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| **Role Title** | Covid-19 Community Response – Volunteer Social Workers |
| **Role Advert** | The COVID-19 (Coronavirus) situation presents an unprecedented upheaval. Our current workforce is working tirelessly to help and protect the vulnerable in our community. There has been a huge increase in demand on our services. We are making provisions to offer a 7 day a week service from 8am-8pm to manage the anticipated increased demand and we are looking for volunteers to join us in serving our community.We urgently need unemployed qualified social workers, retired social workers and other social care workers to help with tasks such as screening vulnerable groups, providing telephone advice, cooking and cleaning, home visiting and other essential tasks. |
| **Time Commitment** | We are happy to be flexible around your schedule and of course understand that things might change quickly during this current situation.  |
| **Purpose of Role** | Using your skills and experience you will help vulnerable people during this unprecedented time. You will support with essential tasks and reduce the pressure on social services. With your expertise we can help those in distress at this difficult time. |
| **Key Tasks** | Support with the following:* screening vulnerable groups
* home visiting
* telephone advice
* personal care
* food preparation, cooking and cleaning for vulnerable people
* shopping, moving and handling
* supporting with medication
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| **Skills and Qualities Required** | * Be fit, healthy and not in an at-risk group – unless volunteering from home.
* Experience as a social worker, social care worker, or similar.
* Patient, compassionate and reliable.
* Respect for confidentiality.
* Able to keep clear and accurate records.
* Understanding of safeguarding and appropriate professional boundaries.
* Able to respect the boundaries of a volunteer role.
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| **Benefits of the role** | You will make a difference and support vulnerable people at this difficult time.Full support will be provided. |
| **How to Apply** | For more information and next steps please contact rachel.lukwago@kingston.gov.uk with:* brief details of your experience
* what you can and can’t do
* details of your social work registration
* details of your DBS (if you have one currently)
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