Volunteer Job Description: Cornish Heritage Craft Enthusiast

Position: Craft Enthusiast - Volunteer

Location: United Response – Boscawen Farm

Time Commitment: Flexible; [We are looking to do 1 or 2 craft sessions / week]

Duration: Long-term

Overview:

We are seeking a creative and enthusiastic team of volunteers with a passion for Cornish heritage crafts, eager to learn new skills. These roles are perfect for people who enjoy hands-on activities, working with different materials, and engaging with a community that shares a love for heritage crafts.

Thanks to generous funding from the National Heritage Lottery Fund, we can offer free training opportunities with Cornish Heritage Craft experts including:

Heritage Cookery Wood Whittling Wool Work Basket Making Candle Making

As a Craft Enthusiast Volunteer, you will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of craft projects, learn new techniques, and assist in workshops and events that inspire creativity.

About Boscawen Farm

Boscawen Farm is part of United Response. It's a wellbeing day service offering opportunities to adults with learning disabilities to engage in tasks on a working farm, allowing them to learn each aspect of the jobs. Boscawen Farm offers horticulture, animal care, media and crafts.

Key Responsibilities:

- Participate in various heritage craft projects, including but not limited to cookery, wool work such as knitting or crochet, willow weaving, wood whittling and DIY projects.
- Assist in the preparation and setup of crafting classes or events.
- Help organise and maintain crafting areas, supplies, tools, and materials.
- Collaborate with team members to develop new craft ideas and activities.
- Support participants of all ages (including staff and the people we support) by demonstrating craft techniques, offering guidance, and encouraging creativity.
- Learn and adapt to new crafting skills and techniques as needed.
- Contribute to the creation of craft items for community projects, events, or fundraising activities.

Skills and Qualifications:

- A genuine interest in crafts and a willingness to learn new skills.
- Basic experience with crafting is a plus, but not essential.
- Patience and the ability to work well with others, including vulnerable adults.
- Good communication skills and a positive, enthusiastic attitude.
- Reliability and the ability to commit to a regular volunteering schedule.

Benefits of Volunteering:

- Gain hands-on experience in a variety of crafting techniques.
- Meet like-minded individuals and be part of a supportive, creative community.

- Opportunity to contribute to meaningful projects and events.
- A chance to inspire others and share your passion for crafting.

If you are excited about crafting and eager to expand your skill set, we'd love to hear from you! Join us in creating beautiful, handmade projects and make a positive impact in our community.

To Apply: To express your interest in this volunteer opportunity please contact **either**: Andrew Blight (07407 852659 & <u>Andrew.Blight@Unitedresponse.org</u>) **or** Ashleigh Allen (07483970576 & <u>Ashleigh.Allen@unitedresponse.org.uk</u>)