Aim: British Transport Police is the national police force for the railways providing a policing service to rail operators, their staff and passengers throughout England, Scotland and Wales. Every day, they police the journeys of over six million passengers and 400,000 tonnes of freight over 10,000 miles of track. They work in partnership with others to help build a safe railway environment that is free from disruption and the fear of crime.

Role: Becoming a Community Volunteer means you will provide invaluable support to both British Transport Police (BTP) and your local community. You will play a vital role in assisting with regular police work, which means there is a huge range of tasks you could find yourself helping with. There are a variety of volunteer roles available and British Transport Police will work with you to find a role that will be interesting and rewarding, such as:

- Helping with crime reduction initiatives.
- Organising and recording community meetings.
- Dealing with public enquiries at the front counter offices.
- Creating newsletters.
- Providing administration support to police officers and staff.
- Becoming a role actor at police officer training events.
- Supporting community activities.

Wherever your skills and interests lie, BTP will make the most of them. Volunteering for BTP will offer you a unique opportunity to support the work of your local police officers and staff. You'll learn from the inside how a modern police force works and meet and network with all kinds of people from police officers to support staff. But perhaps, most important of all, you'll have the satisfaction of helping the police keep the railways safe.

Training: If you don't have any relevant experience, they give you all the training and support you'll need to be successful in your volunteer role. Once appointed as a community volunteer, you will take part in an induction and be given all the training and support you will need to carry out your role.

Times: BTP are very flexible as to when you volunteer, and how often.

DBS: This project requires DBS disclosure.

Other: Volunteers must have been resident in the UK for at least 3 years and must have the right to live and work in the UK permanently and without restriction. Due to the
sensitive nature of their environment they need to be rigorous in our selection of volunteers and we will carry out security checks on all applicants. This will include obtaining 2 references and carrying out national police checks on you, your family and the people you live with. There is no automatic barrier to an applicant with a conviction. This project will reimburse travel expenses and has accessibility.

**Application:** Visit the Community Action office to pick up a copy of the application form, or email volunteering@rhul.ac.uk to request an electronic copy. All volunteers must be registered as Community Action volunteers. To do so, visit [http://www.rhul.ac.uk/services/volunteering/register.html](http://www.rhul.ac.uk/services/volunteering/register.html)