

# Edinburgh Guarantee Opportunities Bulletin



Wednesday 5 February 2025

The Edinburgh Guarantee helps people of all ages and backgrounds to easily access and progress in fair work, training or further education. Each week we will be highlighting the vacancies currently available on our Opportunities and Jobs Boards:

- Visit the [Opportunities Board](#) to see the latest vacancies for young people. The bulletin also includes information on programmes, courses and training available to young people who are not in education, employment or training. If you are interested in any of these, please use the contact details provided for each opportunity.
- Visit the [Jobs Board for all ages](#) to see the latest vacancies for all job seekers.

You can also visit the [Edinburgh Guarantee website](#) to see a range of support available to people of all ages who need assistance around employment.

The bulletin is separated into the following categories:

- ✓ List of Current Vacancies (**new opportunities shown in bold**)
- ✓ Jobs for All Ages
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- ✓ Professional Qualifications
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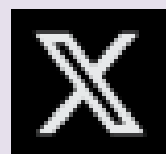
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# List of Current Vacancies

## Jobs for All Ages:

- ✓ **Office Assistant – Patria - GPMS**
- ✓ Personal Assistant - Enable
- ✓ Qualified Electrician – Invincible Security Ltd
- ✓ Project Worker – Upmo (Upward Mobility Ltd)

## Jobs for Young People:

- ✓ Retail, Hospitality and Facilities - Various employers in the St James Quarter and City Centre - FUSE
- ✓ Retail, Hospitality, Beauty, Care and more - Various employers and locations - Fort Kinnaird Recruitment and Skills Centre

## Modern Apprenticeships:

- ✓ Trainee Site Manager – Modern Apprenticeship – 2 posts – GRAHAM Construction
- ✓ Warehouse Operative – Modern Apprenticeship – Microcom Training/Steel stockholders and suppliers
- ✓ Receptionist and Teams Administrator – Modern Apprenticeship – Microcom Training/Certified Chartered Accountancy company
- ✓ Digital Services – Modern Apprenticeship – Microcom Training/Housing Association, Haddington
- ✓ Early Learning and Childcare - Modern Apprenticeships - Carousel Training Centre
- ✓ Trainee Childcare Practitioner – Modern Apprenticeship – North Edinburgh Childcare
- ✓ Childcare - Modern Apprenticeship - PA Training

## Professional Qualifications:

- ✓ Trainee Auditor - School or College Leaver Programme – Audit Scotland
- ✓ Audit Apprenticeship Programme – KPMG

## Programmes, Courses and Training:

- ✓ Independent Living Skills Workshops - LinkLiving
- ✓ Strides – Apex Scotland
- ✓ Building Brighter Futures Fund Employability Programme – Move On
- ✓ Get Into Lifeguarding with Edinburgh Leisure – The King's Trust
- ✓ Get Into Retail with M&S – The King's Trust
- ✓ PHEW (People's Health & Emotional Wellbeing – Space @ Broomhouse Hub
- ✓ CashBack Hubs – Impact Arts
- ✓ Vocational & Employability Training Offer - Rural & Urban Training Scheme (RUTS)
- ✓ All Services for Ethnic Minorities - LINKnet Mentoring Ltd
- ✓ See Potential – Venture Trust
- ✓ Football Works – Street Soccer Scotland
- ✓ The Journey Programme – Venture Scotland
- ✓ Hub Pre-Apprenticeship Programme - The Grassmarket Community Project

# Jobs for All Ages

## OFFICE ASSISTANT

**Contract:** Permanent  
**Salary:** £32,400 per annum  
**Employer:** Patria Global Private Market Solutions  
**Closing Date:** Friday 14 February

**PATRIA**

Patria Global Private Market Solutions (GPMS) is a Private Equity business with offices in Edinburgh and London. The business has an exciting future following its recent acquisition by Patria Investments, one of the leaders in alternative asset management in Latin America with over 30 years' experience in Private Equity, infrastructure, Real Estate and Credit.

Based in our office at Fountainbridge, you will undertake a variety of administrative tasks as part of the PA and Business Support team. Previous experience is essential. We operate a hybrid working policy with the opportunity to work from home one day a week.

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## PERSONAL ASSISTANT

**Contract:** Permanent/Sessional  
**Salary:** £12 per hour  
**Employer:** Enable  
**Closing Date:** Ongoing recruitment

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Enable is a modern, vibrant charity which strives to deliver an equal society for every citizen. We believe in equal rights for everyone through self-directed social care, employment, training, and empowering communities.

