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**Aim:** Sebastian's Action Trust is a registered charity that provides respite holidays and many forms of practical support for seriously-ill children and their families. The children and adolescents they support battle with life-limiting or life-threatening conditions. Sebastian's Action Trust recognises how much these children need opportunities to enjoy normal activities - escaping from the rigours of hospital life and gruelling treatments to spend precious time with their loved ones. Their purpose-built holiday house opened in July 2011 and aims to welcome 100 families for free respite breaks and 500 individuals for day visits each year. The charity currently supports in excess of two hundred families.

**Role:** The charity is always looking for volunteers for several different roles:

- Marshals - Crown and Tiara Jubilee Walk - 20th May 2012
- Event support as and when the events are on - usually weekends - they attend community fairs etc
- More permanent volunteers to join one of their local fundraising groups
- Volunteers to raise money independently - bake sale etc
- Volunteers to help man their book shop in Bracknell on Saturdays

**Training:** This will vary depending on the role. For example someone volunteering for the Crown and Tiara walk will receive a briefing document from me via email and a briefing on the day. Or someone who wants to join a volunteer group on a more permanent basis will have an induction to the group with the person responsible for setting up the groups.

**Location/Times:** Unfortunately the charity can't be specific as the support required is as and when an opportunity arises. Their main opportunity at the moment is the Crown and Tiara Jubilee Walk 20th May 2012 - Trevelyan School in Windsor. 09.00am - 15.00pm - they are looking for volunteers to help marshal the 13 mile route.

**CRB:** No CRB is required

**Other:** They are a very small charity and most of the voluntary work will be as and when, unless the volunteer wants to join a fundraising group

**Application:** All volunteers must be registered as Community Action volunteers. To do so, visit <http://www.rhul.ac.uk/services/volunteering/register.html>

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