



Up-Cycling Volunteer Job Description

The Furniture Project has been established in Bath for over 20 years, providing affordable furniture and household goods to those on low-income throughout the B&NES area. We also provide fantastic work experience, volunteering and training opportunities.

Joining us as a volunteer is a rewarding and fulfilling experience. People volunteer for a variety of reasons; some want to contribute their time to help the community; others find themselves isolated or lonely and seek the stimulating team environment and the companionship that volunteering provides. Others join us to build or re-build their lives - coming to us for inspiration, skill development and to gain work experience.

Our Up-Cycling Volunteers will gain valuable work experience centred on furniture renovation - giving old and tired items a new lease of life. You will be based at our Workshop in Upton Cheyney, an idyllic farm location. This is a great opportunity to exercise your creative side and to achieve a finished product to be proud of.

At the Workshop, each person becomes a respected and valued member of our diverse team. In addition, for those who want to use volunteering as a springboard to personal development, we offer training opportunities that build confidence, teach people how to apply for jobs and become more effective at job hunting, as well as preparing for job interviews. Where functional skills such as literacy and numeracy are lacking, we can also offer help.

Hours and Location of Work

Our working day starts at 10.00 am and finishes at 3.00 pm.
We ask all volunteers to commit to their agreed days and times.
People can volunteer for 1 day a week and up to 5 days a week.
Transport to and from the Workshop is provided.
Volunteers should wear old clothes and bring a packed lunch.

Volunteer Tasks and Training

Learning the methods and techniques of repair and up-cycling
Stripping down old painted / lacquered surfaces
Preparing surfaces for repainting
Carrying out minor repairs
Preparing colour schemes and designs
Painting and finishing items
Learning how to clean and maintain tools and brushes to achieve good results

If you are interested in joining us please call or email Anthony Ward, Furniture Project Manager: Anthony@genesistrust.org.uk / 01225 438370