Gloucestershire

Youth Support Team

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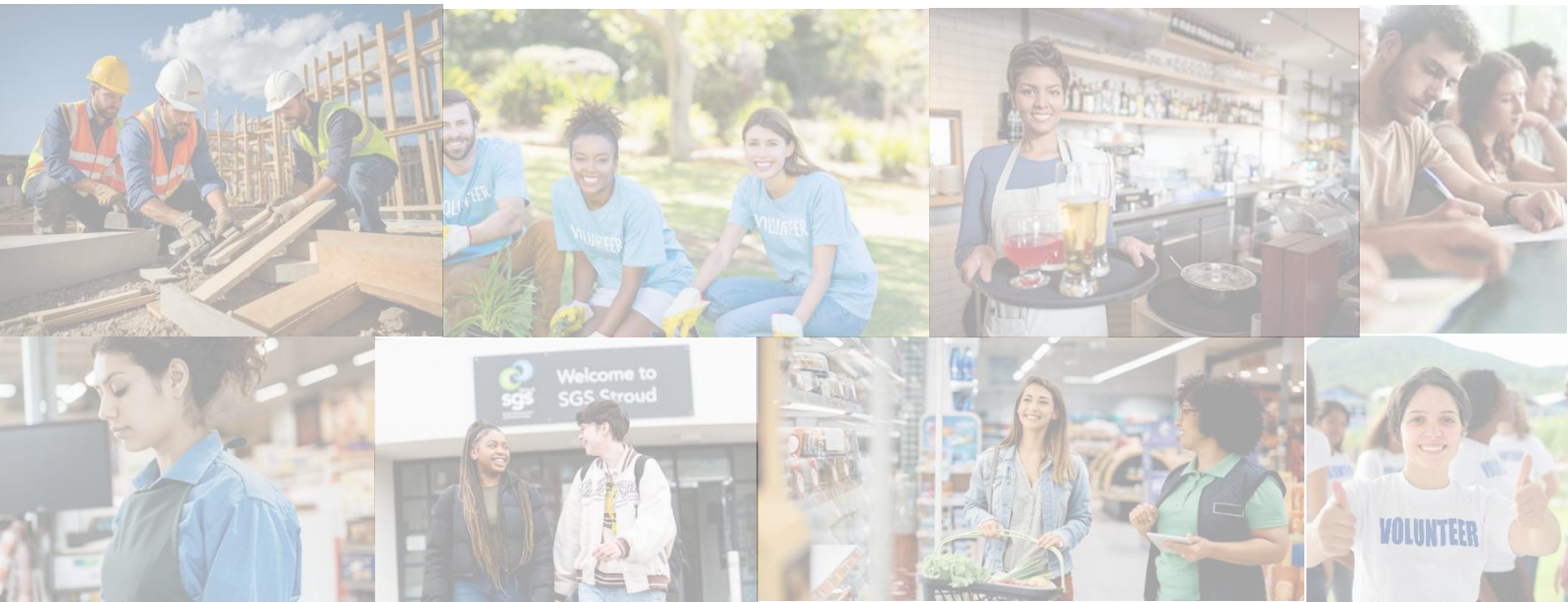
OCTOBER OPPORTUNITIES BULLETIN

Explore options in education, training, employment, apprenticeships and volunteering in Gloucestershire



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6th Form Schools and Colleges

Applications open October / November

Check entry requirements for your course

Discuss options with the 6th form / college if you do not get the required grades

Contact them directly

Gloucestershire County Council's 6th Form and post 16 Guidance:

Schools sixth form admissions | Gloucestershire County Council

How to Apply for Sixth Form or College

South Gloucestershire and Stroud College (SGS)

Web: Full and Part time Courses available at SGS College

Open day – 10th October / 10am-3pm. Register - Open Day

Cirencester College

Web: 16-19 Course Directory - Cirencester College

Tel: 01285 640994

Email:admissions@cirencester.ac.uk

Open days: 17th October / 13th March / 24th June

Hartpury College

Web: Hartpury University and Hartpury College

Tel: 01452 702244

Email: admissions@hartpury.ac.uk

Gloucestershire College

Web: Courses And Apprenticeships | Gloucestershire College (gloscol.ac.uk)

Tel: 0345 155 2020

Email: applications@gloscol.ac.uk

Open days in November, January and May - Open Events | Gloucestershire College

Forest Sports Education

Web: Forest Sport Education

Email: jordan.fishwick@vluk.org

Lydney & Oxstalls

Stage Door Learning (Performing Arts)

Web: Stagedoor Learning

Email: jenny@stagedoorlearning.org.uk

Training and Study Programmes

Bridge Training Study Programme

Home - Bridge Training Ltd

- Hair Dressing (Entry Lv 3 & lvl 1- 2)
- Beauty (Entry Lv 3 & Lv 1 - 2)
- Creative Digital Media (Lvl 1)
- Health and Social Care (Entry lvl 3 & Lv 1- 2)
- Art and Design (GCSE)
- Maths and English GCSE
- Literacy & Numeracy Functional skills
- Games Design (Entry Lvl 3 & Lvl 1

Email: hello@bridgetrainingltd.co.uk

Tel: 01452 411112

Location:

Archdeacon Training Centre, Archdeacon Ct, Gloucester GL1 2QX







Horizons Pathway with Bridge Training

This pathway is designed to support re-engagement and mentoring through different ways.

The pathway offers support in the following areas:

- Assess needs and create a personalised engagement plan
- Home visits
- Onsite sessions
- Taster sessions
- Travel training to help using public transport
- Information, advice, and guidance
- Pastoral support
- Counselling
- Maths and English

If you would like to join, email your YST Worker or email ystopportunitysupport@gloucestershire.gov.uk

Gloucestershire Youth Support Team

Gloucestershire County Council

Experience real work placements and different jobs. Build confidence in the workplace and gain employability qualifications.

