

VOLUNTEER ROLE DESCRIPTION

Role title:	Mentor
Location:	Out and about in the community
Responsible to:	Mentoring Coordinator
Duration of role:	Between 12 months – 2 years
Frequency:	A couple of hours about every 2 weeks



About Bolton Lads & Girls Club (BLGC)

BLGC aims to inspire and enable all young people, especially those from disadvantaged circumstances, to realise their potential and become happy, responsible and caring citizens. Every day the club makes a real and lasting difference to the lives of young people and our volunteers are a crucial part of achieving this.

The role:

We are looking for volunteers (over 21 years old) to make a difference to the lives of our most vulnerable children and young people through being a mentor for a child or young person (8 -21 years old). Each relationship is individual, however typical activities as part of your role may include:

- Meeting with your young person on a regular basis for a couple of hours. This can include, but not limited to, going for a walk, a milkshake, arts and crafts, bowling, baking, the cinema, and many more activities.
- To keep and submit brief notes about your contact/visits with your child or young person.
- Social activities and group work sessions with other mentors and young people.
- Quarterly supervisions with your Mentoring Co-ordinator.

We need volunteers who:

- Are passionate and committed to mentoring a child or young person for 12 months – 2 years.
- Can build a positive long-term relationship with a child/young person and be a positive role model.
- Are non-judgmental, good listeners and able to engage with a child/young person.
- Are reliable, honest, enthusiastic and fun.
- Can adhere to policies and procedures at all times with particular emphasis on equality and diversity, health and safety and safeguarding.
- Are able to drive and have access to a vehicle is essential for this role.

The benefits of volunteering in this role:

- You will receive a thorough induction programme and training to prepare you.
- You will receive weekly contact from your Mentoring Coordinator, quarterly supervisions and ongoing support.
- You will make a real difference to a young person's life.
- You will have opportunities to meet with other mentors and young people.

Additional information: You need to complete an application form, an enhanced DBS Check and our training on Mentoring and safeguarding.

For more information: Contact the BLGC Volunteering Team on 01204 540 139 or volunteering@blgc.co.uk