



YELLOW RIBBON UK VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteer Mentor

Providing emotional, practical and spiritual (where relevant) through-the-gate support to individuals leaving prison and returning to Telford and Shropshire and Worcester

In this role you will be responsible for:

- Attending all compulsory training events (approx. quarterly)
- Identifying targets for clients to work to
- Supporting clients to achieve identified targets
- Arranging and attending regular mentoring meetings with clients in the community
- Attending appointments with client (where relevant)
- Accompanying clients in the community to access support
- Encouraging and motivating clients
- Building client's self confidence
- Completing feedback forms within 24 hours of meeting
- Where possible pick up client from prison on day of release
- Undertake other duties as agreed with the Community Chaplain for the effective delivery of mentoring

Skills and Qualities Required for This Role:

- Available for at least 2 hours per week when client is in the community
- Excellent communication skills
- Trustworthy and reliable
- Committed
- Non-judgemental
- Enthusiastic and optimistic
- Caring & approachable
- Realistic
- Willing to work under guidance of volunteer co-ordinator
- No previous experience of working with offenders necessary