



CAN YOU HELP?

**Join us to continue improving local lives in your community
and throughout Kent and Medway!**

Charity Mentors Kent and Medway are looking for trustees, people with a passionate interest in the development and success of the Voluntary & Community Sector in our region.

Our trustees help to shape the work of our charity and also ensure we engage with and help as many as possible not-for-profit social organisations and charities in all parts of Kent and Medway.

What we do?

Charity Mentors Kent and Medway offers free mentoring by experienced leaders to people running charities and social organisations, helping them tackle and resolve strategic management challenges. In other words, it enables organisations that do important social work in the community to be more resilient, productive and effective. Here are some examples of the feedback our mentees have given us:

“My experience with Charity Mentors was transformational. It helped me separate the struggles we’d faced in scaling up and implementing innovative projects with the value and impact our work was having on the ground.”

“This service is great for when you need someone outside of your world to give you clarity and support, to make better decisions, while challenging your own thinking.”

Since its inception in 2020, Charity Mentors Kent and Medway has been able to provide help to charitable organisations across the region. It was recently awarded significant funding by Kent County Council to enable us to raise our profile and expand our operations over the next two years.

Who are we looking for?

You have a commitment to helping local communities by improving the help they get from social organisations. You understand the need to be inclusive and anti-racist in your thinking. You may have professional and/or lived knowledge or experience in the following areas:

- Work with or in a local charity or social organisation
- Coaching or mentoring in a business or charity context
- Financial management
- Knowledge of charity/social organisations in areas where we would like to be more active: Dartford, Gravesham, Maidstone, Thanet, and the Medway towns.

What is the commitment?

Trustees meet online for about an hour in the early evening four times a year, as well as an annual strategy planning meeting. In addition, trustees may choose to join in occasional meetings of mentors to discuss current mentoring projects and any challenges that may have arisen.

What is in it for you?

Although the role is unpaid, you will be helping a small charity to make a big difference to the lives of people who depend on the charitable sector throughout Kent and Medway. You will develop valuable knowledge, skills and experience of charity work and what is happening in the sector in Kent. You will work alongside a committed and varied team of trustees, all seeking to maximising the impact of our mentoring work. And you will have the satisfaction of giving something back to the community.

How to find out more?

To get a fuller picture of what we do and how, please do visit our website at <https://charitymentorskent.org> or email us at contact@charitymentorskent.org

How to apply?

We'd love to hear from people of all backgrounds. It's important to us that our board has the diversity of thought to underpin good governance. You should ideally live within Kent / the Medway towns.

Just send us a copy of your CV, along with a short covering letter explaining why you're applying and what you could bring to Charity Mentors Kent and Medway. Send your application to the Chair of Trustees, Nick Marden at nick.marden@charitymentorskent.org

The closing date for applications is 27 November 2023.