We have various full time and part time opportunities in Edinburgh and the Lothians to support people with additional support needs to live independently in their own homes and to achieve their goals and outcomes. We provide an extensive learning programme together with in-house career development opportunities.

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## QUALIFIED ELECTRICIAN

**Contract:** Permanent  
**Salary:** £12 - £18 per hour  
**Employer:** Invincible Security Ltd  
**Closing Date:** This position will close when a suitable candidate is found

Invincible  
FIRE AND SECURITY

Invincible Security offer our clients and businesses a one stop service to keep them compliant with their insurance and legal obligations, with regards to intruder alarms, CCTV, lifesaving systems, electrical installations and testing. We deliver the industry's top standard of service and pride ourselves in the professional personal service.

You will carry out emergency lighting testing while following all safety protocols and regulations. You will gain hands-on experience in testing and maintaining emergency lighting systems, understanding their components and functionality. Minimum 3 years' experience and driving licence preferred.

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## PROJECT WORKER

**Contract:** Permanent  
**Salary:** £12 per hour  
**Employer:** Upmo (Upward Mobility Ltd)  
**Closing Date:** Ongoing recruitment



Upmo (Upward Mobility Ltd) is a charity and care provider that believes in a more inclusive society for the future. Our activities help work towards this vision. We support adults and young people with learning disabilities and autism with tailored support services and learning opportunities across Edinburgh and the Lothians. We nurture creativity, build confidence and encourage independence through workshops, health and wellbeing and employability initiatives.

You will be based at one or more of our locations, where creative workshops and learning activities take place, and will also spend time out in the community and occasionally support students at home. Upmo's mission is to enable students to learn and develop, combined with building confidence and life skills which will enable them to integrate with their communities and society as a whole.

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# Jobs for Young People

## RETAIL, HOSPITALITY AND FACILITIES

**Contract:** All types of contracts available  
**Salary:** Dependent on employer  
**Employer:** Various employers within the St James Quarter and City Centre  
**Closing Date:** We recruit all year round



FUSE is the recruitment hub for vacancies within the St James Quarter and the city centre. We also provide training and qualifications for those seeking work and progression in their careers within the Retail and Hospitality sectors.

We have a wide variety of vacancies in many sectors including Retail, Hospitality, Tourism, Operations, Facilities etc. Most of the jobs require a high level of customer interaction and you will work shifts rather than standard hours.

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## RETAIL, HOSPITALITY, BEAUTY, CARE AND MORE

**Contract:** Various  
**Salary:** National Minimum Wage or above  
**Employer:** Various employers and locations  
**Closing Date:** We recruit all year round



The Recruitment and Skills Centre (RSC) at Fort Kinnaird supports employers' current recruitment and staff development needs and also supports job seekers to gain and retain employment in the area.

We have vacancies in many sectors throughout the city. Your day will be varied and fast paced with opportunities for personal and career development. Most of the jobs require a high level of customer interaction and you will work shifts rather than standard hours.

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# Modern Apprenticeships

## TRAINEE SITE MANAGER - MODERN APPRENTICESHIP - 2 POSTS

**Contract:** Permanent  
**Salary:** £25,000 - £30,000 per annum  
**Employer:** GRAHAM Construction  
**Closing Date:** Friday 28 February



GRAHAM Construction is a leading Tier One construction company known for delivering high-quality infrastructure and building projects across the UK and Ireland. We pride ourselves on our commitment to excellence, sustainability, and innovation in the construction industry.

We are currently seeking ambitious individuals to join our dynamic Building Division. This role is an excellent opportunity for those with a passion for construction looking to embark on a career in Site Management. You will work towards an HNC in Construction Management.

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## WAREHOUSE OPERATIVE - MODERN APPRENTICESHIP

**Contract:** Fixed Term – 12 months  
**Salary:** £12,500 per annum  
**Employer:** Steel stockholders and suppliers  
**Closing Date:** This position will close when a suitable candidate is found



Steel stockholders and suppliers based at Newbridge.

Based in our warehouse, you will be trained to pick computer generated orders and maintain high levels of health and safety, working across different areas of the business to enhance your knowledge and skills whilst providing excellent customer service. You will work towards SCQF Level 5 in Warehousing, Storage and Distribution.

