see objects from all over the world, with a special focus on Moray, and from all periods of history and prehistory – from before the dinosaurs to the present day. The Museum is located at the east end of Elgin High Street.

Volunteers have been crucial to the Museum's long standing existence and continue to be a welcoming, helpful team that helps bring to life the Museum and its impressive collections.

As the season has now opened for the Museum, they could do with some new volunteers to join the team.

#### **Volunteer Mentor**

The Volunteer Mentor is a volunteer who helps to oversee and assist the Museum with the recruitment process and onboarding of new volunteers to the Museum. The volunteer mentor liaises between the Museum's convenor and the volunteering team.

#### **Activities and Marketing Committee Member**

If you are interested in helping to create and deliver activities and events in the museum or would like an active role in the marketing and promoting of the museum, this could be the role for you!

#### **Visitor Service/Front of House Volunteers**

As a Visitor Service/Front of House Volunteer you will be welcoming visitors and help them orientate themselves to the museum. You will learn about the museum collections and have the ability to explain to visitors how and where to access information. You will serve visitors in the shop and communicate with the front desk.

Full Training will be given with an induction to the Museum's workings.



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**Aberlour YouthPoint Moray**  
**Mentors & Group Support Volunteers**  
**Moray based and Times are Flexible**



### **Group Support Volunteers**

As a group support volunteer, you would volunteer alongside another member/s of the team to assist with group activities including arts, crafts, cooking, sports, music which can help to improve the health and wellbeing of young people.

You would look to introduce young people to new activities to help them learn new skills and develop new interests. Group support volunteers can volunteer from age 18 and over and don't have to have previous experience of volunteering or working with young people. For our groups having a volunteer can make such a positive impact on their lives and help change their future. Through groups you can develop confidence and self-belief to achieve life goals.

As a volunteer you will gain practical experience of spending time with children and young people and increase your knowledge about the issues affecting young people. You will meet a range of new people and be filled with a sense of satisfaction, knowing that you have helped make a difference in a child or young person's life. Volunteers can spend their time on a weekly basis and days/evenings and times can be flexible, with a minimum commitment of 6 months. Excellent support provided to all volunteers. Expenses are paid monthly. You will receive mandatory training at Aberlour YouthPoint and be offered any other relevant training and will have regular contact with the volunteer co-ordinator.

### **Young Person's Mentor**

As a volunteer mentor you will be matched with a young person who you would spend regular time on a 1:1 basis, working towards building a trusting relationship. Right now, mentoring is also available online, so if volunteers prefer and feel they are better suited to offer online support, they can. Volunteers who mentor in person also take part in activities that is of interest to your young person, such as cooking, sports, and crafts. You can also introduce them to new activities to help them learn new skills and develop new interests.

Through having a mentor, a young person can develop confidence and self-belief to achieve their life goals. As a volunteer you will gain practical experience of spending time with children and increase your knowledge about the issues affecting young people. You will meet a range of new people and be filled with a sense of satisfaction, knowing that you have helped make a difference in a child's life.

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### Step By Step in Moray Volunteers Needed in Elgin, Forres, Lhanbryde



#### STEP BY STEP IN MORAY

Is a local charity which supports families with young children who feel isolated or vulnerable for many different reasons. We help them to develop friendships, confidence and skills which will improve their wellbeing and resilience, enabling them to give their children the best start in life.

#### WHERE AND WHEN

##### Victoria House, Elgin

Mondays – Thursdays (9.30am – 11am / 12.30pm – 2pm)

Fridays (9.30am – 11am)

##### St Leonard's Church Hall, Forres

Wednesdays (10am – 11.30am / 12.30pm – 2pm)

##### Lhanbryde Community Centre

Thursdays (10am – 11.30am / 12.30pm – 2pm)

#### OUR VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are the heartbeat of Step by Step.

They are kind, considerate, non-judgmental, and empathetic.

The ability to build trust in people where trust can be difficult is important, as is the ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with adults and children.

Our volunteers support Step by Step staff during group sessions by providing a welcoming face to our families, engaging with them through conversation, play, activities and stories. They help prepare and serve snacks, tidy up and feedback information to our staff at the end of each session.

All our volunteers must be aged 18 or over and eligible for PVG membership.

#### WHAT WE OFFER

In return we offer a taster session, induction training, training workshops and expenses.

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# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



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**British Heart Foundation**  
**Various Opportunities**  
**Elgin Shop**



**If you're an active and outgoing person looking for a flexible role that gets you out and about meeting people in your community, then come and join the friendly volunteer team at the British Heart Foundation Shop in Elgin. They have the following opportunities available just now.**

**Volunteer Driver (Stock Collection)** - In this role you will collect pre-arranged household stock from people's houses, businesses and deliver it back to the Elgin store.. A good level of fitness is required and volunteers will use their own vehicle, but mileage is paid at 45p per mile.

**Book Department Volunteer**— Love books? Look no further for your perfect volunteering opportunity! Join the team at the British Heart Foundation shop in Elgin. You'll be sorting, pricing and displaying merchandise in their book department.

