**Early Years Support**

**Bristol Refugee Rights**

The Bristol Refugee Rights (BRR) crèche provides a warm, welcoming and safe space for the pre-school age children of asylum seekers and refugees. This allows parents to access all our other services. It also helps children get ready for nursery and school, which can otherwise be quite a shock for children who are new to the UK and may have had a very unsettled time both before and after arriving in the UK.

Crèche volunteers support the paid staff of the crèche to ensure that the space is safe and enjoyable for all the children. Role will include helping with activities like art, games and singing, preparing healthy snacks, setting up and packing away the space. Crèche volunteers are supervised at all times by crèche staff.

**Volunteers need to be:**

* Available at least one day between 9.15 am and 1.15pm Tuesday to Friday
* Able to make 6 months commitment to the role
* Committed to attending training and occasional meetings

**We are looking for someone who:**

* Has previous experience working with early years
* Welcomes the opportunity to work as part of a diverse volunteer team at BRR
* Is helpful, patient and have a positive approach to resolving problems
* Shares a commitment to BRR’s ethos and values and recognises the importance of working within our policies and procedures

**Volunteers will get from this role:**

* To play a key part in a vibrant and supportive community
* Knowledge of other services that exist to support ASR’s in Bristol
* A rewarding experience of working with people from all across the world

**What we provide:**

* An induction and ongoing relevant training for your role
* Specific training related to early years within the asylum seeker and refugee context
* Regular volunteer meetings and support
* References after a suitable period of volunteering experience
* Expense payments for costs incurred whilst volunteering

**Working in a childcare setting – Convictions and Disclosure**

All volunteers in the Early Years Project will be asked to complete an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check (with Child Barred list check).

BRR will request information about any unspent convictions. The disclosure of convictions will not automatically lead to the withdrawal of an offer of volunteering as the relevance and timing of convictions will be considered. The information would be seen by the Volunteer Manager, Early Years Project Manager and Trustees only.