

Home Library Service for Housebound Readers

Are you a passionate reader? Are you someone who understands the pleasure that reading can bring? Would you like to meet new friends who are already part of our enthusiastic teams in East Devon?

Over 1000 Royal Voluntary Service (formerly WRVS) volunteers across Devon & Cornwall provide practical support to older and disabled people, many of whom are isolated by ill health, disability or simply the lack of appropriate transport.

Our volunteers deliver library books and CD's to people who are unable to get to the local library. This vital service keeps the passion of reading alive and makes a huge difference to our clients' lives. The following is a quote from the son of one of our clients:

"My mother had a number of interests, including gardening, church architecture and playing bridge but reading was something she continued to do when it became too difficult for her to leave home. This was greatly helped by a volunteer delivering and collecting books on behalf of the Home Library Service, going to great lengths to keep my mother in good reading and this was an important contribution to the quality of my mother's life."

In Seaton, Budleigh Salterton, Colyton and the surrounding area we need more volunteers to help us make life more interesting for others. You will need to be willing to drive in the local area for which we reimburse you at the rate of 45p per mile, and we will provide you with all training and local support. We also particularly need people to act as volunteer coordinators at Seaton, Budleigh Salterton and Colyton Libraries. For this role you need just the same interests and friendly, outgoing personality, plus being a good organiser with some basic computer skills.

If you know someone who would like to receive our Home Library Service, please get in touch.

Anyone who would like an informal chat about these or other volunteering opportunities can contact me Carole Poulton – Service Manager for Devon Home Library Service on carole.poulton@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk or call 07786 635163.

For more information about our range of services visit www.royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk.

Kind regards,

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