



Volunteer Role

Fundraising Group Organiser/Branch Chair



Be the key contact for fundraising in your area and lead a local branch to raise money for blind and partially sighted people



Fundraising groups organise events through out the year

Location: Home or University based and working in your local area

What does the role involve?

- Working as part of Guide Dogs' fundraising team with staff and volunteers
- Coordinating your branch in raising money through events or other activities, delegating tasks to other volunteers in your team as required, for example booking venues for events
- Welcoming new members
- Keeping the local Community Fundraiser informed of your group's work and the people involved
- Making sure your group follows policy and procedure when fundraising
- Being a passionate local ambassador for Guide Dogs' work
- Branch Chairs only: lead a branch with a constitution and should hold an AGM

What skills or experience are required?

- Able to generate enthusiasm
- Good communication and team-working skills
- Able to coordinate a group of people

What will I get out of it?

- Sense of satisfaction in seeing donations generated
- Work with a group of committed and passionate people
- Support Guide Dogs to provide guide dogs and other mobility services that enable blind and partially-sighted people to enjoy the same freedom of movement as everyone else.
- An opportunity to build experience for your CV

What support or training will I get?

- Regular and ongoing advice and support from Guide Dogs
- Resources to support fundraising, such as stock to sell
- Payment of out of pocket expenses
- Basic induction to Guide Dogs and to the role

Will I need to have a CRB check? No

This role is managed by: Community Fundraiser



Find out more – meet one of our existing **Fundraising Group Organisers**

Jean has been a fundraising volunteer since 2010.



I like the role because I enjoy getting out and about and meeting people (and dogs!), but also because I know that in some small way I can make a difference.

Our branch meetings are held once a month, where we plan our fundraising events. We aim to do one event each month. I also spend a few days out and about visiting shops and business to give them collecting boxes and promote our

events locally by posters and word of mouth.

I love our fundraising events, meeting and chatting to people about guide Dogs. Highlights for me are meeting guide dogs and their owners, seeing the dogs 'in action' and the difference they make. I would certainly encourage others to get involved because each person can make a difference. We may never know who we have helped, but someone, somewhere will have their lives transformed.

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