



Community Action Project CARE

Community Action Partner CARE in Egham and District

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Position: Chairman

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Aim: CARE's main aim is to provide help for people trying to get to hospital, other medical appointments, collecting prescriptions, and helping with shopping.

Role: Driving clients to hospital and surgery appointments, often waiting for them, and bringing them home. Other tasks can be shopping and visiting housebound residents. The ideal candidate would be someone with access to a car who is interested in people and enjoys helping others, particularly elderly and disabled local residents. Older people usually enjoy younger company, so taking time to talk with the clients is all part of the role too.

Training: Potential volunteers are each interviewed by the Chairman and references are taken. Once accepted volunteers are given a detailed briefing including; how jobs are allocated, the roster of Duty Officers, and the need for confidentiality etc. Volunteers are given CARE membership cards and community driver cards. During the year, volunteers meet with the Committee at the AGM and at an annual lunch for volunteers.

Location: CARE operate in the northern part of the Runnymede Borough; Egham, Egham Hythe, Englefield Green, Thorpe, and Virginia Water.

Times: Most requests for transport are during the working day Monday to Friday. Appointments can be early in the morning.

CRB: CRB disclosure is required via Community Action.

Other: A car and current driving licence is required.

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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