

Volunteer Role: Fundraising Officer

Help power the mission to save lives

About Us

Berkshire Lowland Search & Rescue (BLSAR) is a volunteer-run emergency service that helps find high-risk vulnerable missing people. Entirely run by trained volunteers, we operate across Berkshire and support surrounding areas, often in partnership with the police.

To keep our lifesaving work going, we rely on fundraising — and that's where you come in.

The Role at a Glance

Role Title: Fundraising Officer

Where: Home-based with occasional meetings in Bracknell

Time Required: Around 5 hours a week, flexible

Commitment Type: Ongoing volunteer role

Reports To: Unit Lead (Leadership Team)

Why This Role Matters

As Fundraising Officer, you'll be the driving force behind the income that helps keep BLSAR running. From raising awareness to securing donations and building community links, your work will directly support our volunteers in finding and rescuing those most in need.

What You Might Be Doing

In conjunction with a support team

- Shaping a sustainable fundraising strategy in line with BLSAR goals
- Organising fundraising events or helping others do so
- Building links with local businesses or groups for support or sponsorship
- Applying for small grants or funding opportunities
- Helping manage donor relationships and thanking supporters
- Promoting fundraising campaigns through email, social media or local press
- Working with others in the team to share ideas and inspire involvement

You won't be expected to do everything at once — we'll help you focus on the areas where you can have the most impact.

Skills You'll Need

- Friendly and confident talking to people
- Organised and able to follow through on tasks
- Comfortable using email and basic digital tools
- Creative thinking for events, campaigns or communication
- No fundraising experience necessary — just enthusiasm and a willingness to learn!

What You'll Get

- A key role in a team that's making a real difference
- Flexibility to work around your lifestyle
- A chance to learn new skills or build experience in fundraising
- Support from other members and the leadership team
- Plenty of appreciation and the satisfaction of knowing you're saving lives

How to Apply

Just send a short email to recruitment@berkshirerescue.org.uk telling us who you are and why this role interests you.

We don't need a CV — we're happy to have an informal chat first.