

Could **you** make a **difference** to the life of a **child** in care?

**Do you
have a few
hours a month
to spare?**

**I have really enjoyed
having a mentor over
the years he is part
of my life. He has
supported me and has
encouraged me**



Are you looking for an exciting volunteer opportunity?

Do you feel you have the skills and attitude to make a big difference to a child in care?

We are looking for mentors for young people who are living in care. Children living in care are those who are unable to live with their families, for many reasons. This mentoring opportunity gives children a chance to build a lasting and positive relationship with someone who is not their Social Worker or Carer and develop essential life skills.

What would I need to do?

We are looking for committed people who want to befriend and support a child. Mentors will take an active interest in their life and take them out once a month to enjoy fun activities - the role is also known as an Independent Visitor. Activities can be anything from bowling, kicking a football in a park, going to the cinema or simply out for dinner and a chat.

Children in care are often moved quickly and we are looking for volunteers willing to adapt and be flexible according to their needs – an element of travelling will be required.

How will asphaleia support me?

We match all our children and mentors after meeting both individually and informally assessing likes, interests, personalities and beliefs. We want this to be a success for both of you, so it's important that you know we take matching very seriously.

You will receive a volunteer agreement outlining expectations, training and support to equip you with the skills to work with a vulnerable child. We will be in regular contact with you to ensure everything is progressing positively.

We reimburse travel and expenses for activities.

Want to know more?

Call us on **01903 522966**

and ask about our Independent Visitors Service

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