**Stockroom Volunteer**— If you'd like to make a difference behind the scenes, if you're a keen rummager or if you like things to be neat and tidy, then we have a role for you— helping in our shop stockroom. If you love a bit of ironing, then master the close steamer and watch those wrinkles disappear (it's surprisingly therapeutic!), or become a clothes tagger extraordinaire, allowing customers to understand what item they are purchasing. If you want a hands-on roll behind the scenes or just fancy the company of other friendly volunteers our shop stock room is the place to be.

**Online Expert (eBay Researcher & Lister)** - If you're tech savvy and know your way around eBay; have a keen eye for unusual or sort after collectables then consider joining our volunteering team at Elgin's British Heart Foundation shop. Come and be amazed at some of the items that are donated to us and help us strike gold with those rare finds. We've got dedicated eBay resources to help and assist you with this unique volunteering role. Research the interesting items; package them in our eBay boxes and send them off to be sold at our eBay HQ. Every week we'll send updates about the most unusual and exciting finds we've managed to sell though our stores, will your find be the next eBay headliner? Get the thrill of researching the curious objects and revel in the satisfaction of sitting back and watching the bids role in. Become a mighty keyboard warrior and help raise funds for our lifesaving research into heart disease.

**Cash Desk Volunteer**— Could you be the friendly face of our local British Heart Foundation store? With support around you and full training provided, you will be processing sales through the till as a cashier, talking to customers and thanking donors. This is a customer focused role where you will meet and interact with a wide range of people. Your tasks will include engaging with customers and serving them in a helpful and friendly way, helping them with any queries and honing your retail and cashier skills behind the till and taking payments. You will also need to communicate with fellow volunteers about what has been sold and what needs restocking and helping with the administration or reception duties around the till area.

**BHF also offer a range of benefits to our volunteering team including 25% discount stock, free breakfast**

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# CHARITY AMBASSADOR VOLUNTEER

Supporting us to raise funds & awareness

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TUMOUR  
CHARITY

A CURE CAN'T WAIT

## Our challenge

The Community Fundraising Team is an integral part of The Charity Fundraising Portfolio, with an income target of £3m in 22/23 and the team consists of Community Fundraisers based across the UK. Our role is to provide fundraising advice & support to our Supporter Groups, Community Organisations, Regional Corporates, Volunteers & Events.

## How can you help?

We are recruiting a team of Charity Ambassadors to help develop engagement across each Region, to maximise opportunities to raise funds and increase support from the Community. You will be actively involved with The Charity on the ground and play a key role working alongside the Regional Community Fundraisers, as and when required:

- Identifying various opportunities in your local area to raise awareness of The Charity & our wide range of Fundraising Campaigns. This could anything from contacting your local supermarket's 'Community Champion' and organising an information stand and bucket collection or supporting a Supporter Group meet up in your area.
- Representing The Charity in your area, by undertaking presentations & cheque collections at schools, local companies & community groups
- Helping us to recruit new fundraisers and supporting those who are already signed up for a campaign, in your area. For example, attending a local Twilight Walk or promoting The Big Bake to local companies.

## What can you gain from volunteering?

- You'll join a friendly, passionate team and develop an understanding of how this team at The Charity operates.
- The opportunity to network with other volunteers and play a key role in the brain tumour community.
- You'll have the opportunity to utilise your existing skills, while developing and learning new ones to take forward into the future

## Time commitment

Initially, we envisage a minimum of 2 or 3 days per month, depending on the regional focus, and this will also be guided by whether you are researching new awareness raising opportunities in your area, or setting up a school presentation for example. Flexibility is a key part of the role as we are often presented with exciting opportunities to raise awareness or funds, at short notice.

## INTERESTED?

If you're ready to apply, please complete our [online application form](#).

If you have any questions, please contact the Volunteering Team: [volunteering@thebraintumourcharity.org](mailto:volunteering@thebraintumourcharity.org)

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### The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Moray Committee Secretary (Meetings 4x per year) Moray



The Moray Duke of Edinburgh Awards committee is a local charity that supports the DofE awards in Moray. Currently, they are looking for a person to help by joining their team as a committee secretary. Key tasks are working with the Chairperson to prepare agendas, send out invitations and prepare minutes for committee meetings. In line with the committee's constitution, there are four meetings per year.



The Secretary will volunteer alongside the Chair to plan the quarterly meetings. At these meetings, the committee will discuss committee business and any request for funding from the DofE centres and volunteers working with DofE Moray.

As Secretary, you will need good literacy, IT skills, organisational skills and the ability to work on your own initiative. Previous experience of working in a committee is desirable.

Volunteers will receive introduction training in the ethos of the award, how it operates and the benefits that young people get from taking part in the award. This training includes an e-learning package and a briefing from one of the councils DofE Moray Team. The Chair of the committee will brief the new secretary on how the committee works and there will be ongoing support from the Chair and the DofE Moray Team.