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## RECEPTIONIST AND TEAMS ADMINISTRATOR - MODERN APPRENTICESHIP

**Contract:** Fixed Term – 12 months  
**Salary:** £12,480 - £15,000 per annum  
**Employer:** Certified Chartered Accountancy company  
**Closing Date:** This position will close when a suitable candidate is found



We are a Certified Chartered Accountancy company based in Edinburgh city centre. We proactively set up and utilise financial technology in both our business and our clients' operations.

Working in a small team, the purpose of the role is to manage the reception area, greet guests and provide general administrative support. This role is ideally suited to a recent school leaver starting out in the world of work. You will work towards SCQF Level 6 in Business and Administration.

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## DIGITAL SERVICES - MODERN APPRENTICESHIP

**Contract:** Fixed Term – 12 months  
**Salary:** £11,648 - £20,821 per annum  
**Employer:** Housing Association  
**Closing Date:** This position will close when a suitable candidate is found



Housing Association based in Haddington.

Based in the Housing Team, you will provide digital and administrative support to the Digital Services Officer to help maintain and develop our digital systems and services, and support tenants to access these services. You will work towards SCQF Level 6 in Digital Applications.

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## EARLY LEARNING AND CHILDCARE - MODERN APPRENTICESHIPS

**Contract:** Permanent  
**Salary:** National Apprenticeship Wage  
**Employer:** Carousel Training Centre  
**Closing Date:** We recruit all year round



Carousel Training Centre is a Scottish Qualifications Authority approved centre which provides quality training to the Early Years sector. We do this by providing nurseries with Modern Apprentices who we then train to a standard of excellence in this very specialised area. We are an equal opportunities employer and training provider.

You will be employed full-time in a private nursery and we have a number of vacancies available across Edinburgh, Midlothian and East Lothian. You will be involved in helping children with their learning, development and growth in a stimulating environment. You will undertake SVQ Social Services (Children & Young People) at SCQF Level 7.

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## TRAINEE CHILDCARE PRACTITIONER - MODERN APPRENTICESHIP

**Contract:** Permanent  
**Salary:** National Minimum Wage  
**Employer:** North Edinburgh Childcare  
**Closing Date:** We recruit on an ongoing basis throughout the year



North Edinburgh Childcare Training Services recruits Modern Apprentices for our own organisation and on behalf of various nurseries and out of school care settings in Edinburgh and Midlothian.

You will be based in either a nursery or an out of school care setting providing provide a safe, caring and stimulating environment for babies and children and undertaking a range of duties including supporting the children to learn and develop through play and assisting with snack and lunches. You will work towards SVQ Level 3 Social Services Children and Young People (SCQF Level 7).

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## CHILDCARE - MODERN APPRENTICESHIPS



**Contract:** Full time  
**Salary:** National Apprenticeship Wage or above  
**Employer:** PA Training  
**Closing Date:** We have ongoing recruitment throughout the year

PA Training is an SQA approved centre specialising in SVQs in the care sector. We recruit on behalf of various private nurseries in Edinburgh, Midlothian and East Lothian.

You will work full time work in a private nursery looking after children aged 0 - 5 years. The role will involve planning stimulating activities suitable for children's development and meeting the physical, emotional and developmental needs of individual children. You will work towards SVQ Level 3/SCQF Level 7 Social Services (Children and Young People).

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# Professional Qualifications

## TRAINEE AUDITOR – SCHOOL OR COLLEGE LEAVER PROGRAMME

**Contract:** Fixed Term - 5.5 years  
**Salary:** £23,363 per annum  
**Employer:** Audit Scotland  
**Closing Date:** Sunday 9 February



Audit Scotland is Scotland's public sector auditor, independent of government. Our vision is that public money is well spent to meet the needs of Scotland's people. To achieve this, we support the Auditor General for Scotland and the Accounts Commission to provide clear, independent and objective assurance on how effectively public money is being managed and spent.

Over the duration of the programme, you will help your team to plan and deliver quality audit work across a range of public sector bodies, including local and central government and the NHS. This is an excellent opportunity to combine work experience with a professional qualification and includes financial support to become a qualified Chartered Accountant with ICAS.

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## AUDIT APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMME

**Contract:** Permanent  
**Salary:** £23,000 per annum  
**Employer:** KPMG  
**Closing Date:** Places will be filled as suitable candidates are found



KPMG in the UK is part of a global network of member firms that offers Audit, Consulting, Deal Advisory, Tax & Law and Technology services. Through the talent of over 15,000 people, we turn insights into opportunities, making a positive difference for our clients and the communities we serve.

