

Long Term Volunteering

Those who say it cannot be done should not interrupt the people doing it.
(Chinese proverb)



Camphill Simeon Care for the Elderly

in Great Britain, hosted by IVS GB

Theme:	Children, teenagers, elderly people
Location	Aberdeen, Scotland
Duration:	12 months (a minimum of 6 months may be considered). Next vacancies: August/Sept 2021.
Application:	Contact IVS for further information and an application form - info@ivsbg.org .
Vacancies	3
Languages:	
↔ Project:	English
↔ Local:	English

If you are interested in taking part in this project, or if you would like to get more information about becoming a long term volunteer, please contact your local SCI organisation. You can search for the contact information here: <http://www.sciint.org/contact-us/local-sci-branch-or-partner>

Project Description:

Simeon provides a home, care and companionship to 17 elderly frail people. We live together as a loving, caring family and help to make the last years of life rich, joyful and rewarding, both for those of us who care and those of us who are cared for.

Ours is a unique model of old age care. We are part of the Camphill movement and the first care home of its kind in the world. Our wish is that others are inspired by our approach to create homes for ageing people that bring peace, happiness and fulfillment.

Work: About 42 hours/week in flexible shifts. Two days off per week. You live and work in the community providing personal care and support to elderly residents, sharing all activities of daily living, joining in the care and upkeep of the houses and gardens.

Requirements: Some previous experience of care or social work with vulnerable people is desirable, but not essential as we will provide training and guidance. It is essential to have a good grasp of the English language on arrival, both in speaking and understanding, as this is for the safety of our residents. You should

be willing to learn and accept instruction and be ready to share your gifts and talents. We are looking for people with a compassionate and caring nature.

Food: We normally eat together, family style, for three meals a day with the residents. The main midday meal is prepared by our cook. During your time off foods (including snacks and ingredients from the larder) is available.

Accommodation: You will have your own furnished room and shared bathroom facilities and the use of the laundry, kitchen, and communal areas.

Pocket money: 175 GBP per month

Insurance: If you are from outside the Common Travel Area (CTA) you will need to pay for health surcharge (NHS) if you are staying for more than 6 months: this is usually GBP400. **PROOF IS REQUIRED: WITHOUT THIS VOLUNTEERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

Fees: None

Visa: IVS will issue a certificate of sponsorship for anyone living outside the Common Travel Area (CTA) who requires an entry visa. Tier 5 visa costs: GBP244. Simeon is also registered with UK Border Agency and is able to issue certificates of sponsorship.

Others: There are opportunities to meet and do things with the volunteers living and working in nearby Camphill centres.

Simeon trains all volunteers using a nationally recognised Induction in Social Care programme within the the first three months of joining Simeon. This includes training in first aid, manual handling, infection control, food safety, and fire safety. We offer foundation talks on Camphill and Anthroposophy and related subjects. A special application form is needed for this project.