

Volunteer Role Description

Role Title:

Cat Desensitisation volunteer

How you can make a difference:

As a Cat Desensitisation volunteer, you will be directly helping nervous, shy or aggressive cats in our care, helping them to get used to people and/or experiences at their own pace.

What the role involves:

Your time will be spent desensitising cats that need extra time spent with them, such as nervous, shy or aggressive cats. You will work with staff to ensure each individual cat's needs are carefully considered and developed appropriately, using a gradual desensitisation programme to help cats get used to people and/or experiences at the cat's own pace.

Skills and experience required or could be developed:

- Basic knowledge of cats, cat care and hygiene standards
- Good interpersonal skills
- Observational skills
- Level headed and practical
- Patience and perseverance
- Ability to work well in a team

Expected time requirement:

- This is a very flexible role and can be shared by a number of volunteers.

How we will support you:

- Your contact for this role: Diane Mulcahy will provide you with day to day support, guidance and direction. Diane will work with others to ensure that you have a positive, enjoyable volunteering experience.

What you can gain from volunteering with Cats Protection:

- The opportunity to make a real difference to cats and kittens across the UK.
- The opportunity to develop new and existing skills.
- The opportunity to meet new people and work as part of a dedicated team.
- To gain experience working as an important member of the team in the UK's leading feline welfare charity.

"We feel our volunteering helps go towards finding a loving home for another homeless cat." - Helen and John Mole, Downham Market Adoption Centre.