Join us on this programme and you'll get to the heart of the organisations we audit, learning all about the components that make a successful business. Some of the world's biggest companies rely on us for our audit expertise, and you'll gain varied experience working on these complex audit engagements. Alongside your audit work, you'll study towards AAT Level 3 and 4 plus Level 7 ACA/CA Professional Qualification.

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# Programmes, Courses and Training

## INDEPENDENT LIVING SKILLS WORKSHOPS - LINKLIVING

Interactive workshops which give young people the opportunity to learn practical tips and techniques to enable them to feel better prepared to move into their own home and live more independently. The workshops cover the following: housing options, feeling less lonely in your community, planning for the future, managing income/bills, cooking skills, and where to ask for help in your local community.



- Qualifications gained:** Gain skills that you need to feel confident living independently. Workshops are not accredited
- Client group:** 16 - 25 years
- What is provided:** Group workshops on Independent Living Skills
- Start date:** Thursday 13 March / Friday 28 March
- Duration:** Weekly for 8 weeks
- Times and days:**
- One group starts on Thursday 13 March running weekly from 3pm - 5 pm
  - One group starts on Friday 28 March, running weekly from 1 pm - 3 pm
- Location:** St Margaret's House, 151 London Road, Edinburgh, EH7 6AE
- For more information:** Email/telephone no: [agnes.wall@linkliving.org.uk](mailto:agnes.wall@linkliving.org.uk) / 07354 164453  
Web: <https://www.linkliving.org.uk/>
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## STRIDES - APEX SCOTLAND

Employability programme exclusively for over 16+'s with convictions. Can support referrals through any stage of pipeline including in-work support.



- Qualifications gained:** CSCS Green Card, SIA Security  
In house: SQA Employability Award, First Aid, PAT Testing, Food Safety in Catering, Fire Warden, Health and Safety in the Workplace, COSHH, Safeguarding, Manual Handling principles  
All courses are at SQA level 4, 5 and 6.
- Client group:** Over 16s  
Must have a conviction/s  
Any conviction eligible regardless of how long has passed/nature  
Can be unemployed or employed.
- What is provided:** Trauma informed 1-1 meetings with allocated practitioner to support individual build on their employability skills. This may be CV building, interview practice and confidence building.
- We also offer bespoke disclosure advice/training based on the individuals own criminal record.
- Allocated budget to support individuals access training such as CSCS construction health and safety green cards, SIA Licences. May also be able to help individuals obtain an ID for training/employment purposes on case-by-case basis.
- Start date:** This is a rolling programme.
- Duration:** Not set, can offer in-work support once individual secures employment/ volunteering.
- Times and days:** Flexible, usually once a week for however long individual needs.  
We are open Monday – Friday 9am - 5pm.
- Location:** City of Edinburgh
- For more information:** Email/telephone no: [strides.edinburgh@apexscotland.org.uk](mailto:strides.edinburgh@apexscotland.org.uk) / 0131 220 0130  
Web: [Get in Touch](#) | [Here to Help](#) | [Apex Scotland](#)
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## BUILDING BRIGHTER FUTURES FUND EMPLOYABILITY PROGRAMME - MOVE ON

Move On are running an employability programme for young people aged 16-21 who are interested in careers in construction, including carpentry and joinery.



<b>Participants can gain:</b>	Support and funding to achieve CSCS Green Labourers Card Completed REHIS qualification Construction site visits with Robertson, Cruden and CCG One week work placement with one of the above partners Bus/train travel covered for as well as lunch SQA employability award level 3 SQA communication core skills Interview skills and CV building with Evolve IT Talk on drugs and alcohol with Crew2000 Volunteering at Move On Wood Recycling Understanding children's rights and the UNCRC Responsibilities of work Support to move on to further education, training or employment.
<b>Client group:</b>	Stage 2 Employability Pipeline, 16 to 21 year olds (Edinburgh City, Lothians and Borders) Able to self-travel to Edinburgh centre and Granton
<b>What is provided:</b>	Travel expenses (bus or train) and lunch
<b>Start date:</b>	Tuesday 11 March
<b>Duration:</b>	8 weeks
<b>Times and days:</b>	Tuesdays and Thursdays, various times
<b>Location:</b>	Move On, 7 Bakehouse Close, Edinburgh EH8 8DD
<b>For more information:</b>	Email <a href="mailto:louise@moveon.org.uk">louise@moveon.org.uk</a>

