



VOLUNTEER MENTOR'S APPLICATION FORM

Please complete this form as fully as possible. Please be aware that a DBS Check is required and you must be willing to discuss any criminal convictions. All convictions need to be spent, with a minimum of 5 years since last offence. Any volunteer that has a history of drug or alcohol misuse is required to be 5 years in recovery.

PERSONAL DETAILS

Name: _____ Male/female

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____ Email: _____

Tel. (Landline): _____ Tel. (mobile): _____

Do you consider yourself to have a disability? Yes/No/Prefer Not to Say

Details: _____

"A person has a disability if they have a physical or mental impairment which has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on his or her ability to carry out normal day to day activities."

Wherever possible and reasonable we will make amendments and offer alternatives to help a disabled person through the application and selection process. If you require assistance at any stage of the process please contact Steve Coggins or Louise Calcutt on 01275 888360 or provide details below:

Have you ever needed to have contact with Children's Social Care? Yes/No

If yes, why? _____

Do you have a full driving licence? Yes/No

Will you be able to obtain Business Class Insurance for your car? Yes/No

Are you legally allowed to seek work in the UK? Yes/No

Are you currently a student? Yes/No

Are you currently in employment? Yes/No

If 'yes' are you: Full-time/Part-time

Employer: _____

Position: _____

If not employed, main source of income: _____

North Somerset Youth Offending and Prevention Service works with vulnerable young people. It is our policy that as part of the mentor training, a CRB check is completed for all prospective mentors. Having a criminal conviction does not automatically disqualify you from becoming a mentor, unless

- Your conviction is less than 5 years old
- Your conviction is not considered to be 'spent' under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act (1974). (see attached Frequently Asked Questions)
- You have been convicted on more than one occasion
- The offence is violent (in some cases), a sexual offence, or the victim was under 18.

It is also Junction 21 policy that to be a mentor you must have been in 'recovery' for at least three years if you have a history of substance misuse.

Please answer the following questions honestly. Your answers will be considered confidential, although you may be asked questions about them by staff in a private setting at the assessment centre.

- **Have you been in 'recovery' from alcohol or substance misuse for a minimum of three years?** Yes No Not Applicable
- **If yes for how long have you been in recovery?** _____
- **Have you been convicted of a criminal offence within the last five years?** Yes No
- **Do you have any 'unspent' convictions?** Yes No
- **If you do have previous convictions please can you specify how many previous convictions you have?**
1 2 3 4 5 More than 5 More than 10
- **Please specify the nature of the offences that you have been convicted of below:**

Arson	Yes	No
Theft and related offences	Yes	No
Violence against the person	Yes	No
If you have previous violent offence please indicate if those offences were committed against someone under the age of 18	Yes	No
Sexual Offences	Yes	No
Motor Vehicle Document Offences	Yes	No
Other Motor Vehicle Offences	Yes	No
Possession of Drugs	Yes	No
Other Drugs Offences	Yes	No
Public Order Offences	Yes	No
Other offence (please specify) _____		

- **Have you ever served a period of imprisonment?** Yes No
- **Have you ever served a sentence over 2.5 years?** Yes No

Please give a summary of any voluntary work you have undertaken previously.
(Leave blank if this is the first voluntary role you have applied for)

Please give a summary of your past experience of and contact with young people.

What skills/experience/interests do you feel you would be able to share with a young person (sports, crafts, cultural, etc)

What do you think some of the issues you might encounter mentoring a young person who is at risk or vulnerable?

Why do you want to be a mentor and what do you hope to gain personally from the role?

Are you able to give a minimum of 12 months commitment?
Are you able to commit 2 hours per week to the project?

Yes / No
Yes / No

Please give full details for **two references**. One must have known you for at least 2 years, and one needs to be someone who knows you in a professional capacity (E.G. employer, manager, College lecturer, GP, Policeman)

Tel: _____

Tel: _____

Please sign and date your application form

Signed: _____

Date: _____

All information contained in this form will be treated in strict confidence.

Return form to: Steve Coggins or Louise Calcutt
North Somerset Youth Offending Service,
Central Chambers
24-26 Wallsicote Rd,
Weston-super-Mare,
BS23 1UP

Tel - 01275-888360

THANK - YOU

Monitoring for Equality



To help us to ensure that we are recruiting fairly we would be grateful if you would share the following personal information with us.

Junction 21 is working to eliminate discrimination and promote equality in our practice. In order to realise this commitment we must have accurate information about the people who apply to be a volunteer mentor. The information we collect will remain confidential and will only be used to review our recruitment and appointment practices.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Please circle which applies to you:

Gender: Male Female Prefer not to say

Age: 16-20 21-30 31-40 41-50 Over 50 Prefer not to say

Ethnic Origin: What is your ethnicity?

White:	Black or Black British:	Asian or Asian British:
British	Caribbean	Indian
Irish	African	Pakistani
Other White	Other Black	Bangladeshi
		Other Asian

Mixed:

White and Black Caribbean
White and Black African
White and Asian
Other mixed

Chinese or Other Ethnic Group:
Chinese
Other Ethnic Group (please specify)

Prefer not to disclose ethnicity

Disability:

Do you consider yourself to be disabled? YES NO
Prefer not to say

If you are disabled do you consider your disability to be?

Physical Mental Sensory Learning Prefer not to Say

Where did you hear about Junction 21 mentoring?
