**My Sight Nottingham**

**Role: My Guide Volunteer**

**Location: Various, Nottingham**

**Responsible to: Anita Pashley**

**About My Sight**  
My Sight Nottinghamshire promotes greater independence for visually impaired people of all ages. We provide support, advice, information and activities for people with sight loss living in Nottingham City and Nottinghamshire. At My Sight over 150 people give freely of their time and skills in a variety of ways, from social groups to fundraising events. Get involved and have a hand in making a real difference to your community, locally!

**Role Description:**As a My Guide volunteer, you'll be matched up with a member on our waiting list, spending 1 to 2 hours together every week. You'll provide a visually impaired person with much needed friendship and the opportunity to get out and about in their local area, access community services and enjoy life.

We are looking for volunteers who are understanding, patient and good at listening. Volunteers also need to be able to walk unaided and be able to provide sighted guide, don’t worry we will provide training to ensure you are confident with this.

We will keep in touch with you and the person you are supporting to ensure you are both happy with the partnership and we will continue to offer you any help and support you need. We will always be there to support you during your volunteering and discuss any concerns that might arise.

My Sight will cover any reasonable expenses incurred as part of your volunteer role including travel. Mileage is paid at 45p per mile and travel tickets will be reimbursed.

Our My Guide volunteers need to be:

* Aged 18 or over
* Able to provide 2 referees and undergo a DBS check
* Be understanding, patient and good at listening.
* Be able to walk unaided so you can provide sighted guide assistance, training will be provided.
* We are looking for volunteers who are understanding, patient and good at listening. Volunteers also need to be friendly, helpful and confident when working with the public.

In this role, you’ll join our well-established team of volunteers with training and ongoing support. You will build your confidence and be able to develop your organisation and communication skills. You will meet new people, make new friends and have fun. The training provided will include attending a Level 1 Sighted Guiding and you will receive a certificate of completion.