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## GET INTO LIFEGUARDING WITH EDINBURGH LEISURE - THE KING'S TRUST

We are running an employability programme for young people aged 16 - 30 in partnership with Edinburgh Leisure that gives the opportunity to get a job as a lifeguard. During this 4 week course, young people will take part in a work placement at an Edinburgh Leisure centre and complete a National Pool Lifeguarding Qualification that can be used all over the world! At the end of the course, they will have guaranteed interviews with Edinburgh Leisure. There is a fitness criterion for this course so if interested, please reach out and we can have a chat. Please express interest by 24 January.



<b>Qualifications gained:</b>	National Pool Lifeguarding Qualification. Potential for young people to get a job at Edinburgh Leisure.
<b>Client group:</b>	Young people aged 16 - 30
<b>What is provided:</b>	Travel, lunch and uniform
<b>Start date:</b>	3 February (Swim Test). Course runs 17 February to 14 March
<b>Duration:</b>	4 weeks (weekends are not included)
<b>Times and days:</b>	Full-time
<b>Location:</b>	Edinburgh – various locations
<b>For more information:</b>	Email: <a href="mailto:centralsoutheastscotlandoperations@kingstrust.org.uk">centralsoutheastscotlandoperations@kingstrust.org.uk</a> Web: <a href="http://The King's Trust   Confidence, courses, careers">The King's Trust   Confidence, courses, careers</a>

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## GET INTO RETAIL WITH M&S - THE KING'S TRUST

During this 4 week employability programme, young people aged 16-30 will gain work experience in retail in M&S stores as well as support from M&S staff to help them potentially secure a job in retail. After being successful at the Selection Day, our main programme will offer young people 4 weeks of work experience and training as well as the chance to gain a 12 week paid contract with M&S. There are opportunities to work in M&S stores across Edinburgh (Chesser Avenue, Craigleith, Princes Street, The Gyle, Fort Kinnaird, Morningside, and Straiton). Young people will have 6 months post-programme progression support from King's Trust staff. Please express interest by 7 February.



**Qualifications gained:** Potential for young people to get a job at an M&S store  
**Client group:** Young people aged 16 - 30  
**What is provided:** Travel, lunch and uniform  
**Start date:** Selection Day week commencing 17 February. Course runs 3 - 28 March  
**Duration:** 4 weeks  
**Times and days:** Full-time (weekends are not included)  
**Location:** Chesser Avenue, Craigleith, Princes Street, The Gyle, Fort Kinnaird, Morningside, Straiton

**For more information:** Email: [centralsoutheastscotlandoperations@kingstrust.org.uk](mailto:centralsoutheastscotlandoperations@kingstrust.org.uk)  
Web: [The King's Trust | Confidence, courses, careers](http://The King's Trust | Confidence, courses, careers)

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## PHEW (PEOPLE'S HEALTH & EMOTIONAL WELLBEING) – SPACE @ BROOMHOUSE HUB

This is a mental health service that offers 16 – 26 year olds a safe and friendly space to make connections with others and develop a better understanding of mental health and wellbeing. Our group support gives you a chance to connect with people the same age doing the kind of activities you're looking for and enjoy.



**Qualifications gained:** N/A  
**Client group:** Young people 16 – 26 years old  
**What is provided:** We offer two forms of support:

- A group session on a Thursday evening (the length of session can vary depending on activity). We offer a wide variety of indoor and outdoor activities with regular input from the group.
- Individual 1-1 support sessions are also available.

**Start date:** On all year round  
**Duration:** Ongoing  
**Times and days:** 6pm – 8pm Thursday  
**Location:** Space at the Broomhouse Hub, 79-89 Broomhouse Crescent, EH11 3RH

**For more information:** Email/telephone no: [barry.craig@spacescot.org](mailto:barry.craig@spacescot.org) / 0131 455 7731 or 07566 796270  
Web: <https://www.spacescot.org/>

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## CASHBACK HUBS – IMPACT ARTS

Our Cashback Hubs programme is a fun way for young people to grow their skills and confidence in a non-traditional environment, beyond the classroom or the local Youth Club. Over 12 weeks, using the arts as a tool, we will support young people to feel more confident, overcome some of the hurdles they might be facing and gain qualifications.



