



HOMELESSNESS & HOUSING

Bedfordshire Credit Union

[Director](#)

The Volunteer Director role at Bedfordshire Credit Union involves helping the organisation broaden its reach and strengthen its impact across Bedfordshire. The role is suited to individuals with strong connections within the local community and an interest in reducing financial exclusion across the county.

[Customer Advisor](#)

Helping with customer queries such as opening accounts, applying for loans and transaction enquiries. If you are seeking work experience in the field of banking or finance, or are retired from a similar role, volunteering with BCU could be very fulfilling.

Emmaus Village Carlton

[Bistro Volunteer](#)

This role is based in our Bistro - a popular place that serves all day breakfast, drinks, baguettes, cakes and a weekly special.

[Trustee](#)

To ensure Emmaus Village Carlton pursues its charitable purposes, adheres to its principles and values and works strategically towards the benefit of its beneficiaries and the public.

[Volunteer Walker](#)

We run monthly walks for our companions and are looking for volunteers to join a staff member on these walks.

[Cake Baker](#)

We're currently looking for a volunteer baker to join our friendly and supportive team. This is a wonderful opportunity for someone who has a genuine passion for baking and would like to use their skills to make a real difference to our community.

[Gift Aid Support](#)

You'll guide customers to the correct parking area, meet them at their vehicle, and assist them in entering their details onto the computer system. A key part of the role is identifying larger donations such as furniture, as these can generate significant additional income through Gift Aid.

[Kitchen Assistant](#)

This role will be based in the companions kitchen, working alongside the cook, preparing and cooking meals for the companions.

[Old and Vintage Book Researcher / Seller for our eBay department](#)

This role will involve the research of old, vintage and a mixture of subject books that have been determined to be worth some money. The role will include the research of the book, its potential value, as well as photography of the book and creating a description ready for uploading onto Ebay.

HopeWorks

[Befriender Refugee & Migrant Services](#)

The Refugee & Migrant Services was developed in 2015 in response to the conflict in Syria and consequent refugee crisis. Since then, the R&MS Team has helped over 80 refugee families integrate into Bedfordshire, providing them with accommodation and holistic, trauma informed support.

[Volunteer Charity Champion](#)

The Charity Champion represents HopeWorks UK within local communities; helping to raise awareness, inspire engagement, and encourage partnerships that support our mission. This flexible, ad-hoc volunteer role is ideal for individuals who enjoy connecting with people and championing positive social impact.

[Volunteer Accommodation Befriender](#)

The Supported Accommodation Service offers housing, a high level of autonomy and independence, and tenancy support for a wide variety of people who have experienced homelessness and are moving toward independent living.

[Volunteer Gardening Assistant](#)

HopeWorks Supported Accommodation is for individuals who find themselves in need of a home and some support. People come to us from a wide variety of situations; from money troubles, job loss, relationship breakdowns to mental health difficulties and homelessness.

[Volunteer Pathways Assistant](#)

HopeWorks charity was started over 30 years ago under the name King's Arms Project, as a response to seeing people sleeping rough on the streets of Bedford. The organisation tackles homelessness, displacement, and isolation in Bedford borough, central beds and beyond.

Beyond Detention

[Support Volunteer](#)

Volunteers are required to help support the organisation with a variety of tasks and projects, usually in our office in the centre of Bedford.

[Casework Volunteer](#)

Volunteers are required to provide advice, guidance, and emotional support to people we support who are in Yarl's Wood IRC or have recently left and have been given the right to remain in the UK and who require ongoing support to establish themselves in their new community.

[Volunteer Befriender – Post-Detention](#)

The purpose of the Post-Detention Volunteer Befriender role is to provide befriending and emotional support to people after they have been released from Yarl's Wood Immigration Removal Centre and have been granted leave to remain in the UK. We ask that volunteers have the capacity to support each person on a weekly basis.

Dine With Us

[Cook \(at home\) Friday, Saturday or Sunday](#)

To cook for our services where we serve those in need. They enjoy wholesome, hearty food with bags of flavour so if this is something you can help with, get in touch! The food is typically assembled at your home and we cook it at the unit.

[Food Quality Control EVENINGS](#)

[Food Quality Control SATURDAY EVE](#)

[Food Quality Control TUES 5 - 7pm](#)

[Food Quality Control WEEKDAY](#)

To sort through stock which is bought in and see what is fit for human consumption or not, to make sure the Larder is kept to the high standards we expect when dealing with food (neat and tidy) and to prepare for our open days. Some cleaning of food areas and fridges may be required too.