Join our award winning team of volunteers!

What we can offer you:

Vital and insightful experience of working within social care settings.

Quality in-house training around communication, advocacy, learning disabilities and more...

External training opportunities

Flexible hours

The opportunity to make a real, positive difference in a vulnerable person's life

The opportunity to nurture your skills and abilities in which ever area you feel best suited to.

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Support a parent with a learning disability

Why do parents with a learning disability need support?

Parents with a learning disability are one of the most marginalised and vulnerable groups in society.

They do not always receive equitable support from services and up to 60% of their children are permanently removed from their care.
They are more likely to experience poverty, social exclusion, stress, domestic abuse, communication difficulties and discrimination.

Parents tell us that they don't always feel listened to, are expected to fail and have no support once their children are removed.

Find out how you can make a difference...

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Parent Advocate Volunteer

Professionals may have low level concerns about the child(ren) of a parent with a learning disability.

The parents will need to attend meetings and read through reports.

Your role would be to advocate for the parent, to ensure that they understand the information, that their voice is heard, and that their needs and concerns are taken into account.

Birth Parent Volunteer

Support a parent with a learning disability whose children are no longer in their care.

This could be at meetings if their children are in foster care or under a Special Guardianship order.

This could be to support a parent to write letters to the adoptive parents of their children.

Support Group Volunteer

Help to facilitate peer-support groups for parents.

Help to gather views of parents at consultation events, to bring about positive change.

Support parents to feel more included and confident about themselves.

We also have exciting opportunities for those interested in administrative roles and outreach work!

Tasks can include: data input and analysis, web design, networking, boosting the project's social media presence, and much more!