Participants will be supported by an artist, a youth worker and an opportunities coordinator. We will provide participants with everything they need to get involved.

<b>Qualifications gained:</b>	Where it suits the young person's needs, we will support them to gain qualifications or a dynamic youth award.
<b>Client group:</b>	Young people aged 16-24 not in work, education or training
<b>What is provided:</b>	We will provide participants with everything they need to get involved.
<b>Start date:</b>	Rolling
<b>Duration:</b>	12 weeks
<b>Times and days:</b>	2pm - 6pm Thursday, 2.30pm - 4.30pm Friday
<b>Location:</b>	5-7 Montgomery Street Lane, Edinburgh, EH7 5JT

**For more information:** Email/telephone no: [hello@impactarts.co.uk](mailto:hello@impactarts.co.uk) / 0141 575 3001  
Web: [www.impactarts.co.uk](http://www.impactarts.co.uk)

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## VOCATIONAL & EMPLOYABILITY TRAINING OFFER - RURAL & URBAN TRAINING SCHEME (RUTS)

RUTS are a provider of vocational and employability support designed to equip young people with the confidence and skills required to achieve their highest potential and reach a positive destination.



<b>Qualifications gained:</b>	Through the Young Person's Guarantee, RUTS can offer sector specific qualifications/support, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Facilitate training towards, and pay for young people to obtain a CSCS card</li><li>• Facilitate and pay for young people to complete National Pool Lifeguarding Qualifications (NPLQ)</li><li>• Facilitate and pay for young people to complete Food Hygiene Certification</li><li>• Provide PPE/workwear for young people entering employment/work placement/volunteering</li><li>• Provide a leisure pass/free access to a sport club.</li></ul> <p>RUTS also have the capacity to deliver a range of SQA/SCQF accredited qualifications at Level 4 or 5 centred on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Motorbike &amp; Bicycle mechanics and riding</li><li>• Boxing / Health and Wellbeing through physical activity.</li></ul>
<b>Client group:</b>	Provision is suitable for a wide range of young people primarily aged between 16-25, although some provisions are suitable for young people from the age of 14.
<b>What is provided:</b>	RUTS will provide all the resources required to complete each programme which includes use of motorbikes, bicycles or boxing equipment. Each participant will be allocated a youth worker to support you through each programme.
<b>Start date:</b>	Ongoing/flexible
<b>Duration:</b>	Flexible – Typically a programme is 6-8 sessions, delivered one session per week for the duration of the programme but alternative arrangements can be discussed.
<b>Times and days:</b>	Ongoing/flexible
<b>Location:</b>	Amendments have been made to allow programmes to be delivered: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• from our workshop in Penicuik (58 Queensway)</li><li>• from accessible community spaces using our mobile equipment</li><li>• online, using digital platforms such as Zoom and MS Teams.</li></ul>
<b>For more information:</b>	Email/telephone: <a href="mailto:info@ruts.org.uk">info@ruts.org.uk</a> / 0131 663 5736 Web: <a href="http://www.ruts.org.uk">www.ruts.org.uk</a>

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## ALL SERVICES FOR ETHNIC MINORITIES - LINKNET MENTORING LTD

### **Mentoring:**

LINKnet provide one-to-one mentoring for education, employment and personal development. There is a drop-in service every day from 10 am - 4 pm that provides short-term support on employability and education (e.g., CV building, job application, interview, etc.). Booking for a session in advance is recommended to avoid disappointment.



### **Volunteering:**

Job seekers who do not have UK work experience will be invited to volunteer with LINKnet or with partner organisations to get work experience. They will be requested to work 2 – 3 days per week.

### **English Classes:**

Group English classes are offered at beginner-to-intermediate and intermediate-to-advanced levels. Classes focus on improving practical language skills for employability, further education, and life in the UK. From December there will be online teaching.

### **Befriending:**

Befriending programme is offered for people who need language, social, and emotional support, for example, English learners and newcomers to UK who would like to further develop English skills, make connections in the community, and/or feel less isolated and lonely.

### **Oral Health:**

Support is also offered regarding oral health, including help to register with an NHS dentist.

