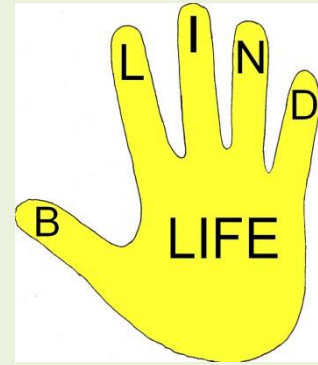


# BLIND LIFE in DURHAM



## Volunteer Application Form

Blind Life in Durham's Aims is to:

- To promote the welfare, independence and quality of life for people with visual impairment in County Durham.
- To be a voice for blind and partially sighted people.
- To create awareness amongst organisations/service providers etc.

We provide socialisation through having regular social meetings, outings, leisure activities and much more and strive to be about **What They Can Do!**

We need volunteers who would like to join in with our activities by providing regular assistance at any/all of the locations where we hold events and if they wish, join in with the fun!

Any information given on this form is confidential and covered by the General Data Protection Regulation 2018.

All applicants to fill in **Parts 1 - 4** and driver applicants to also complete **Part 5**

### Part 1

Title:	Full Name:
Address:	
Postcode:	
Email:	
Telephone No:	
Mobile No:	
How did you hear about volunteering for Blind Life in Durham?	
Emergency Contact Name: Contact phone number:	

## Part 2

Why would you like to be a volunteer for Blind Life in Durham?

What previous experience as a Volunteer do you have? :

Do you have any prior Work Experience, if so please tell us about it:

Do you have any main Hobbies and Interests?:

Please indicate particular days or times you would be available:

How did you hear about this opportunity?

Please give two independent referees who would be willing to supply a character reference (these must NOT be family members).

Name:	Name:
Address:	Address:
Telephone No:	Telephone No:
Mobile:	Mobile:
Email:	Email:

Please note that we do normally need two satisfactory references before you can start as a volunteer.

### **Part 3**

#### **CONFIDENTIAL**

Many of Blind Life in Durham's volunteering opportunities will involve regular contact with vulnerable people. As such applications to volunteer are subject to a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check.

Any convictions stated on the check DO NOT automatically mean you cannot volunteer for us, as it is down to our discretion. Could you please give brief details in the box below if you have ever been convicted at a Court or Cautioned by the Police for any offence?

If you would prefer to discuss, in confidence, the DBS check, please contact Jim or Margaret Welch.

If yes, please give the information here.

Do you have a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) Certificate less than 6 months old?

Yes / No

### **Part 4**

I agree that all the information given in this application is correct, to the best of my knowledge, and if successful agree to abide by Blind Life in Durham's policies and procedures and any necessary training to be able to carry out my volunteer role.

**Signed:**

**Dated:**

**Part 5**

**Additional Information for Volunteer Drivers**

Do you currently hold a full British driving licence? **YES / NO**

Are you over 18 years old? **YES / NO**

How long have you held a full licence? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you driven in the last 12 months? **YES / NO**

Do you have up to date comprehensive insurance cover? **YES / NO**

Are you prepared to get cover for volunteer driving? **YES / NO**

Are there any medical conditions that you feel could affect your ability to be a volunteer driver? **YES / NO**

If yes, has DVLA been informed? **YES / NO**

Has your car got a valid MOT Certificate? **YES / NO**

Have you got breakdown cover? **YES / NO**

Are you willing to transport someone with a guide dog? **YES / NO**  
(This will in no way will affect your application).

What is the registration of the car intended for use to transport Blind Life in Durham members?

The above information is correct to the best of my knowledge.

**Signed:**

**Dated:**

When complete return the Application Form to:

Blind Life in Durham

8 Brookside Avenue

Crook

Co Durham

DL15 8LB

Tel: 01388 763501 or Email: [blindlifeindurham@gmail.com](mailto:blindlifeindurham@gmail.com)