

Improving the lives of homeless people 3 Church Road Leatherhead KT22 8AT

Volunteer Role Description: Project Pickle Supporter

The Project: Leatherhead Start, an organisation offering support and accommodation to homeless people, has embarked on an exciting new venture and we need volunteers with a variety of skills to help make it happen. We will be taking to market a brand of pickles and chutneys – called 'inspire' – in order to create a sustainable business that our clients can help run. In the running of the business, our clients will be building up their skills, earning qualifications and adding valuable experience to their CVs – the end aim of which is to get them back into work.

The Role: As mentioned above, we will need volunteers with a variety of skills to get involved but the most pressing role we need help with at the moment is with the actual cooking of the products. Cooking sessions will be on Mondays from 10-1 and we need a few volunteers to come and oversee them. With the help of a professional chef, we have already created the winning recipes and he will be coming back for the first day of production to guide the process. An important part of the role would be to guide and motivate the Inspire Team Members (the clients who will be participating) and work closely with the Learning Development Worker to feedback on their progress.

Supported by: Kat Moore, Learning Development Worker

Role description:

- » Lead the Team in cooking one batch of pickle/chutney which will yield 40 jars per session
- » Collect the equipment from the storage unit
- » Feedback to Kat about progress of the Team members
- » Fill in H&S paperwork

Skills and experience required:

- » Excellent people skills
- » Positive 'can-do' attitude
- » Confidence in the kitchen
- » Are committed and reliable
- » Good time keeping
- » Good communication skills
- » Good organisational skills
- » Knowledge of food hygiene

Time Commitment: Mondays from 9:30-1, ideally at least once per month.