<b>Qualifications gained:</b>	Certificates will be provided for some of the courses
<b>Client group:</b>	Ethnic Minorities aged 18+
<b>What is provided:</b>	All LINKnet services are free of charge and offered to minority ethnic people
<b>Start date:</b>	Ongoing
<b>Duration:</b>	3 - 6 months
<b>Times and days:</b>	Flexible
<b>Location:</b>	31 Guthrie Street, Edinburgh, EH1 1JG. In person and/or online

**For more information:** Email/telephone no: [linknet2@linknetmentoring.com](mailto:linknet2@linknetmentoring.com) / 0131 261 4463  
Web: [www.linknetmentoring.com](http://www.linknetmentoring.com)

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## SEE POTENTIAL - VENTURE TRUST

We work with people to gain the life skills, stability and confidence needed to reach their potential. Through person-centred support in communities and experiential learning in the outdoors, we challenge individuals to reflect on beliefs, attitudes and behaviours so they can unlock skills and learn new, more positive, ways of approaching situations.

The logo for Venture Trust, featuring the word "venturetrust" in a white, lowercase, sans-serif font on a dark blue rectangular background.

At any stage in life, people can struggle. That is why we focus on the path to a positive future, without forgetting what led people to us. Many people we work with are surviving outside mainstream support, are unemployed, or they may have never been in employment. Most have faced trauma.

- COMMUNITY – Outreach support and personal development through one to one and group work.
- WILDERNESS – Intensive outdoor learning in the Scottish Highlands.
- WELLBEING – Free, confidential outdoor therapy sessions with qualified therapists for 16-25yr olds.
- EMPLOYABILITY – Coaching, training and accredited qualifications for 16-24yr olds.

**Qualifications gained:** SQA qualifications available on some programmes  
**Client group:** Various - see website for further details  
**What is provided:** Personal community-based worker and multi-day wilderness journey  
**Start date:** Ongoing  
**Duration:** Up to 9 months  
**Times and days:** Available 9 am - 5 pm Monday to Friday  
**Location:** Based in Edinburgh and the Lothians

**For more information:** Email/telephone: [louise@venturetrust.org.uk](mailto:louise@venturetrust.org.uk) / 07785 627048  
Web: [www.venturetrust.org.uk](http://www.venturetrust.org.uk)

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## FOOTBALL WORKS - STREET SOCCER SCOTLAND

Street Soccer provide football-themed training and personal development opportunities for socially disadvantaged groups across Scotland. 10 week football themed employability, mental health and wellbeing course now running and on throughout 2023. Free football drop in sessions for adults across Edinburgh for all abilities and including walking football / female only / ASN specific groups.



**Qualifications gained:** SCQF and other qualifications  
**Client group:** Open to adults over 16  
**What is provided:** Free football sessions, mental health support, group work, 1-1 support, work placements, SCQF and other qualifications  
**Start date:** Ongoing  
**Duration:** Ongoing  
**Times and days:** Monday to Friday at various venues  
**Location:** Leith, Portobello, Sighthill, Muirhouse, Oxfgangs, East Lothian, Livingston

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Web: [www.streetsoccerscotland.org](http://www.streetsoccerscotland.org)

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## THE JOURNEY PROGRAMME – VENTURE SCOTLAND

Venture Scotland offer young people aged 16-30 a long-term personal development programme based in the outdoors. It is completely free and is focused on helping to improve young people's physical, mental and emotional wellbeing.



The programmes are group-based and involve meeting twice a week to participate in fun and challenging sessions that use the outdoor environment to stimulate and sustain personal development and growth. Activities include everything from hill walking to canoeing to coasteering and loads more in between.

The programme is currently being delivered fully in-person, with safety measures in place.

<b>Qualifications gained:</b>	Optional SQA qualifications levels 3 & 4, John Muir Award, Scottish Canoe Association Awards
<b>Client group:</b>	Anyone aged 16-30 who is struggling and would like the support to make positive changes to their wellbeing.
<b>What is provided:</b>	Joining us is absolutely free to young people. This means that during the programme we provide every young person with full outdoor gear, meals, and we can also cover transportation costs if needed.
<b>Start date:</b>	We recruit on a rolling basis, so do not have set start dates. However, we start programmes regularly and will take referrals for our waiting list at any time.
<b>Duration:</b>	Up to 12 months long
<b>Times and days:</b>	Varied but mostly within Monday-Friday and usually 2 days each week. Residential might run over weekends.
<b>Location:</b>	Venture Scotland, Offices 1&2, 4 Norton Park, Edinburgh EH7 5RS
<b>For more information:</b>	Email/telephone no: <a href="mailto:admin@venturescotland.org.uk">admin@venturescotland.org.uk</a> 07535 164285 Web: <a href="https://venturescotland.org.uk">https://venturescotland.org.uk</a>

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## HUB PRE-APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMME - THE GRASSMARKET COMMUNITY PROJECT

Who we are:

We believe in a world where people reach their full potential, feel positive about themselves, valued, and connected to others and the wider community.