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### Clan Cancer Support

Various Opportunities available locally in Moray



Clan Cancer Support is the largest, independent cancer support charity in the north of Scotland and helps around 2,500 people affected by a cancer diagnosis every year. Clan services are freely offered across north-east Scotland, Moray, Orkney and Shetland and are available from pre-diagnosis and diagnosis through treatment and beyond. They provide professional counselling, complementary therapies, nutrition and wellbeing activities, information and dedicated support for children and families.

Right now, Clan has a number of volunteering positions across the Moray region, and anyone with a positive “can do” attitude who is passionate about helping people affected by cancer in their local area is an ideal candidate.

Clan are looking for **Listening and Support Volunteers** to provide emotional support to people affected by a cancer diagnosis. These positions are available in their Elgin, Lossiemouth and Forres locations.

This role would suit you if you have good listening and communication skills, a warm and friendly manner and the ability to maintain discretion and confidentiality.

They are also looking for **Volunteer Drivers** in Moray. These volunteers support their vital transportation service across the north-east and Moray for clients attending Aberdeen, Raigmore and Dr Grays hospitals for cancer treatment. In this role you’ll be able to use your driving experience and develop your listening and support skills.

Finally, Clan are looking for **Event Volunteers** in Moray. From manning the cheering points on runs, walks or cycles, to welcoming guests at annual lunches or balls, or providing information at open days – you’ll raise awareness of the great work Clan does.

Ideally volunteers can spare around three hours per week, from a range of backgrounds, age groups and skill sets.

It doesn’t matter how much work experience you have – Clan provide listening and support training to ensure you are equipped for the role. They will work with you around your availability. They have some people who volunteer with them regularly, while others commit time at the weekend only or whenever they can find time around their own work and family commitments.

There are many benefits to volunteering with Clan, including building new skills and work experience within a well-established charity.

You’ll also have the opportunity to gain nationally recognised qualifications as part of their partnership with The Skills Network - a leading online learning and skills training provider.

If you’re interested in any of the above positions, we would love to hear from you.

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**Oxfam Moray**  
**Various Opportunities**  
**Elgin Shop**



The Oxfam shop Elgin is looking for friendly, helpful people to join their shop team and there's a number of ways you can help out from till operator, to their online shop, from working in a certain department such as books or music, (or something you may have a passion for) to admin, sorting donations and even visual merchandising. This is a great opportunity to volunteer in a vibrant, busy shop. You will be volunteering with the support of the Shop Manager and will be given relevant training as required. This is a great opportunity to build confidence, gain experience in a retail environment and make new friends.

**Sales Assistant Volunteer** - As a Sales Assistant Volunteer you will be at the till, serving customers as the friendly face of the Oxfam shop. You will help people facing poverty around the world by giving great customer service and making donors, customers, and supporters feel welcome in the shop. Oxfam will give you ongoing training and support so that you can feel right at home as part of the Oxfam community!

**Stockroom Volunteer** - As a Stockroom Volunteer, you will help the friendly shop team by sorting, checking, and making the most of the fantastic variety of donated items. Best of all you'll be raising vital funds to support people facing poverty around the world.

**Book Department Volunteer** - Oxfam are experts in selling second hand books! And they want your help. They are the largest chain of second hand booksellers in Europe and sell 22 million books annually. That's why they need volunteers like you to help in their book department. Whether you have years of experience or are totally new to retail you will be part of a fantastic team. Their book department is a key part of their busy shop. They will share their expertise with you and give you all the training and support you need to help them make the most of their wonderful donated books.

**Music Department Volunteer** - Oxfam have busy music departments with everything from Aphex Twin to Zucchero, and ABBA to Zappa, they get a bit of everything and that's why it's such a great place to volunteer. As this is a specialist role, you should already have a passion for all genres of music. Oxfam will share their expertise with you and give you all the training and support you need to help them make the most of their wonderful donated CD's, vinyl, cassette tapes, and instruments. Whether you have years of experience or are totally new to retail you will be a part of a fantastic community of volunteers.

This is just a snapshot of the opportunities available at the Oxfam store in Elgin. Volunteering can be very flexible to suit you, so even if your availability or skills don't match any of these roles, get in touch and we can find something that's right for you.

By volunteering a few hours a week, you will meet new people and have some fun for a good cause, while learning new skills. Oxfam believe everyone can make a real difference. People come to them for all sorts of reasons, from all backgrounds and they will find a role that works for you.

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## Roles Available in Moray!



### Fundraising Group Coordinator

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If you are someone with a passion for organising events and meeting new people, then this could be the perfect role for you!

You can be as creative as you like in this role, being part of a group of like-minded people and understanding your local community you can turn that dream of hosting a pub quiz into a reality... and raise funds and awareness at the same time!

As we said you won't be alone you have the support of your group and staff at Guide Dogs to get you on your way. Though if this role nearly ticks every box but you are worried about the time or knowledge you can have a quick chat about it and drop us an email at [volunteer@guidedogs.org.uk](mailto:volunteer@guidedogs.org.uk)

### Driver

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If you love being behind the wheel and want to use your driving skills to help a charity, then you can join Guide Dogs today! As a volunteer driver, you will be helping us make a difference to people with sight loss, through supporting us with any transport requirements.