Community Action Project

Events Team

Community Action Partner

Samaritans

**Aim:** Samaritans’ vision is that fewer people die by suicide. They work to achieve this by making it their mission to alleviate emotional distress and reduce the incidence of suicidal feelings and suicidal behaviours. They do this by:

- Being available 24 hours a day to provide emotional support for people who are experiencing feelings of emotional distress or despair, including those which may lead to suicide.
- Reaching out to high risk groups and communities to reduce the risk of suicide; working in partnership with other organisations, agencies and experts and influencing public policy and raising awareness of the challenges of reducing suicide.

**Role:** Their Events Teams will encourage volunteers with a skill base or background in PR, Marketing and Event Management to become involved in their work. For those people keen to advance their CVs they will encourage volunteers with an interest in events to display a level of creativity and energy in order to help build dynamic events teams throughout London. Ideally they want to develop a group of skilled volunteers keen to be involved in the PR, Marketing and Events industries as a means to develop their career prospects. Responsibilities include undertaking all aspects of event management and PR/marketing activity in association with the management team at Samaritans, and advance the public awareness of the work and brand of Samaritans.

**Training:** Basic Samaritans training.

**Location:** To be confirmed with Community Partner.

**Times:** This would depend on the events being organised by the team. Most fundraising events take place in the evenings and weekends.

**CRB:** A CRB disclosure will be required via the Community Action office.

**Other:** This project has accessibility and the will reimburse expenses.

**Application:** 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)