

Fundraising Volunteer

About Cancer Support Scotland

Cancer Support Scotland first began 40 years ago, in the cosy living room of Sir Kenneth Calman. Now in our new home amidst the leafy grounds of Gartnavel Hospital, we've worked hard to make sure things don't feel a whole lot different. The Calman Centre was created as a safe space, helping everyone we support to feel at ease and in control. Where better then, than in a giant living room - where family and friends are welcome and the kettle is always on.

As Scotland's cancer charity, we have been the wellbeing champions for those affected by cancer for over 40 years – not only for those diagnosed, but their loved ones and carers too. We deliver high-quality counselling, complementary therapy, podiatry and stress management services to promote mental and physical wellbeing and to enable those affected by cancer to continue to live the most active life possible in their community.

About the Role

This role is extremely flexible and ideal if you don't always have regular time to commit. The aim of the role is to assist our fundraising team raise the vital funds required to allow us to continue providing our service to people affected by cancer.

What impact will I make?

Cancer Support Scotland offer a range of wellbeing services to people affected by cancer – whether they are someone with cancer, a carer or a loved one. Currently we are offering counselling, complementary therapies, befriending, stress management workshops and a range of online self-care tools. Our services are funded largely by the generosity of the public, corporate organisations and charitable-grant makers. We do not currently receive any long-term funding from the NHS or Scottish Government so it's important that we manage to secure enough income to keep being there for people affected by cancer. This role will make a significant difference to our team's capacity to raise funds and spread awareness within your local communities.

What are the benefits of volunteering?

There are many benefits to volunteering and these can vary for each individual. Some of the main benefits are:

- Learning or developing skills to add to your CV.
- Meeting new people and having fun.
- Helping to make a real difference to people affected by cancer.
- Becoming more connected in your local community.
- Improved health and wellbeing.





What ongoing support and training will I receive?

It's important to us that you feel happy, safe, confident and supported in your role. You will receive a full induction to Cancer Support Scotland including information about the history of the charity as well as Cancer Awareness. You will also be given an initial introduction and regular support from the Volunteer Coordinator to ensure you feel confident to undertake your role effectively. You will not be expected to have prior knowledge or experience; your supervisor will work with you to make sure you have all the tools you need and provide guidance. You will have the opportunity to meet with the Volunteer Coordinator on a one-to-one basis to discuss your role and if you feel you need any further training.

What are the main tasks I will be involved with?

There are various tasks you can get involved with in this role, and you can discuss the ones which you are most interested in with us. They might include some of the following:

- Assisting at fundraising collections such as bucket collections.
- Helping at organised fundraising events such as our Ladies Lunch, Christmas Fayre or other events in our Calman Centre.
- Looking after collecting cans in your local area, which involves replacing the cans when full and bringing the cash into the centre to be banked.
- Organising fundraising events on behalf of Cancer Support Scotland.
- Helping to think of new creative ways to raise money.

Additional Information

This is a voluntary role however we will pay agreed out of pocket expenses.

Next Steps

If you are interested in applying for this role, please contact our team on; volunteer@cancersupportscotland.org or fill in our <u>Volunteer Application Form</u>

