

CONCUKLTV01-24 - CAMPHILL TIGH A'CHOMAINN
01/06/2024 – 31/05/2025 - 2 vols

Work: SEND/DISA

Vols: 2

Age: 18-25

Location: Aberdeen, Scotland

Requirements: Camphill App Form, VEF, motivation letter, CGC, 2 professional references, Medical Certificate



PROJECT: We are a small and vibrant Camphill Community started in 1987, with two homes situated in a large garden in Peterculter, a village on the outskirts of Aberdeen. In Tigh a'Chomainn we live together as a community supporting adults, some of whom have learning disabilities. Living together in an extended family environment provides the possibility for us all to develop new skills and opportunities. Whilst building these skills we aim to support one another practically and emotionally as needed. In Tigh a'Chomainn we recognise that we all have different strengths and so aim to support those strengths and foster an attitude of mutual respect for the contributions we can all make for one another. We help one another to feel supported in the decisions that we make for our futures and appreciate the self-esteem that we can gain from our successes. But if we happen to make some mistakes along the way we can do so knowing that we can learn from them and be helped to make the next step.

Tigh a'Chomainn is one of 10 Camphill Communities in Scotland. The host offers a unique setting in which you will learn skills which can transfer to a career in medicine, social work or care. Alternatively if you want a placement which will give you very valuable hands-on experience in caring for adults with learning difficulties.

The placement is also a great experience if you are looking for something meaningful to do on a gap year or simply want to go on a new adventure and change of environment. We don't look for any previous or specific experience, just a can-do attitude, genuine interest and a passion for helping people! Short-term co-workers are an integral part of Tigh a'Chomainn Camphill, supporting our residents with the help of our senior care and support team.

WORK:

The overall objective of the project is supporting and assisting adults with additional support needs, learning difficulties and mental health conditions in their day to day lives.

Volunteers will undertake ancillary and personal care tasks, light domestic duties and general support for individuals.

Camphill is a unique vocational experience as it is based on living and working with the residents. As part of this amazing long term volunteering experience there is an expectation that volunteers become

part of the 'community' at Camphill TAC. Volunteers will also have the opportunity to participate in community and team meetings to share any ideas and develop skills.

All volunteers will be given 'holiday leave' for the duration of their stay and Camphill TAC.

TRAINING: Volunteers will receive an training induction upon arrival to the site and there will be consistent training throughout this year. Volunteers will be introduced to other staff and volunteers on site. Volunteers will be paired with a 'co-worker' for them to 'shadow' until you feel comfortable with the practices and procedures. Necessary additional training may be given to the volunteers throughout the year.

ACCOMODATION & FOOD: Volunteers will live on site or an accommodation a short walk away. Your type of accommodation will vary depending on space and availability. Volunteers may be given accommodation at a flat separate to the main property where you would have your own room. All rooms will come with bathroom, bed, storage for clothes and access to Wi-Fi. Volunteers will be provided with a lockable area/safe to store anything away.

Volunteers have a washing machine, tumble drier or can use the ones in the house at specified times. Volunteers are provided with food and have use of a kitchen with all appliances available. 3 meals a day are provided by TAC for all volunteers.

Near to the accommodation there is a local medical centre, a gym, Cafes/bars/restaurants and an easily accessible bus link to Aberdeen City Centre.

POCKET MONEY & ALLOWANCES: Volunteers are provided with all meals, accommodation and laundry. Volunteers are provided with a **£200 monthly subsistence allowance**.

HOW TO APPLY:

- All applicants must send on application a completed **VEF and then will receive a Camphill application form + two professional references**
- **Zoom Interviews:** will be arranged individually
- After Zoom interview, if confirmed on the project, applicants should send a **certificate of good conduct** /police check from your home country and a **Medical Certificate**

ACCESSIBILITY: Volunteers need to have a reasonable level of physical fitness.

EXTRA FEE: £50 (GBP) - a small contribution to Concordia's administration fees.

UK VISA COSTS: All volunteers will need to apply for a **Temporary Work – Charity Worker, please be aware that this has replaced the Tier 5 (T5) Charity Worker VISA**. The application fee for this VISA is **£298** and you can stay for up to 12 months. To apply for the Charity Workers VISA volunteers will need a **Certificate of Sponsorship (COS)** this will be provided by Concordia at the cost of **£25**. As this project is more than 6 months long volunteers will have to pay and **Immigration Health Surcharge (IHS)** which will cost **£1035 which the host will reimburse you for**.

