

## Volunteering with Alzheimer's Research UK

# Fundraising Group Volunteer Group Member

### Thank you!

Thank you for your interest in becoming a Volunteer Member of an Alzheimer's Research UK Fundraising Group.

Fundraising groups are such important volunteers to us. They allow us to have a greater presence across the UK which we wouldn't otherwise have. Groups raise funds and vital awareness amongst their local communities and act as great ambassadors for the charity.

### What will a Fundraising Group Member do?

There are many different opportunities for a group member to get involved in:

- Become an event coordinator and help plan and promote your group's fundraising events.
- You could look after the collection tins and collect funds on behalf of the charity.
- Become the group's media liaison speaking to local press, receiving support and guidance from the ARUK's communications team.
- You could speak about the charity and your reasons for supporting ARUK at local community groups and attend cheque presentations.
- Act as an ambassador for ARUK through building community networks.
- Coordinate the distribution of ARUK supporter materials.
- All members are expected to attend regular group meetings.

### How much time will I have to commit?

No matter how busy your lifestyle, there's a role that will fit around your commitments and a volunteer fundraising group that will be delighted to welcome you. You can volunteer on your terms, giving as much or as little time as you can spare.

### What are we looking for?

Although you don't need to have previous experience of a similar volunteering role within a charity, ideally, you'll have the following:

- Good communication skills.
- Strong organisational skills.
- Honesty and reliability.
- An ability to be a strong team player and leader of the group.
- Enthusiasm.
- A passion for the work of Alzheimer's Research UK.

## What are the personal benefits?

In return, as a member of one of ARUK's fantastic volunteering groups you'll benefit from:

- Reimbursement of reasonable out-of-pocket expenses.
- Public speaking support and guidance on media and PR work if requested.
- The opportunity to develop your leadership, communications, fundraising, PR and organisational skills.
- Gain new experiences for career development, boosting your CV.
- Part of a worldwide movement to defeat dementia.

## Why volunteer with us?

Our volunteers tell us that volunteering is fun and rewarding, and it helps them meet new people and have new experiences. But most importantly, it's their way to defeat dementia. Many of our volunteers have been affected in one way or another by dementia. Often, they've cared for a friend or family member with Alzheimer's disease. Volunteering for Alzheimer's Research UK is their way of being part of the community that is fighting back.

When you volunteer with Alzheimer's Research UK, you'll be helping us defeat dementia.

## Our promise to you

When you become an Alzheimer's Research UK volunteer, we'll always treat you with respect, consideration and appreciation. We'll listen to what you have to say and ask you what you think. We'll make sure you're always working in a friendly and encouraging atmosphere. And of course, your health, safety and welfare are our top priority.

We'll be there to support you every step of the way, and we'll make sure you know exactly what you're doing. To keep you up to date about how your support makes a difference, we'll send you our regular e-newsletters.

## How do I apply?

Please fill in our initial enquiry or application form at <https://www.alzheimersresearchuk.org/support-us/volunteering/fundraising-groups/> and the Regional Fundraising officer for your area will contact you for an informal chat and to answer any questions you may have.

Alternatively, please contact the volunteering team on **0300 111 5555** or email [volunteer@alzheimersresearchuk.org](mailto:volunteer@alzheimersresearchuk.org)