

**Gateshead Crossroads
Caring for Carers**

**How you
can
support us!**



Welcome to Gateshead Crossroads

Caring for Carers 'How you can support us' information leaflet. The aim of this leaflet is to tell you how **you can help Us!**

Gateshead Crossroads Caring for Carers is a registered charity that has been supporting carers in the Borough of Gateshead since 1990. We provide practical services, information and advice to carers to support them in their caring role and give them time for themselves.

How you can help us!

As a charitable organisation there are many ways that members of the public can help us to further our goals: to help and support as many carers as possible.

This leaflet lists different the ways in which you can help, and contains tear-off forms at the back which you can complete and return if you wish.

Here are some of the ways you can help:

Become a Member!

Membership of Gateshead Crossroads Caring for Carers gives you, or your organisation:

- The opportunity to attend and **vote at our Annual General Meeting**
- A copy of the **Annual Services Report**
- **Information** on the services we provide, including our latest developments!

Membership costs £2.00 per year and you can join simply by **completing the Membership form on page 6 of this leaflet.**

Help Us to Raise Money

This could mean:

- Making a **personal donation**
- **Donating unwanted goods or gifts** which we can sell or raffle to raise money at events
- Getting together with your friends and work colleagues and **raising money** on our behalf.
- You might like to consider us in your will if you are thinking of making a **bequest. Tick the option on the further information form on page 5 to receive more information about making a bequest)**

Gift Aid It!

Don't forget, if you are making a personal money donation and you are a UK taxpayer, if you complete a gift aid form then we can claim tax back on your donation. This makes a donation of £1.00 up to £1.28! Just **complete the Gift Aid form on Page 7 and return it with your donation and we will do the rest!**

Become a Trustee

Would you like to:

- make a positive difference to the lives of carers?
- Open up opportunities for your own personal development?
- Use your valuable skills in a rewarding way if you are retired or out of work?

We need people:

- With experience in fundraising, business practice, human resources, financial management, public relations and marketing.

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- We especially welcome carer representation so if you have experience of caring and would like to help, please contact us!
- We positively welcome and encourage applications from ethnic minorities.

For more information, **tick the box to receive a Trustee Information Pack on Page 5.**

Other ways you can volunteer:

Volunteers are very important to Gateshead Crossroads Caring for Carers. They help in many ways, including:

- Assisting with office administration, such as typing, photocopying and compiling information packs.
- Helping us to raise funds for the organisation.
- Many volunteers are carers themselves. Sometimes volunteers/carers can get involved on planning/training groups to help inform and develop carer services within Gateshead.
- We are often approached by the local media who want to speak to carers about specific issues.
- We may also need the support of volunteers/carers when exploring ideas for new developments.

For more information, **tick the box to receive information on volunteer vacancies on Page 5.**



Further Information

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If you would like further information, please complete the below form and return it to us at the freepost address shown:

Full Name:

Address:

Postcode:

Telephone Number:

Please send me some more information on:

Gateshead Crossroads Caring for Carers Services

Becoming a Trustee and what my responsibilities would be:

Vacancies for Volunteers

Making a Bequest to Gateshead Crossroads Caring for Carers

Complete and return to:

St. Joseph's Old School, Smailes Lane, Highfield,
Rowlands Gill, Tyne and Wear, NE39 2DB

How to Contact Us



By Post: Gateshead Crossroads Caring for Carers, St. Joseph's Old School, Smailes Lane, Highfield, Rowlands Gill, Tyne and Wear, NE39 2DB



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If you require this information in other formats, please contact us.