

## Ex-offenders, homeless and unemployed people

**One-day workshop 09.45 – 16.00**

### **Aim of the Session:**

To enable delegates to identify how their organisation can engage and include ex-offenders, homeless and unemployed people as volunteers.

### **Learning Objectives**

By the end of this session, delegates will:

- be able to identify the relevance of volunteering to ex-offenders, homeless & unemployed people
- clarify the key barriers to engaging ex-offenders, homeless and unemployed volunteers
- identify strategies to engage with these volunteers, applicable to their own situation
- feel confident in applying principles of engaging with these volunteers in their own programme
- have made a number of key contacts for future support and be able to access further resources

This workshop provides the opportunity for delegates to consider how ex-offenders, homeless and unemployed people can be engaged as volunteers. It will review the research and good practice guidance produced to date, and encourage delegates to explore what can be done further to develop meaningful volunteering opportunities for these groups of people.

### **Outline agenda**

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09.45 – 10:00 Registration and coffee

10.00 – 10.35 Welcome, introductions & agreeing outcomes for the day

10.35 – 11.15 Ex-offenders, homeless and unemployed people and volunteering

11.15 – 11.30 Coffee

11.30 – 11.55 Volunteering for ex-offenders, homeless & unemployed people: summary of research

11.55 – 12.45 Engaging with ex-offenders, homeless and unemployed volunteers: group discussions

12.45 – 13.30 Lunch

13.30 – 14.15 Engaging with ex-offenders, homeless and unemployed volunteers: presentations

14.15 – 14.45 Practices that can inform/inspire the volunteer-involving community: group discussions

14.45 – 15.00 Coffee

15.00 – 15.40 Practices that can inform/inspire the volunteer-involving community – feedback

15.40 – 16.00 Review of objectives, summary and closing context