



Walk of Light
Event Support Volunteer

**Blood
cancer
UK**

Why volunteer at Blood Cancer UK

We started because of Susan; we'll get there because of you.

Blood Cancer UK was started by one family who lost their daughter, Susan, to blood cancer, and that history and sense of family continues to shape who we are today. When you join Blood Cancer UK, you don't just become a volunteer – you become part of a collaborative community dedicated to funding research into beating blood cancer that includes some of the most inspiring people you'll ever meet.

And we're not that far away from beating blood cancer. We're confident we can do it within the next generation, and this makes us hugely ambitious and gives us a sense of real urgency. It also means we're changing quickly as an organisation as we constantly challenge ourselves and strive to become more and more effective.

Blood Cancer UK offers the chance to volunteer alongside, and support people affected by blood cancer, while providing opportunities to develop new skills, take on exciting challenges, and make a meaningful impact.

What we do

We fund world-class research; provide information and support to patients and their loved ones; and raise awareness of blood cancer. Since 1960 we have invested more than £500 million in blood cancer research in the UK. Where we've invested, survival rates and quality of life have improved.

You can read more about what we do on our website here: [About Blood Cancer UK](#)



Blood Cancer UK is such a good place to volunteer. I'm learning every day and feel like I'm adding value. I know my work is directly tied to the mission of the charity: to beat blood cancer."

Jude, Blood Cancer UK Ambassador

About the role

The Walk of Light event, taking place in Birmingham on Saturday 29th March 2025, aims to bring together those affected by blood cancer, offering a meaningful way to show support and gratitude to participants. Volunteers play a crucial role in ensuring the event runs smoothly, creating a welcoming and supportive atmosphere, and helping with key activities such as registration, lantern distribution, and cheering on walkers. The event provides an opportunity for volunteers to connect with others affected by blood cancer while helping to raise awareness and strengthen the community.

Please note that this role involves standing for long periods with limited seating available, so volunteers should be comfortable standing for several hours. The minimum age for this role is 18. This is an unpaid volunteer opportunity, where you'll play an important part in supporting the event.

Key Activities

You may be asked to cover a few of these areas, so please let us know if you have a preference:


- Helping with setting up lanterns, banners and the information stall
- Welcoming participants to the event
- Handing out lanterns
- Cheering on participants as they start the walk
- Giving out medals

How much time will you need to give?

The event will be held on Saturday 29th March 2025, and we'd love for you to be part of it. We're hoping you can commit to around 3-4 hours on the day. You can choose to volunteer anytime between 4pm and 8.30pm.

Location of the role

Cannon Hill Park, Russell Rd, Moseley, Birmingham B13 8RD



*"To anyone who is interested in volunteering for Blood Cancer UK, I would say it will be **THE best thing you will ever do**. Not only will you feel pride and achieve amazing things in helping such a worthwhile cause raising funds and awareness, but you will become part of the most amazing, supportive family ever".*

Gayle, Group Lead, Manchester Community Group

About you - what skills, experience and qualities will you need for the role?

- Empathy for people affected by blood cancer
- Ability to provide a friendly and supportive presence for attendees
- Comfort in signposting people to additional support if needed
- Willingness to listen and be understanding, as many attendees may have personal experience with blood cancer or have lost a loved one
- Flexible and ready to help wherever needed during the event
- Team player who works well with others
- Ability to stand for long periods (limited seating available)
- Reliable and punctual to ensure smooth event flow

How you will make a difference

By volunteering at Walk of Light, you'll help the event run smoothly, create a welcoming atmosphere, and provide support for those affected by blood cancer.

Your involvement will help boost morale, encourage community participation, and raise funds and awareness for Blood Cancer UK.

Deadline for applications and enquiries

The deadline to apply for this opportunity is Wednesday, 26th March 2025.

Benefits of Volunteering with Blood Cancer UK

Make a Difference

Help improve the lives of people affected by blood cancer.

Represent Blood Cancer UK

Be an ambassador in your community.

Develop New Skills

Gain valuable experience and learn new skills.

See Your Impact

Receive regular updates showing the difference your support makes.

Join a Supportive Team

Be part of a friendly, passionate, and dedicated community.

Inclusive & Respectful Environment

Join a diverse organisation where you are valued.

Boost Your Wellbeing

Enjoy improved confidence and personal growth.

Connect with Others

Network with other volunteers who share your commitment.

Ongoing Support

Receive continuous support from your Volunteer Point of Contact.

Access to Training

Benefit from an online Volunteer Information Centre for induction and ongoing training.

Expense Reimbursement

Get reimbursed for pre-arranged volunteer activity expenses.

How to register your interest

If you find a role that interests you, please complete our volunteer enquiry form on the Volunteer page of our website: [Register your interest to volunteer](#), or contact the Volunteer Team, by phone at 0207 504 2275 or by email at volunteering@bloodcancer.org.uk. We are available between 9am – 5pm, Monday – Friday.

Our volunteers come from all walks of life, bringing a wide range of skills, experiences, and personal connections to blood cancer from across the UK.

We want everyone involved with us to feel respected, supported, safe, and able to give their best, no matter their background or identity.

We understand that the way we work impacts who can join us and how they experience being part of Blood Cancer UK. That's why we're committed to being equitable and inclusive, ensuring everyone feels welcome and supported throughout their journey with us.

To achieve this, we know we must keep reflecting on and improving how we work. We're always open to feedback on how we can better live out our values.



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