Teamwork

Communication

Confidence

professionalism

Problem-Solving

Time Management

Responsibility

Email:enquiries@prospect-training.org.uk

janet@prospect-training.org.uk

Tel: 01452 300255

Prospect Training Study Programme

Prospect Training Services | Home (prospect-training.org.uk)

- Work experience

Career Planning, Job applications, Apprenticeships

- Maths and English

GCSE and Functional Skills

If you have a part-time job you can do Maths and English alongside.

- Illumin8

Supports those young people with EHC Plans or support needs in a smaller group environment suitable for their development.

sarahw@prospect-training.org.uk

- ESOL

Reading, writing, speaking English

- Childcare

Caring for Children and Young People Level 2

Football Futures

- Regular coaching & Training Sessions
- Improve your fitness, performance and game understanding
- Develop technical & tactical skills
- Learn from experienced coaches and professionals.
- Explore careers in coaching, fitness & personal training, community sports development and health and wellbeing roles.
- Gain confidence in leaderships, teamwork, communication, discipline and motivation, time management and responsibility.

Partnered with Cheltenham Town FC, you'll experience a real football environment

Gain qualifications or work towards:

- Level 1 or 2 Sport, Fitness and Active Leisure
- English and Maths if needed.

Shoots Study Programme

Contact

becky.pratten@shootstraining.co.uk

They will support finding a placement

Bank holiday's, weekends and school holidays off.

This is a study programme so there is no wage

It classifies as education so will not affect Child Benefit.

Level 1 Childcare | **Level 1 Business Admin**

- 16 – 18 year olds (up to 24 if you have an EHCP)
- Fully funded
- Practical and hands on learning
- Small groups
- Maths and English Functional Skills
- 1:1 teaching

Shoots Study Programme is 2 days a week online learning and 3 days a week in work placement. The placement will depend on your course, in an early years or office setting.

The programme is 6 – 9 months

Shoots will support you progressing into an apprenticeship or employment when the programme ends. They can support with interview preparation and CV writing.

The Music Works

https://themusicworks.org.uk/make-music/

Masterclasses

- Advice and guidance from professionals
- Insider knowledge and understanding
- Networking opportunity's

Look for upcoming classes - Masterclasses - TheMusicWorks

Get Started with Music

- Meet and collab with like minded people
- Support from industry professionals
- Master basics of music production
- Use a professional recording studios
- Earn Level 1 Certificate in Music Leading
- Free, travel costs covered

Tuesday 10th November – 1pm-3pm - Drop in session to find out more

Monday 16th November – Friday 27th

Monday-Friday 1pm-4pm

Creative Futures

An opportunity for anyone interested in a career in the creative industry

9th – 14th November

Day 1– Warner Chappell Music Masterclass

Day 2 – 20 years of Arts

Day 3- Creative Health and Wellbeing

Day 4 – Music Industry Day

Day 5 – TBC

Day 6 – Open Mic Sessions

Register your interest - Form

Gloucester

Kings House, 27 St Aldate Street, Gloucester, GL1 1RP

Tel: 01452 923950

Forrest of Dean

Sound Space, The Forest High, Cinderford, GL14 2AZ

Tel: 01594 825124

Pass the Mic

Monday 5 – 6 pm

Develop confidence in live performances

Improve skills

Work with a Music Mentor

For signers, rappers, producers, beat makers and DJ's

Music Social

Professional Music Environment

Recording & rehearsal studios

Work with music leaders

Networking opportunities

Spear Training

Spear Programme - Resurgo

Email: hello@spearcheltenham.org.uk

Start Dates

17th November

Location:

Trinity House

Trinity Lane
Cheltenham

GL52 2NT

Tel:

01242 808780

Mobile:

07546 738985

Email:
hello@spearcheltenham.org.uk

- 4 week pre employment training for 16-24 year olds
- Group of 10 – 15 people
- Focus on mindsets, confidence self esteem, motivations, communication skills, networking and professionalism.
- 6 month follow up support
- 1:1 sessions / group sessions
- Mock interviews with real employers
- Presentation skills
- CV and job application support and networking opportunities ; employability skills





Sign up here

2nd November

Commercial Foundations - No Limits

Young Persons Hub | Commercial Foundation

Rockfield Business Park

Cheltenham

GL53 0AN

Tel: 01242 894 252

Mobile:

07736 377279

Email:

Fiona.clarke@commercialfoundation.co.uk

Bus fare will be paid for

Breakfast and lunch provided

This is an **8 week employability programme**, Monday to Thursday, 10am – 3pm

You will be in a real working environment which provides routine and structure

The programme is a mixture of workshops about CVs, mock interviews, presentation skills, mindset and motivation, the world of work and life skills.

It also involves real work for real companies. You will gain work skills and improve your communication and teamwork skills.

We will aim to get you work ready and more confident. You will gain transferable skills, confidence, and more

You will get weekly 1:1 meetings for mentoring and support

Structure

Week 1 – Introduction

Week 2 – World of Work – Where do you want to go next

Week 3 – Presentation week – learn how to give confident presentations and how to present yourself to employers

Week 4 – Interview Skills – Mock interviews with real companies

Week 5 – Health and Wellbeing in the workplace

Week 6 – Life skills

Week 7 – interview skills pt 2

Week 8 – Moving forward

Military Preparation College for Training

Location: Gloucester

6 Rifles camp

Eastern Avenue

GL4 3BD

Email:

michael.hannis@learningcurvegroup.co.uk

Tel: 0330 111 3939

Book:

Induction days are every Friday. Book with the ink below

https://mpct.co.uk/location/gloucester/

Armed Forces Information Event Tickets, Monday 3 August • 11 AM - 1 PM | Eventbrite

Physical training makes up 50% of the course.

