



Volunteer Role Description: Food Distributor 11-3pm

Who we are

Sussex Surplus is a community focussed organisation working to form a circular food economy in Sussex and the surrounding region. By using surplus produce (food at risk of going to waste) we are able to prevent quality food being thrown away, create jobs and worthwhile volunteer opportunities and provide access to nutritious food.

The team is largely neurodiverse and so the space we create aims to be inclusive and mindful of different people's needs and comfort. We work in a personal, flexible and supportive manner.

Every Thursday we aim to cook and deliver a delicious, nutritious and interesting 3 course meal for anyone who chooses to access it in the local community (and among our wider network). We strive for inclusivity and flexibility in the food we serve and the atmosphere of our space.

What you can expect from us

We will always try our best to:

- Uphold a lively and friendly environment
- Provide a range of tasks to do (you never need to do a job you're not keen on)
- Cater to individual needs - including dietary, sensory, ability, breaks, travel support etc
- Be clear and communicative

Your Role:

Our core mission is to reduce the amount of food that is wasted. This includes food from farms, shops, restaurants and people's homes. We aim to collect and redistribute as much food at risk of being wasted as possible. We do this by cooking most of it into community meals and long-life products like soups and chutneys, and the rest we try to give out as fresh produce. The amount and quality of the produce we receive is variable so we need to be flexible and imaginative.

Your role is to help us to make sure that the community has access to the produce we need to distribute, and to help us keep track of our stocks to make sure food is not going bad in our store rooms/fridges.

Your tasks include:

- Keeping the community fridge tidy and stocked up throughout
- Packing delivery boxes
- Monitoring food stocks in fridges and store room
- Sorting and storing food in appropriate places

For support with anything during your shift, please talk to Abi. If you have any safeguarding concerns about anyone you encounter please pass these on to Phil.