

# **Become a Street Pastor**



Street Pastors are teams of trained Church volunteers who work on the streets of Hereford to provide a safe and caring presence in our community's night-time economy.

We partner with CCTV, door staff and emergency services to keep people safe on the streets, whether they are on a night out or in other situations where they may require help.

#### What do Street Pastors get up to?

In teams of three, Street Pastors respond to many different situations that those in our city at night-time may encounter, from hailing a taxi for someone to reconnecting them with loved ones or dealing with safeguarding issues.

We are always willing to lend a listening ear to anyone who may need support and are committed to our community and seek to bring practical meaning to the 'power of Jesus' love.'



"I just want to say a massive thank you to all of you! The work you do is incredible! I can only dread to think what could have happened to us if you guys didn't come to our rescue. We appreciate your help massively! From the bottom of our hearts thank you! You are all truly amazing!"





Inspired by the Parable of the Good Samaritan, Hereford Street Pastors have access to our fully equipped First Aid vehicles known as the 'Donkeys' to help people get home safely.

Our teams also work alongside Vennture's night-time safe space 'Lean-on-Me' to care for people in the night-time economy.

## 'Help Hereford get home safely'





Our mission is to help Hereford get home safely. We take this mission very seriously and provide intensive training to our volunteers so that we can be prepared for a wide range of situations in which we may need to offer support.

Training opportunities include Street Pastor Roles and Responsibilities, Working with the police, Ways of Working and Safeguarding. We also have ongoing additional sessions covering topics including First aid, Mental Health, Manual Handling, Bereavement, Alcohol & Drugs, Suicide Prevention, Youth Culture and much more.

"On Saturday I was in a really bad way. You called help, you didn't look down on me, you gave me hope. I wanted to end it all, now I've started on the right path."

-Young woman found unconscious in HighTown

#### Become a volunteer

We're keen to recruit considerate, caring, trustworthy volunteers who have been part of a local church for at least 12 months and who are good decision makers, can stay calm under pressure and work well in a team.

If you fit the bill, are 18 years or over and can commit to volunteer for at least a year, we'd love to hear from you. No previous experience is necessary, all our volunteers are given full training by professional teams.

Full information is provided in our application pack.

There are uniform, equipment, supplies and training costs for every volunteer trained by Vennture. Where possible, volunteers are encouraged to consider making a donation towards these expenses.

### For more information or to apply

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