Weekly Military Training.

Monthly Careers sessions

The programme includes physical exercise and personal development. Building Team work and communication Skills as well as Maths and English and NVQ Level 2 in Preparation for Military

The college cover modules such as:

- Communication skills for the military
- Teamwork skills for the military
- Health and Safety
- Navigation/Field Craft skills

This is an example of their day-to-day timetable:

Morning:

- Breakfast is supplied between 0830 – 0900.

Classwork until lunchtime.

- Lunchtime: Allowed to go out for food/drink.

Afternoon:

- Physical Training Activities this can be anything from circuit training in a studio at the leisure centre (GL1) , swimming, boxing fitness etc.
- Team-building activities, such as carrying logs in groups (Log PT).

The college hold special careers days where Military, Navy, and Aircraft staff conduct mock interviews and presentations. There are occasional day visits/trips to military sites for career awareness and learners also get the chance to meet serving soldiers etc who come in occasionally to do career presentations and hear all about life in the forces. The college staff are all ex-military too

Creative Sustainability

3rd Space Youth Programme

Location:

Stroud

Fromehall Mill

Email:

hello@cscic.org

Tel: 07869267242

Online referral

Attendee sign-up - Upshot

- space for young people 16 to 25
- build confidence and skills with opportunities to access resources, connections, support, advocacy, and representation, towards better mental, emotional, and physical health and wellbeing.
- Join in on Residentials and Camps, Outdoor activities and workshops, Social time to develop and maintain friendships, Learning, volunteering and work opportunities
- Use the kitchen, IT Room, Music room and Art room

Monday Creative breaks @ Home sessions

Email - **helensmith@cscic.org**

Online

Email the address given or call

07869 267242

- Designed to help express yourself, and help with self care to benefit mental health and wellbeing in a creative way
- You'll be sent a free art kit
- Each week focuses on a different theme
- Every Monday 3 – 4:30

Access Bike

Location:

Stroud

Fromehall Mill

3-6pm Mon - Fri

Email:

accessbike@cscic.org

Tel:

07482 104038

- community bike workshop & youth space
- build, repair and up-cycle old bikes.
- free access to our workshop space, bike-stands, tools, and mechanic support.
- refurbishing donated bikes and selling them at affordable price
- 'Earn a bike' through volunteering to fix up bikes for others

The King's Trust

Team Programme

Boost your confidence with Team | Get a job (princes-trust.org.uk)

- 12 week Personal development programme for 16 – 25 year olds
- Take on your own group community project, making a positive difference to the place where you live
- take part in a fun-filled residential trip
- two weeks' work experience in something you're interested in
- Improve your English, maths, communication and teamwork skills
- develop your interview and CV skills

9th November

Watch Here for Team Programme

Schedule

Week 1 - Meeting the team and planning

Week 2 – Residential trip – climbing, abseiling, gorge walking, canoeing and more!

Weeks 3-6 – Community project – eg painting a youth club

Week 7 – Meeting variety of employers, arranging work placement

Week 8 – Work experience week

Week 9 – Planning your future – CV, interview skills and applications

Weeks 10-11 – Challenge week – work with a group of individuals, create activities to run etc

Week 12 – Celebration week! Awarded certificate and celebration with team.

Week 13 – Enrichment week

Contact

Location: Gloucester

Tel:

01452 501 008

Email:
Georgie.bufton@younggglos.org.uk

getinvolved@younggloos.org.uk

Prince's Trust 'Talk to us' programme:

Get careers guidance / advice and talk to Youth Support Advisors

9:00am to 6:00pm Monday to Friday

Live Chat (princestrust.org.uk)

Youth Groups

Stroud

Stroud Youth Support Centre

Reyleaze Road

GL5 1JR

Contacts

YSTeast@family-action.org.uk

Call – 07990375013

-----Monday-----

Moodlift Mondays

11 – 18 / 3:30 – 5PM

Relaxed space to unwind, chat, take a breather from the pressure of every day life. Meet new people and build confidence

-----Tuesday-----

Sports Youth Session

4:30-7PM

Fun sports activities, team building, healthy lifestyle and boosting mental health

-----Wednesday-----

SEND Youth Session

16-25 year olds 6:30pm-8:30pm

-----Thursday-----

Home Ed Group

Open to ages 11 – 18. Alternating Tuesdays and Thursday 11:30-2pm

Take part if activities, study time, chats and shared lunch. Use facilities including pool table, table tennis, PS5, Cooking, air hockey, sports hall and board games.

Cirencester

Impact Youth Centre

Lewis Lane

Cirencester

GL7 1EB

YSTeast@family-action.org.uk

-----Monday-----

Youth Group

4pm - 6:30pm

Ages 11 – 18. Use social spaces such as pool table, table tennis, board games, arts and crafts, PS5 and sports equipment

Home Ed Group

11:30am – 2pm

Open to ages 11 – 25. Take part if activities, study time, chats and shared lunch. Use facilities including pool table, table tennis, PS5, Cooking, air hockey, sports hall and board games.

-----Thursday-----

SEND Youth Group

11-15 year olds – 4pm – 6pm **/** 16-25 year olds 6:30pm-8:30pm

-----Friday-----

The Door Youth Session

11- 18 - 3pm – 5pm

Cheltenham

Whaddon Youth Hub

Dart Rd

Cheltenham

GL52 5QW

-----Monday-----

Embrace (SEND group) - 6:30 – 8:30

Safe environment for those who are neurodivergent or have additional needs, make friends, play games, cook and create.

