# LSE Volunteer Centre

### **Charity Information Handout**

We are always thrilled to collaborate with new charity partners to achieve our mission of inspiring and empowering LSE students to volunteer. The information below is a comprehensive guide that briefily details how charity partners can become involved in our schemes and events, as well as receive support from our team.

### **Support**



### **Book a meeting**

Looking to recruit or retain volunteers but unsure on the best way forward? Book an online meeting with the LSE Volunteer Centre Manager to go over any aspect of the recruitment process. We've worked with thousands of charities over the years helping them put in place the best recruitment and management strategies to ensure both they and the volunteer have an excellent experience.



### **Vacancy Board**

The easiest and quickest way to start recruiting is by uploading your volunteering roles on <u>LSE CareerHub</u>, our free online vacancy board. Once you've created an organisation account you can post your opportunities so our students and alumni (up to five years) can find them. We're looking for anything from one-offs to long-term volunteering opportunities and any roles from event stewards to trustees, but we're especially looking for skilled roles because LSE students have lots to offer.





### **Charity Tuesday**

Every Tuesday of term, we invite a charity to have a stand on campus to meet our fantastic students and share your volunteering opportunities. We provide social media promotion and charity participants often hand out flyers, have 1-1 conversations or have small activities related to their cause.

Interested? Fill out our application form, it closes on 10 September 2024.



### **Volunteering Fairs**

We run two volunteering fairs each year, in October and January. This is the perfect chance for charities to talk about their roles and how our students can apply to them. The date for our first fair is Monday 7 October from 5-7:30pm.

Interested? Fill out our <u>application form</u>, it closes on 13 September 2024.





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#### **Programmes**



## **Community Action Projects**

Community Action Projects are an opportunity for LSE students to create an impact through volunteering, by creating projects which make a difference to the areas of charity they are passionate about. The Volunteer Centre supports both students and charities who are working together to deliver a CAP volunteering opportunity on a 1-1 basis.

If you would like to read more about CAPs, or let us know that you would be open to collaboration, then please message volunteer@lse.ac.uk.



### **Community Engagement Programme**

Every January to March, teams of LSE students undertake consultancy projects for charities. We assemble and support the teams, who meet with their client (you!) every other week. Your team will conduct research into the issue and provide a fresh perspective, synthesising it in a consultancy report.

Apply to the scheme from September by describing an organisational challenge your charity faces.



### **One-off Volunteering**

This programme includes volunteering opportunities with charities which students can participate in for a few hours or a day. It is designed to support charities who require volunteers to help with activities or tasks. The programme runs throughout the year, but the best time for collaborations is during term time.

If you would like to speak to the Volunteer Centre about this programme, please email <u>volunteer@lse.ac.uk</u> at any point during the year.



### **Research Volunteering Scheme**

The Research Volunteering Scheme, which runs every November to February, provides an excellent opportunity for charities to outsource research projects to LSE postgraduate students. We assemble and support student teams to complete research reports and/or presentations, which answer 'academic questions' that charities provide.

Charity applications to the scheme open in September.



## **Summer Volunteering Scheme**

Alongside several other LSE Volunteer Centre initiatives, the Summer Volunteering Scheme promotes accessibility in volunteering. It runs from mid-July to mid-September each year. We recruit and support the students and offer accessibility-related support for all charity participants.

Charities apply to the scheme in the spring with role description for individuals.



