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We are excited to announce that we are now looking to recruit volunteer Bereavement Supporters to join our dedicated Specialist Team.

space2grieve is committed to diversity, equity and inclusion, enabling everyone to make a difference through volunteering and voluntary sector organisations.

These are the qualities and skills we are looking for:

Personal Specification - Bereavement Support Specialist space2grieve

Essential

- Experience of working in a person-centred environment.
- Experience of using active listening skills.
- Awareness of own personal issues around death.
- Ability to manage sensitively and with compassion the needs of the client.

• Ability to maintain a professional approach at all times with both volunteers and clients.

• Confident of own judgement and initiative but able to seek guidance as appropriate from supervision and the service management team.

• Ability to be self-reflective, autonomous and to practice self-care.

• To be responsible for maintaining and developing one's own professional development.

• Awareness and commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion and the implications for supporting bereaved clients.

- Ability to maintain client and volunteer confidentiality.
- Be competent with basic IT systems.

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• Commitment to the space2grieve Service Model and values – as explained on the website.

• To be available for a minimum of 2 hours at the same time each week with monthly addition of 2 hours for supervision.

• Commit to attending the full training programme and induction and additional CPD provided.

Desirable

Additional qualifications in counselling/health/social care professional training

- Resident of Richmond Borough
- Experience of working with bereavement

• Holder of a current and transferrable Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS)certificate

If you want to make a difference to the lives of people in their grief, then we welcome your application.

Please register your interest to recruitment@space2grieve.org.uk. You will then be required to complete and return an application form by Friday 19 May 2023 References will be required.

Interviews will be held on the morning of 24th and 31st May (or by arrangement) at Etna community Centre

NB: As we are a small new charity, we are unable to consider students wishing to volunteer as part of a counselling course.

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Training 2023

Space2Grieve - Developing Bereavement Support Skills.

Dates for the training are as follows and are all based at the ETNA Centre in Twickenham

Introduction/Welcome - Wednesday 7th June 7.00pm – 9.30pm Session 1 Saturday 17th June 10am – 4pm Session 2 Saturday 1st July 10am – 4pm Session 3 Saturday 15th July 10am – 4pm Session 4 Saturday 29th July 10am – 4pm

Induction - At a date to be arranged to cover all practical aspects of supporting clients.

It is a requirement of the Course that you are able to attend all sessions, including the induction and completing a safeguarding module.

A full training programme will be provided at the Welcome Evening, and will include a mix of both theory and practice, allowing plenty of opportunity for skills development particularly in active listening. There will be some pre and post session tasks for completion and submission, with feedback provided, to support you in your learning. Becoming a volunteer Specialist Bereavement Supporter for space2grieve is dependent upon the successful completion of all the course assignments in accordance with the Trainers assessment criteria.

The cost of the full training is £300 which is non-refundable once the course has commenced. We do recognise that there are circumstances where the cost of training may be prohibitive. Please do inform us of the details so that we can initiate waiving or reducing the training fee in accordance with our Bursary Scheme.

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