

## Volunteer Role Description

**Role:**

Workshop Assistant

**Department:**

Electrical

**Site:**

RE:SOURCE

Warehouse, Lucknow  
Road, Bodmin**About us**

RE:SOURCE is a social enterprise which aims to help address the cause and effect of social exclusion in Cornwall. We do this through working towards the following four aims:

1. Supporting individuals,
2. Promoting community cohesion
3. Alleviating poverty; and
4. Encouraging environmental responsibility

We are a subsidiary of the UK's leading drug and alcohol charity Addaction and work with Addaction Service users, alongside the wider community.

**What we do**

RE:SOURCE collects, cleans, repairs, refurbishes and sells unwanted furniture. The items that we collect, which would have otherwise ended up in landfill, help us to make money to support our organisation's aims but also enables us to provide a real working environment for people in the local community to enjoy volunteering or gain work experience in a range of different roles.

In our store you can find unique one-off pieces of furniture, the latest styles and trends, traditional wood pieces that have been built to last as well as bargain appliances, electrical goods and bikes! We offer an amazing variety of products at prices to suit every budget.

**Purpose of the Electrical Workshop Assistant role**

To assist our Domestic Appliance Engineer in the cleaning, inspecting and testing of domestic appliances ready for resale to the community. The items which we process include: washing machines, tumble dryers, dishwashers, cookers and refrigeration.

## **Main tasks**

All Electrical Workshop Assistants follow a progression route through the workshop starting off with cleaning and dismantling machines and progressing on to visual inspections, function testing, diagnostics, repairing and replacing components all under the supervision of our experienced Electrical Engineer.

## **What's in it for you?**

Volunteering at RE:SOURCE will give you the opportunity to really make a difference to the local environment as part of a dedicated and diverse team. As an Electrical Workshop Assistant you will gain a real understanding of what it takes to 'bring back to life' a domestic appliance. There is also the opportunity to develop your appliance repair and electrical testing skills and potentially gain qualifications.

In addition we offer:

- A safe, friendly and welcoming environment
- Assistance with travel expenses
- Discount on products from our Bodmin shop
- Access to employability support
- Provision of references in respect of your time volunteering

## **Why we want you**

All RE:SOURCE volunteers make a valuable contribution to helping us achieve our goal to see an end to social exclusion in Cornwall. In the electrical workshop our team of volunteers help us process a range of redundant domestic appliances so that more local families can benefit from the goods we sell at RE:SOURCE and to ensure that we can generate income to support working towards our aims.

## **Requirements**

A keen interest in electrical appliances, electrical systems or engineering is beneficial but by no means essential. You will need to be able to work as part of a team, follow instructions and work safely. RE:SOURCE will provide support and training to help you progress through the various aspects of domestic appliance processing. This role will involve regular manual handling of large domestic appliances.

## **Volunteers needed**

Monday to Friday

## **Contact**

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