-----Tuesday-----

Skate Hub - 4:30-5:30

Use indoor ramps, practice with scooters and skate boards. We have spares you can use. Must wear trainers.

Cleave Youth Club

6-7pm

Email Ali for further information in times:

Ali.Kirkwood@childrenssociety.org.uk

-----Wednesday-----

Home Education Group

Play games, make crafts and bake.

-----Thursday-----

Fuel Thursday - 5:30-7pm

St. Paul's Youth Community Hub

Manser Street

Cheltenham

GL50 4HG

St Pauls Youth Club - 4pm-6pm

Cook, play sport and games run by Cheltenham Football Club coaches

Tewkesbury

Tewkesbury Youth Support Centre

Link Road

Tewkesbury

GL20 4JQ

Email Ali.Kirkwood@childrenssociety.org.uk

For further information on the Home Ed group

-----Tuesday-----

Epic SEND group -6:30-8:30

Inclusive space for those who are neurodivergent or have additional needs. Make friends, play games, cook, crafts or play sport.

-----Wednesday-----

Fuel Wednesday - 4pm-6pm

An opportunity to cook, play sport and games, build friendships.

-----Friday-----

Home Ed group

For 10 – 18 year olds, meet and play games, make crafts and bake. Option for parents to stay and have a cup of tea with other parents who are home educating their children.

Gloucester

The Vibe Youth Centre

Druids Lane

Gloucester

GL4 4RE

Tel: 01452 303 199

theventure.whitecity@yahoo.co.uk

julie@theventurecommunityhub.co.uk

-----Tuesday-----

Try It Out Tuesday - 10:30-12

For 16 – 18 year olds who are not in education, training or employment

Innovations – 6pm-7:30

A 16+ SEND group

-----Wednesday-----

What's on Wednesday (WOW) – 6pm-7:30

14+ engagement group

Virtual Resources & Online Learning

Harvard University

Courses | Harvard University

- online training programmes all available for immediate start
- course ranging all from different time lengths (1 weeks to 12 or more weeks)

Open University

Free short courses from the Open University | OpenLearn - Open University

- Online courses available for immediate start
- introductory to advance level qualifications.
- can include science, creative arts, languages, education and business, and more.

Home and Learn

Free Beginners Computer Tutorials and Lessons (homeandlearn.co.uk)

- Free online computer course for immediate start
- Courses can range from beginner to advance with courses offering android to Microsoft training programmes and web design.

Reed

Free Courses & Training | reed.co.uk

- Free online courses, ranging from interview and CV writing techniques to employment and training courses in subjected areas of interest.
- These courses are available for immediate start with subject to space availably due to popular demands.

Virtual Resources & Online Learning

Online Pathway to Care Course

Florence Academy

- Pathway to Care is for anyone interested in working in UK social care.
- You don't need any previous care experience or qualifications to take this course. To build your knowledge of caregiving and what you can expect from a career in care, to help you find your first role in UK social care services.
- This course is for complete beginners and is designed to be taken before any other care qualifications, including the Level 1 Care Certificate.
- Pathway to Care is entirely online and made up of 11 modules, Chapters include videos, tips and guidance from industry experts. Self-assessment questions help test your knowledge at the end of each chapter.

Barclay's Life Skills

LifeSkills | Developing work and life skills (barclayslifeskills.com)

- free employability programme that supports people throughout the UK to develop the confidence, skills and knowledge they need to succeed in the workplace.
- Use their interactive tools and explore tips to discover how your interests and skills can help you find your path to success. As well as develop your interview, enterprise and employability skills to help prepare for your next steps.

Alison Courses

Alison | Free Online Courses & Online Learning

- Online portfolio of classes in a variety of different topics such as IT, Business, Construction etc

Enrolment

New Functional Skills cohorts start every 2 to 3 weeks.

There is currently no waiting list.

Waiting lists typically begin to develop around November and December.

If you miss 3 sessions without prior notice, you will be withdrawn from the course

If advance notice is given, Sport 4 Life can adjust the learner's timetable to accommodate the missed session.

Attendance and Resits

If do not attend your exam without notice you will be withdrawn from the course.

Sport 4 Life will fund one resit opportunity

Progression to Exams

You will be invited to sit your exams in Birmingham once you have:

Completed 100% of their learning sessions.

Achieved at least 80% on the quizzes linked to their course content.

Sport4Life

Functional Skills in Maths and English

Online qualifications for Young People | Sport 4 Life UK

- Learning is completed independently
- Young people create their own timetable and study at times that suit them.

Learners are expected to complete approximately:

2 hours per week for Maths and 2 hours per week for English

Maths Exam

The Maths assessment consists of two papers:

- Non-calculator paper
- Calculator paper

English Exam

The English assessment includes:

- 1-hour reading exam
- 1-hour writing exam
- A spoken presentation of approximately 7 minutes, followed by questions from other learners.
- A group discussion of approximately 7 minutes.
- You can practice your presentation online with trainer and receive feedback before the assessment.

Examination Requirements

- Learners must travel to **Birmingham** to sit Functional Skills exams.
- Maths and English exams are held on separate days
- **Exam sittings take place approximately every 2 to 3 months**

Work Experience and Volunteering

Regular places to check for Volunteering:

- **Go Volunteer Glos**
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- **Gloucester NHS**
  Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust website (gloshospitals.nhs.uk)
- **Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust**
  Home | Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust
- **SkillZone**
  Volunteering opportunities at SkillZONE - SkillZONE (glosfire.gov.uk)
- **Gloucestershire Hospitals**
  Work experience

Ask Us

|Tel: 01452 426991 | Email: ask@gloucestershire.gov.uk|

- Specialist team to support with work experience
- The team can provide an industry specific list of companies to approach with your CV, with a named contact for each.

