

Volunteering opportunities

Enjoy being outdoors and active?
Like working with people?

Why not JOIN THE VOLUNTEER CREWS on the
SWINGBRIDGE BOATS?

Volunteers can be active with Swingbridge all year round, helping crew our boat trips or taking part in riverside environmental work.

We need volunteers to train to skipper the boat and to work alongside offenders who join Swingbridge to serve their Community Payback sentence.

Volunteers play a vital part, encouraging and motivating the rest of the team.

We have a range of nationally accredited training courses with the National Community Boats Association. All volunteers who help run the Swingbridge trips work towards achieving the 'Community Crew Course', a workbook-based course during which new recruits are mentored through the crewing activities. Some volunteers go on to qualify as skippers by achieving the 'Boat Handling Certificate' and the 'Certificate in Community Boat Management'.

People who spend time helping with the Swingbridge environmental work programme can achieve Level 1 units, in recognition of skills they have learnt, through the Open College Network (OCN).



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OUR **work** at the Surrey Care Trust is to **transform the life chances** and **aspirations** of people who are marginalised by disadvantage and lack of opportunity or who need a second chance.

Much of our work today is in innovative training and education giving people a second opportunity of learning, discovering their abilities and developing their skills.

We are working with young people who have struggled to thrive in mainstream school through our **STEPS** programmes. We also have our own learning centres at Redhill, Staines and Woking.

Our **FACE** programme is re-engaging unemployed adults in learning and developing skills to improve their chances of finding work.

Our **Swingbridge Community Boats** provide a range of training and volunteering opportunities to help people learn new skills.

With our work running the **Stanwell Sure Start Children's Centre**, we are also involved in pre-school learning, as well as supporting local families and providing adult education.

The Surrey Care Trust also runs **Crisis Grants**, a fund which, for 27 years, has been providing modest, financial assistance, given swiftly, to local people facing hardship.