



APPLICATION TO HOST A YOUTH WORK VOLUNTEER

The purpose of this application is to request the placement of a volunteer in the youth ministry of a church or project.

The following application includes three parts: We require the **CHURCH/PROJECT CONTACT DETAILS, HOST HOME DETAILS & VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS**. It is also a requirement that you attach an up to date copy of your **CHURCH/PROJECT'S SAFEGUARDING POLICY**. Please ensure that you complete all sections in full.

Thank you for your interest in hosting a youth work volunteer at your church/project. We are excited about what God is doing through Tees Valley Youth for Christ and the churches and organisations we work with.

Our vision is to see every young person aged 10-25 have the opportunity to hear the Gospel. We want to support churches and Christian projects, predominantly in Teesside, in their existing youth ministry and to help begin a new work in churches with no current youth work. We want to encourage churches to work together and to explore new initiatives in building relationships with young people both in and outside of the church.

Please note that we will do our best to meet your specific requirements but that we cannot guarantee to completely match the criteria you specify, so you may need to adjust accordingly. Whilst we offer substantial training, most of our volunteers are not qualified youth workers but have gone through a detailed application process. There may also be some cases where we are unable to fulfil your application for a volunteer.

The cost of hosting a volunteer is **£1500** which we will require upon acceptance of this application.

Please return this application as soon as possible



PART ONE: CHURCH/PROJECT CONTACT DETAILS: (Required Field)

Name of church/project:

Church Address:

Name of primary contact:

(This contact will function as the volunteer's manager and will need to work alongside the volunteer, meet with them regularly, and guide and support them in their tasks and ministry. This person will need to be in regular communication with TVYFC line-managers and other staff.)

Email address:

Telephone number:

PART TWO: HOST HOME DETAILS

We are committed to giving our volunteers appropriate accommodation. We would ask that they are not housed with a single person of the opposite sex and that they would have their own bedroom. We ask that you as a church/project check the host home to see if you feel the accommodation is suitable. We will also aim to view the accommodation and meet the hosts. We would advise that where possible, the volunteer is not housed with anyone who is in authority over them such as the senior pastor, youth pastor or team leader. This is just to give adequate space for both the leader and the volunteer. If no other home is available, please speak to us so that we can discuss options.

The hosts will be given a monthly contribution of £100 to cover some of the costs associated with housing the volunteer including food and utility bills. We recognise this will not cover all of their costs but will hopefully be a significant help toward the costs involved. If the volunteer is housed in a house without a host, they will receive £100 a month to help fund their own food. They will not be responsible for the household bills as this will be the church/project's responsibility to cover.

Where possible, we will try our best to provide you with a volunteer of the gender you requested, however, we cannot guarantee this and so would ask that you provide alternative host details if a different gender affects the placement.

Please note that in cases where there is a host claiming single persons council tax discount, the additional payment of council tax will need to be paid by either the host or covered by your church. Neither Tees Valley Youth for Christ or the volunteer will be liable to pay this extra amount.

Finally, we would ask that the volunteer is placed near to the church/project and with adequate transport options nearby so that they can travel as easily as possible without having to rely on lifts from the hosts.



PRIMARY HOST HOME DETAILS: (Required Field)

Name/s of primary host and relationship to the church/project:

Full home address of primary host:

Contact information for the primary host:

Home:

Mobile:

Email:

Names, ages, and relationship of everybody living in the host home:

In case of allergies, please list any pets:

Please state if your general diet at home is Vegetarian/Vegan/
Gluten Free/Other:

Please list any food allergies in the household:

Name/s of alternative host:

Full home address of alternative host:

Contact information for the alternative host:

Home:

Mobile:

Email:

Names, ages, and relationship of everybody living in the host home:

In case of allergies, please list any pets:

Please state if your general diet at home is Vegetarian/Vegan/
Gluten Free/Other:

Please list any food allergies in the household:



PART THREE: VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS (Required Field)

Please give a brief description of your church/project including denomination, size of congregation and approximate numbers of children & young people that you work with:

Please indicate how many hours a week your church or project can offer the volunteer.

10-15 16-20 21-25 26-30 31-35

Please can you tick the various things that your volunteer will be involved in:

- Youth Work: Coordinate, supervise, invest in youth ministry in and out of the church.
- Contact work: Use time to follow-up with youth via approved safeguarding media.
- Schools Work: Work in schools to build relationships and promote youth ministry.
- Mentoring: Use time to identify seeking/growing youth and help them grow in Christ.
- Sport Ministry: Use sports as a platform to interest the youth community toward Christ.
- Young Adult Ministry: Use time to connect with the 18-25 community and share Christ.
- University Work: Use time to build relationships with students to share Christ.
- Other:

We realise that you may wish to utilise your volunteers in other aspects of church life such as office tasks, children's ministry or working with adults and the elderly, however, this needs to be minimal (no more than 15% of their hours) with the main focus of the work to be aimed at 10-25 year olds.

If you intend to initiate any new projects through your volunteer, please describe the idea and needed resources?

Please indicate below a schedule of what their typical week would look like giving approximate hours for each activity. We also require them to have at least one regular full day off in the week. Please can you indicate which day that will be. While we are aware this will change occasionally to meet the needs of your church/project, please ensure they are given an alternative day off that week.



Monday:

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Thursday:

Friday:

Saturday:

Sunday:

How will the primary contact monitor the volunteer's progress and evaluate their work?

We want to see our volunteers gain more experience and leadership responsibility during their time with you. Please could you give us some idea of the opportunities you may be able to offer.

As part of the support network for each volunteer, we ask each church/project to provide a spiritual mentor other than their church line manager. Please provide the name and contact details of this person.

Although we cannot guarantee this need will be met, do you have any specific needs, abilities and gifts in the volunteer(s) we send?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Task-orientated | <input type="checkbox"/> Musically talented | <input type="checkbox"/> Evangelistic |
| <input type="checkbox"/> People-orientated | <input type="checkbox"/> Pastoral | <input type="checkbox"/> Supervise Volunteers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Strategic planner | <input type="checkbox"/> Plays/teach Sports | <input type="checkbox"/> Preaching |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Visionary/ideas person | <input type="checkbox"/> Media expertise | <input type="checkbox"/> Discipleship (equipping) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Organizer/Coordinator | <input type="checkbox"/> Soundboard skills | <input type="checkbox"/> Mentoring |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prefers to be upfront | <input type="checkbox"/> Creative (Arts and Crafts) | <input type="checkbox"/> Prefers behind the scenes |



As part of our application, I have included:

- PART ONE: CHURCH/PROJECT CONTACT DETAILS

- PART TWO: HOST HOME DETAILS

- PART THREE: VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS

- AN UP TO DATE COPY OF OUR CHURCH/PROJECT'S SAFEGUARDING POLICY

- I have read the attached document containing IMPORTANT DATES and understand that the dates given are not negotiable.

NAME: _____ DATE: _____

CHURCH/PROJECT NAME: _____