British Army - Work experience

BASE - British Army Supporting Education (mod.uk)

|Tel: 0345 600 8080 | Email: rg-nrcoutreachadmin@mod.gov.uk|

- Work experience for 14–18-year-olds
- 4 day residential

NHS Gloucestershire Hospitals

Work for us (gloshospitals.nhs.uk)

|Tel: 0300 422 5176 | email: ghn-tr.apprenticeships@nhs.net|

- Apprenticeship opportunities, work experience opportunities, Careers Q&As & Workshop sessions.

Gloucestershire Constabulary

Police volunteers | Gloucestershire Constabulary

Email: volunteers@gloucestershire.police.uk

- Develop and enhance your skills and experience
- Gain an insight into what the police do
- Gain an understanding of how your local community is policed.

NHS Opportunities

Apprenticeships

Level 3

Equivalent to A Levels

Apprentice Dental Nurse

*4s in Maths and English

Health and Social Care Apprenticeship

*Maths and English not needed. Full driving license needed

Dental Nurse Apprentice

*Maths and English desirable, not essential

Closes 12th August

Take the test – What NHS career suits you!

Health and Social Care Taster Day – 27th November

09:30am – 2:30pm / Oxstalls Campus, GL2 9HW

Join in 3 x 45 minute workshops with experts in nursing, paramedic science, radiography, social work, physiotherapy and more.

Book your spot - Request to Book – UoG Outreach Events 2026/2027 (Page 1 of 3)

Free Public Health Course

Introduction into public health. Learn what is public health, its shifting focus, different perspectives, influences and life effects. The course is 6 hours

https://www.open.edu/openlearn/health-sports-psychology/public-health/introducing-public-health/content-section-0?active-tab=content-tab

Gloucester City Centre

Email:

Glicb.careers@nhs.net

NHS Health & Science Careers Guides →

If you are passionate about helping others and are eager to learn this could be the path for you. There are many different routes into the NHS, you do not always need a degree.

Explore Careers in the NHS Online course →

Explore the wide range of careers within the NHS. This short course will help you in the right direction.

The course has 2 key parts:

- Videos

Introduce real NHS jobs, giving you a behind the scenes look.

- Digital workbook

Guide you through questions, reflections and activities.

Royal College of Nursing Cadets

9:30am – 4:00pm

Gloucester City Centre

Cost: FREE

Register you interest with the link or QR Code below.

Receive a certificate

Those who complete Bronze and Silver will have the chance to progress to Gold level through work experience at Gloucestershire Hospitals

Develop your skills, grow in confidence and understand what it means to work on nursing, health and social care.

• Experience – Boost your CV by completing a programme delivered by the Royal College of Nursing.

• Practical skills – Learn emergency response basics, try manual-handling techniques, and take on our Infection Prevention "escape room" challenge.

• Career options – Meet and learn from real Nurses and explore different health and care career paths.

• Work experience – You may be offered a work-experience placement in a local health or care setting.

Programme dates

Bronze Level: 14th & 15th October 2026 (must attend both days)

Silver Level: 21st & 22nd October 2026 (optional continuation after Bronze but must be completed in order to qualify for work experience in the hospital.)

Register your interest here: RCN Introduction to Nursing Programme Sign Up Form - October 2026

Bridging the Gap

A free short course for anyone interested in a future career at Gloucester Services

Perfect for anyone interested in a career in retail, hospitality and catering. Improve your communication and customer service skills and support recognising your strengths and career options.

Each session is 4 hours. You will learn the key skills needed for working in retail / hospitality.

- Support applying for jobs
- Interview skills
- Communication and Customer Service Skills
- Teamwork
- Guaranteed interview

Contact

Phone: 07423688171

Email: office@ggtrust.org

GL Communities, Advice and Resource Centre, Norbury Avenue, Matson, GL4 6AG

Tuesday 6th and Wednesday 7th October

10am-2:30pm

Lunch included

Stroud Life Skills

If you have any questions contact:

Emily.Hill@gloucestershire.gov.uk

07867 181305

A five day programme to help build confidence, employability skills and prepare for future opportunities.

- Improve your CV
- Interactive workshops
- Build confidence
- Discover your strengths and skill
- Make new connections
- Interview practice with professionals



Monday 12th – Friday 16th October



10am-2:30pm



Ryeleaze Road, Stroud, GL5 1JR

Sign up Stroud Life Skills Forum

Volunteering in the Forest of Dean

Forest Upcycling Project

- Help keeping the shop tidy, fixing and upcycling furniture, recycling. Re-upholstering furniture, bike maintenance and dismantling, gardening and more

Forestupcyclingproject@gmail.com

01291 408300

Chepstow

monmouthshireupcycling@gmail.com

Blakeney Hill Growers

- Land based work
- Gardening, fencing, milking goats and everything in between

01594 368240

Email:

Blakeneyhillgrowers@gmail.com

Tel: 07815 660013

Sign up to the monthly volunteering newsletter

Cook for Breakfast Club

- Have or willing to get certificate in food hygiene
- 1-2 hours of cooking with assistance of manager
- Limited to sausage and bacon baps





Cook for Breakfast Club | Go Volunteer Glos

Media and PR Executive

- Use Social Media
- Find spaces in magazines and websites to display information
- Support events and projects
- Take photos to promote

Media and PR executive | Go Volunteer Glos



Volunteering in the Forest of Dean

Click here for the volunteering booklet

Media and PR Executive

- Use Social Media
- Find spaces in magazines and websites to display information
- Support events and projects
- Take photos to promote

Digital Champion Volunteer – Forest of Dean Digi Hubs | Go Volunteer Glos

Cotswold Volunteering & Work Experience

Birdland Park and Gardens

Birdland Park and Gardens, Rissington Road, Bourton-on-the-Water, GL54 2BN

Tel: 01451 820480

Email: info@birdland.co.uk

- Garden maintenance
- Animal care
- Assisting with feeding displays
- Building bird boxes (carpentry work)
- And more....