We have created an inclusive person-centred environment where people can develop skills, build positive relationships, and enjoy an ongoing sense of belonging.

We are Edinburgh's employer of the year 2021!



What are we looking for?

Young people considering practical training with a keen interest in catering and events.

No experience or qualifications required.

What will be achieved?

A huge sense of achievement – a feeling of working towards your long-term goals and have a strong purpose.

Lasting connection to the Grassmarket Community Project.

Positive industry experience and a reference to support you into part or full-time work, training, college, or community volunteering depending on your individual goals.

Tangible proven skills, qualifications, and increased confidence.

Opportunity to apply for a paid Modern Apprenticeship with an employer or the Grassmarket Community Project in Catering, Events or Food & Beverage.

**Qualifications gained:** At least First Aid, Food Safety and Health & Safety. Depending on your individual pathway, your pre-apprenticeship gives you options to achieve one or more of the following qualifications: Level 2 Food Hygiene – First Aid at Work – Level 2 Award in the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health – Level 2 Manual Handling – Level 3 Award in Volunteering Skills – Level 3 Digital literacy – Level 2 Communication – Level 2 Numeracy – Level 1 Award in Health and Safety – Level 1 Award in Customer Service – Level 2 Award in Food Allergen Awareness and Control in Catering – Level 4 Award in Volunteering Skills – Level 2 Diploma Food and Beverage Service.

**Client group:**

**What is provided:**

16 - 25-year-olds

- Undertaking training in essential life skills: - Working in groups - Self-care and self-management - Communication - Confidence building and self-esteem.
- Travel and lunch are provided every day (city-wide Edinburgh travel is free to use 7 days a week).
- Team activity at the beginning and end of your placement.
- One-to-one support from the Youth Engagement team.

**Start date:**

TBC

**Duration:**

Up to six months

**Times and days:**

16 hours paid per week (£68.80)

**Location:**

Edinburgh

**For more information:**

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## Useful links

- ✓ **Apprenticeships.scot - Skills Development Scotland**  
[www.apprenticeships.scot](http://www.apprenticeships.scot)
- ✓ **Community Renewal: Next Step Programme – free support and advice for job seekers**  
[www.communityrenewal.org.uk/projects/next-step](http://www.communityrenewal.org.uk/projects/next-step)
- ✓ **Edinburgh Fuse**  
[www.edinburghfuse.com/jobs](http://www.edinburghfuse.com/jobs)
- ✓ **Edinburgh Guarantee – Information for Young People**  
[www.edinburghguarantee.org/young-people](http://www.edinburghguarantee.org/young-people)
- ✓ **Fort Kinnaird Recruitment and Skills Centre**  
<http://rscfortkinnaird.co.uk>
- ✓ **Jobs at Straiton Retail Park**  
<https://jobsatstraiton.scot>
- ✓ **Joined Up for Jobs Directory**  
[www.joinedupforjobs.org/directory](http://www.joinedupforjobs.org/directory)
- ✓ **Joined Up for Jobs Noticeboard**  
[www.joinedupforjobs.org.uk/noticeboard](http://www.joinedupforjobs.org.uk/noticeboard)
- ✓ **MacMillan Skills Hub**  
<https://macmillanskillshub.org>
- ✓ **My World of Work**  
[www.myworldofwork.co.uk](http://www.myworldofwork.co.uk)
- ✓ **My World of Work School Leavers Toolkit**  
[www.myworldofwork.co.uk/schoolleaverstoolkit](http://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/schoolleaverstoolkit)
- ✓ **New Futures provides tailored careers advice and support**  
[New Futures](#)
- ✓ **The City of Edinburgh Council – Opportunities for Young People**  
[www.edinburgh.gov.uk/opportunities-young-people](http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/opportunities-young-people)
- ✓ **The King's Trust**  
<https://www.kingstrust.org.uk/how-we-can-help/programmes>
- ✓ **The Young Person's Guarantee Opportunity Finder**  
<https://opportunities.youngpersonsguarantee.scot>