



## Volunteer Mentor opportunities

**Nurse. Construction Worker. Accountant. Mum. Business owner. Farmer. Dentist. Student** - just some of the lives people led before they were forced to flee their home countries and become refugees. Lives defined by work, education or family.

**If you live in Manchester, Salford or nearby and have lots of UK work experience - in any sector - you can apply to be a volunteer mentor to make a difference to refugees' employment prospects.**

In Greater Manchester unemployment is 4.9%\* compared to around 44%\* for refugees.

Mentors provide one-to-one support for up to six months. You will support refugees to increase their skills, knowledge or experience in a wide range of areas, such as; digital, English, work experience, job search, applications and interviews; as well as to access other services. Working alongside the Project Manager, you will provide support by building a professional, trusting relationship and enabling people to take steps towards short and long term goals.

### What you will gain

- Skills and experience supporting refugees in the UK.
- Be part of a small and dynamic team making a difference to reduce unemployment.
- Insight into refugee experiences in the UK.

### Support you will get

- Induction and training.
- Regular one-to-one and optional group peer support.

### Commitment from you

We are recruiting for two different roles;

1. Volunteer Mentor - at least five hours, including two meetings, a month, for three to six months.
2. Volunteer Job Application & Interview Mentor - from three hours to three months.

For both roles;

- Information session - Monday 18th June, 5.30-7.30pm *or* Saturday 23rd June, 10-12pm.
- Induction - Saturday 7th July, 10-1.30pm *or* Thursday 12th July, 5.30 - 8pm.
- Mentor training - Saturday 14th July, 10-1.30pm *or* Thursday 19th July, 5.30 - 8pm. If you are interested but may face difficulties attending these dates please do contact us.

**To apply** or for more information email [info@refmentors.org.uk](mailto:info@refmentors.org.uk) or call Amanda 0774 708 0523.

**Application Deadline: 18th June 2018.** All applicants will be required to supply two references and will be checked by the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS). Please contact us with any questions.

**About us** - Refugees & Mentors is a social enterprise committed to helping refugees improve their employment prospects, and get jobs. [www.facebook.com/RefMentors](https://www.facebook.com/RefMentors)

\*Office for National Statistics, Jan -Dec 2017 \*\* Manchester Refugee Employment Partnership, 2013