Volunteering-at-Birdland-Park-and-Gardens-1.doc

Cirencester

Signposting Volunteer-South Cotswolds | Go Volunteer Glos

South Cotswolds Foodbank

- Signposting
- Support people visiting the foodbank
- Be warm and welcoming
- Connect people to local services

Moreton-in-Marsh

Gardening Volunteer | Go Volunteer Glos

Gardening Volunteer

- Based at North Cotswolds Hospital
- Wednesday between 10am-12pm

Bourton-on-the-Water

Fundraising volunteers | Go Volunteer Glos

Fundraising Volunteer

- Help with fundraising activities
- Support events, campaigns and community initiatives
- Stewarding events, selling raffle tickets, collecting donations and more.

Volunteering / Work Experience in Tewksbury

Social Media Volunteer with Hungry No More

- Raise awareness of work of Hungry No More
- Create engaging social media content
- Scheduling and uploading posts
- Help promote events, services and campaigns
- Sharing volunteer stories and community impact

Cheltenham Rd E,
Churchdown,
Gloucester GL3 1HX,
UK

Volunteering - Tewkesbury Nature Reserve

Email: volunteers@tewkesburynaturereserve.org.uk

Tel: 07375 130563.

Tewkesbury Nature Reserve

- **Practical Nature Reserve Volunteer** – reserve management and maintenance with other volunteers. Tasks include scrub cutting, hedge laying, reed cutting, path clearance and more. Training and tools included.
- **Outdoor Learning Volunteer 18+** – assisting setting up and running educational activities for schools and other groups and/or running a forest school group.
- **Outreach Volunteer** – Helping the staff team set up and run events. Eg setting up stalls, chatting to visitors, running activities.
- **Walk Leader Volunteer** – Leading guided walks for small groups of visitors around the nature reserve**.**
- **Citizen Science Volunteer** – Helping to monitor the wildlife. Eg; big butterfly count; dragonfly monitoring; bat surveys; bird recording and more.
- **Marketing Volunteer** – promote the reserve via writing articles for newsletters; writing short social media posts; taking photographs of the reserve, its wildlife and events.

Volunteer in a Library | Gloucestershire Libraries

Sun Street
Tewkesbury
GL20 5NX
United Kingdom

Age UK
Gloucestershire

Digital Skills Volunteer (Tewkesbury) | Go Volunteer Glos

Digital Skills Volunteer

- Support older people online
- Give 1:1 and group IT training
- Confidence using phones, tablets and laptops
- Communications skills, patience and understanding needed

Volunteering in Gloucester

Read with me

Home - Read With Me

DBS Check is needed

Email Michelle @ volunteer@readwithme.org.uk

Call - 07880 288395

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https://www.govolunteerglos.org/o/PDSA/opportunities/-/70015

20 The Oxbode

Gloucester

GL1 1SA

Gloucester Ski & Snowboard Centre, Matson Ln, Gloucester, England GL4 6EN,

Non-Skiing role (loading) | Go Volunteer Glos

Read with me

All across Gloucestershire i.e. Forest and Tewksbury

- Become a volunteer reader for local primary school children in and around Gloucester
- Read at dedicated after school session. You can attend as many as you would like
- 3:15 – 4:30 at a local Family Hub
- Craft activities, chatting, reading and developing communication skills within children
- You will complete their online safeguarding course as part of your induction.

PDSA Charity Shop Volunteer

- 18+
- Retail experience
- Learn new skills and develop CV
- Full training
- Travel expenses reimbursed

Gloucester Adaptive Ski Club

- Non skiing role
- Loading and unloading ski's up the dry slope
- Reasonable level of fitness and dexterity needed
- No physical lifting required

Young Friends Volunteer

North Cotswolds

DBS Check paid for by Cotswold Friends

Opportunities to shadow nursing staff and physiotherapists.

Reference which can be a previous employer, family friends, old teacher / trainer

There will be no caring duties, you will not be alone with the resident, the role is simply to offer company.

For more information or support with application contact:

Julie Lawson

01608 692186

youngfriends@cotswoldfriends.org

Application Form

Befriend residents in local care homes

16 – 18 years old

Visit residents for an hour and offer friendship to residents liking some company. Engage in conversation with residents, they may ask about what you do or they may like to tell you some stories about them. Good listening skills required.
Some residents may like to play board games, read or share some photos.
You will get a chance to look around, meet staff and some of the residents. You may get matched with a particular resident.

Support Community Groups

14-18 (under 16s to be accompanied by adult)

Based in Bourton-on-the-Water and Moreton-Marsh. Help for an hour or more with refreshments, talking to clients and take part in activities.

Community Fundraising

14 – 18-year-olds

Put forward fundraising ideas and a plan to implement. Organise fundraising events such as non-uniform days, sponsored walk / run, cake sales or chocolate tombola to raise valuable funds

Marketing

14 – 18 years old

Distribute leaflets, posters and newsletters within the North Cotswolds. You will deliver in your local area. Ages 16 and 17 to work in a pair

Arts and Crafts

14 – 18-year-olds

Help making individual Easter, Christmas and Birthday Cards for clients and volunteers.

