



Community Action Project

SAVI

Community Action Partner

Surrey Association for Visual Impairment

Aim: SAVI is committed to working with blind and partially sighted people in Surrey, and to provide services so they may lead fuller, more independent lives.

Role: Home visiting, driving, phone friend. The ideal volunteer would be someone with an understanding or willingness to learn about the difficulties faced by visually impaired people. They should also have empathy and patience in dealing with people and a commitment to improving the lives of others. They are especially looking for volunteers with IT skills, as some of their clients may need help emails or online shopping.

Training: One day's training, including a tour of the facilities, health and safety, policies and procedures and sighted guide escort training. The volunteers are contacted during the first month or so of their chosen placement to ensure all is well.

Location: Surrey

Times: Home visiting - any day, any time. Driving - Mon-Fri 9-5pm. Phone friends - any day, any time.

CRB: This project requires a CRB disclosure.

Other: Volunteers will be reimbursed travel expenses and the project 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>

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