



Help in crisis, hope for life



VOLUNTEER CHEF, RICHMOND FOODBANK

The Vineyard Community & Richmond Foodbank are looking for a new Volunteer Chef to support our foodbank in the Richmond area.

There are roughly 13 million people in the UK who live below the poverty line and in the last 12 months, close to 3 million emergency food parcels were distributed by food banks in the Trussell Trust network — the most parcels ever distributed by the network in a year. In the Borough of Richmond, we continue to see high demand for foodbank services.

As a charity, we run crisis and social inclusion services across the Borough, of which our 6 foodbank locations play a massive part. Every day, we help individuals overcome personal crises and reconnect with society.



KEY INFO

Location:

- Richmond Foodbank at Vineyard Community Centre, The Vineyard, Richmond, TW10 6AQ

Hours:

11:45am - 15:15pm, every Thursday

Responsible to:

Richmond Foodbank Manager & Volunteer Co-Ordinator



HOW TO APPLY

Please fill in our Volunteer Application Form on Google Forms: <https://forms.gle/fEcY9TbqvSdtQaUy6>. Our Volunteer Coordinator Lindsay will then be in touch to progress your application.

CONTACT US



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THE ROLE

We are proud to have a small, commercial kitchen at Vineyard Community Centre, where we prepare meals for roughly 30 people per foodbank session. This service is completely free of charge for guests of the foodbank and aims to provide a welcoming environment and a nourishing meal during times of personal crisis.

As a volunteer chef, you will be integral to our foodbank and community services. Your tasks will include:

- Preparing vegetarian meals for use across foodbank sessions and Vineyard Community services
- Keeping the kitchen clean and tidy
- Creating a meal plan for Thursdays
- Ensuring all food is labelled and dated appropriately

PERSON SPECIFICATION

To excel in this role, we are looking for individuals who possess the following skills:

- Holds a Level 2 Health & Hygiene Certificate (or willing to undertake a half-day certification training, available to you for free through the charity)
- Committed to Vineyard Community & Richmond Foodbank ethos
- Passionate about cooking
- Comfortable in high-pressure environments
- Comfortable dealing with guests who may be difficult or upset
- Organised, reliable and able to take initiative
- 18yrs+ at the time of volunteering


Thank you for your interest in volunteering with us!




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