Trade Work Experience

Volunteer It Yourself: Learn trade skills & help the community : Volunteer It Yourself

Contact to sign up

Contact - Volunteer It Yourself : Volunteer It Yourself

info@teamviy.com

Suitable for 14 – 24 year olds, including those with SEN or a disability.

Take part in work experience in construction and trade careers. Gain hands on experience and mentoring from professionals. You will have the chance to gain your Entry Level 3 City & Guilds Qualification or Painting and Decorating e-certificate as well as accreditations in carpentry, retrofitting, health and safety, tiling and brickwork.

- Work on site
- Employability workshops
- Support getting your CSCS card
- Learn practical skills
- Increase confidence
- Teamwork skills
- Flexibility in scheduling

See what's coming up

Project Pipeline - Volunteer It Yourself : Volunteer It Yourself





Apprenticeships

What is an apprenticeship - watch here

- You will complete part time studying for a qualification linked to

Key Facts

- Minimum wage for an apprenticeship up to 17 is £8.

- Apprenticeships have entry criteria; you may need certain grades in Maths and English before being able to start

Searching and Applying

How to search and apply for apprenticeships - watch here

How to create an account with the Gov.Uk website:

How to register on FAA

How to use the Gov.Uk find and apprenticeship

ASK Webinar: Using Find An Apprenticeship To Search And Apply - Amazing Apprenticeships

1. Apply via the official government website, you can create a login and profile and start searching:

Find an apprenticeship - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)
Apprenticeships

2. Search for apprenticeship vacancies via job-sites:

Job Search | Indeed

Monster Jobs: Jobsite & Local job search | Find a Job today

Gloucestershire Jobs (glosjobs.co.uk)

3. Apply direct to training providers that offer-apprenticeships:

Further Education, Higher Education, Apprenticeships | Gloucestershire College (gloscol.ac.uk)

Cirencester College – Sixth Form College

South Gloucestershire and Stroud College | Welcome (sgscol.ac.uk)

4. Visit-other-apprenticeship-based sites:

The South West Apprenticeship Company (SWAC) - The South West Apprenticeship Company (SWAC) (theswac.org.uk)

GetMyFirstJob | Apprenticeships, Degree Apprenticeships, Work Experience & Graduate Jobs

Search apprenticeships | UCAS

Find Apprenticeships | RateMyApprenticeship

5. Speak to an employer directly about them taking you on as an apprentice. Then speak to a training provider about making this an official apprenticeship!

Employer Support Team (apprenticeships.gov.uk)

Accxel Construction School

- Construction school with industry led curriculum and qualifications.
- Small Class sizes to suit the learner
- Staff and tutors from the industry
- Advanced technology, facilities and equipment.
- Mock live construction site with tools, equipment and technology for hands on experience
- They will provide pick up from Lydney Train Station to the site

Whimsey Industrial Estate, Steam Mills Rd, Cinderford, GL14 3JA

No qualifications needed, can do functional skills there

Apply Here

September Start

Contact

Natalie.morgan@accxel.co.uk

01594 801 009

Info@accxel.co.uk

You will need to find an employer within 6 weeks of starting

End point assessment:

50 question theory

60 minute Professional Discussion

6 hour practical test

They offer Level 2 apprenticeships in:

Groundworks

18 month programme

- Health and Safety Course
- Block paving
- Ground preparation
- 1 day release for college a week
- Internal drainage, laying people.
- Work with hand tools
- Concreting
- Slabbing
- Earn your Blue CSCS Card

Plant Operations

- Use 18 and 360 excavators
- Levelling out areas
- Using forklifts
- Loading shovels
- Gain Postcard for Plant Operations (POS)
- Use dumper trucks
- Carrying out safety checks
- Slabbing
- Use technology and machine software
- 1 week release a month for college

Job Searching

Below is some helpful information including recommended websites for job searching both locally and nationally.

Unsure what you want to do?

find out what jobs match your interests

Careers Quiz

Gloucester College

Further Education, Higher Education, Apprenticeships | Gloucestershire College (gloscol.ac.uk)

Gov.uk/find a job

Find a job - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Jobs go Public

Find a job that makes a difference | UK public sector and not for profit jobs | JobsGoPublic.com

Youth Support Team

We can offer support and guidance to find an opportunity. If you would like our support use the contact details below:

Email: YSTOpportunitySupport@gloucestershire.gov.uk

Tel: 01452 415707

Job Centre Plus

Support, training and advice on finding your next opportunity - JobHelp

Job Centre Plus offer more support to help young people back into work. They can help with CV tips, work experience, volunteering, interview tips, as well as improving confidence and motivation. If you are 18 you can apply for Universal Credit.

Proud to Care

Proud to Care | Proud to Care Gloucestershire (proudtocareglos.org.uk)

Tel: 01452 426452 | Email: ptc@gloucestersire.gov.uk

Proud to Care are a local organisation, they collaborate with care providers in Gloucestershire to promote the sector and advertise local jobs.

Job Clubs

Cheltenham

Cheltenham Borough Homes Job Clubs

Email: tes@cheltenham.gov.uk

- Job clubs, maths, IT skills, budgeting, stress management and money management advice and healthy living support
- 2 locations, Oakley Community and Hester's Way. Timings vary depending on location
- Customer Service Level 2
- Food Safety Level 1 & 2
- Health and Safety within Construction Level 1 (CSCS Card)
- Drop in sessions between 10:30 – 12 on 16th and 29th July

Oakley Community

Tuesday 10am – 12

Oakly Community Resource Centre, Clyde Cresent, GL52 5QJ

Hester's Way

Wednesday 10am – 12

Cassin Drive, GL51 7SU

Cirencester

Churn Community Hub

Email: Amanda.griffiths@thechurn.org.uk.

- Churn Project offers 1 to 1 Support (appointment only) to help young people find work. To book an appointment email the address above.
- Health and wellbeing, cooking and DIY, employment support, creative sessions, 1:1 support and mentoring

Tel: 01285 380038
Email:
info@thechurn.org.uk

14-16 The Waterloo, Cirencester, Gloucestershire GL7 2PY

Dursley

GL11 Club

- Wednesday 10 -2 drop ins, no need to book
- Use their laptops to job search, create a CV and make applications
- Support with interview prep, job searching, writing your CV and more
- For further support you can book a 1:1 appointment with Georgie, an amazing job coach, **ring 01453 548 53**

GL11 Community Hub
Fairmead

Cam,
Gloucestershire

GL11 5JS.

Whaddon Job Club

Whaddon Youth Centre

Dart Rd, Cheltenham GL52 5QW

Email your YST Worker or YSTOpportunitySupport@gloucestershire.gov.uk

Call

01452 425 776

Employment Support Drop-Ins

2nd Friday of the month:

- Oct 9th
- Nov 13th
- Dec 11th

The Cavern, Gloucester, GL1 2NF

Job club starting 4th September at Whaddon Youth Centre by the Youth Support Team. Take part in short courses like teamwork to add to your CV!

Support with CV writing and job search and applications.

Qualifications available

L1 health & Safety in Construction

L1 &L2 in Food Hygiene

L2 Customer Services

Asdan Certificate in Employability Skills

Gloucestershire Employment and Skills Hub

Welcome to the Gloucestershire employment and skills hub | Gloucestershire County Council

The hub includes specialist employment advisers who will work with you until you are 24 or find employment. They can offer tailored guidance, whether that is training, advise, support, an apprenticeship and more.

They can help identify skills, job goals, improve confidence, manage anxiety and overcome barriers. Support all ages between 16 – 14, people with disabilities and in care.

Referral Form - Employment & Skills Hub Referral form | Gloucestershire County Council

Art Space

Contact

Tel

01594 825111

email

info@artspacecinderford.org

Where:

Artspace Cinderford

The New Mercury

3 Woodside Street

Cinderford

GL14 2NL

- Arts and Education charity based in Cinderford
- Inclusive and creative opportunities for all
- Offer wide range courses and workshops
- painting and drawing, animation, textiles, ceramics, drama, singing and circus skills.

Young Creatives:

Course 2 – Thursday 5th November

5:30-7:30pm

- Experiences tutors
- Fully equipped creative studios
- Help develop skills
- Help work towards Duke of Edinburgh or Arts Award

To book:

dan@artspacecinderford.org / 01594 825111

Art Shape

Where

Court Road

Brockworth

Gloucester

GL3 4QU

General Enquiries

info@artshape.co.uk

or

lucy@artshape.co.uk

Education Classes

education@artshape.co.uk (Nina),

or

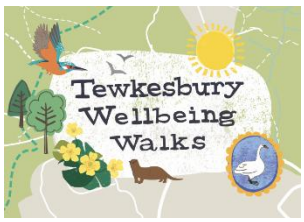
gemma@artshape.co.uk

Creative classes and educational programmes including painting, crafts, dance, performance projects and creative art courses.

Employability courses - Employability Courses – Art Shape

- Free for those who are unemployed and are below a level 2 in education

Tewkesbury Wellbeing Walks - Map



- Four routes connected to Ashchurch-for-Tewkesbury train station and starting at local bus stops

Creative Walks - Creative Walks Resource Sheet

- Creative, mindful exercises to compliment the routes on the Tewkesbury Wellbeing Walks map. These activities help to connect with nature and supporting mental wellbeing through art.

Recruitment Agencies

Manpower/Walls
(Recruitment Agency for Walls Factory)

Email:

unileversouthwest@manpower.co.uk

Tel: 07483 919 636

Age Requirement (18+)

Application: Apply through the Manpower website or through Unilever: Gloucester Jobs at Unilever

Example Roles: Machine Operator/Production Operative
Pay: £13.66-£15.48 per hour. Overtime: Up to £30 per hour

RE Recruitment – Recruitment Agency for Various Industries

Tel:

01242 505400
01242 505406

Email:

hello@rerecruitment.com

Catering, Administrative, Technical, Engineering, Industrial, Hospitality, Agricultural, Transport

Degree Level Apprenticeship: requires 5 GCSEs 9 to 4 including Maths and English.

nicb@trainandrerecruitment.com (for catering roles)

Further Resources

Get Careers Information and Advice

useful in helping you decide what you would like to do and how to get there. There are lots of job profiles to explore as well as tools to help you consider what might suit you best.

The National Careers Service provides high quality, free and impartial careers advice, information, and guidance.

The service is available to anyone aged 13+ no matter what stage of the careers journey you're at.

Webchat | Contact Us | National Careers Service

Tel: 0800 100900

World Skills UK

This website contains lots of useful advice and guidance on different career paths.

There are two useful toolkits on this website under 'Career Resources', which allow young people to watch demonstration videos of real-life workers showing the skills they have developed in each workplace and gain further advice on personal development and employability skills.

Worldskillsuk

What's Next? Guide to choosing education and career options

This booklet will walk you through the different options after leaving school such as college, apprenticeships, training, part- or full-time work

If you have any questions about anything in this document, please get in touch

Email:
YSTOpportunitySupport@gloucestershire.gov.uk

Tel: 01452 415707