

Press release: City Hosts continue the movement in Coventry for National Volunteers Week
It's National Volunteers week and we want to take this opportunity to thank our City Host Volunteers for all their support, dedication and time.

In 2022 alone EnV deployed volunteers 11,967 times providing 31,045 volunteer hours. EnV volunteers were also involved across the summer as part of the Commonwealth Games and International Children's Games.

2023 so far 36 events, deployed 1673 times, 3993 hours which have included Myton Glow, Harry Styles, The Coronation celebrations & Arnold Clarke Cup.

Back in March, we announced that we are offering all our volunteers their very own EnV pedometer as part of the #MyPromise campaign. We want to encourage as many as possible to get active whilst volunteering as we know that volunteering has been proven to improve wellbeing and overall health.

86% of City Hosts stated volunteering improves their wellbeing

61% of City Hosts stated volunteering increased their confidence

68% of City Hosts gained new skills or improved existing skills

80% of visitors agreed that the City Hosts improved their experience while attending or participating in events

Other benefits include access to free training and the opportunity to be involved in a variety of events and occasions.

Recruitment is once again underway for friendly, helpful and polite individuals to become City Host volunteers to continue the volunteer movement following Coventry's year as UK City of Culture.

Anyone who is 18 years of age or over can apply on-line today at www.env.uk.com/cityhosts

Following a successful application final 'Get Set' training events will take place located in Coventry city centre. Applicants who do not have access to make an on-line application can call the EnV Volunteer Team on [02475122675](tel:02475122675) for further support and applications can be made at any time.

David Boughey, Managing Director, EnV said:

"We are looking for new volunteers to join our award winning volunteer community, making a positive difference. Our City Hosts are capable, committed, inspirational volunteers building on our proud history of volunteering since 2012. Roles that are mostly undertaken involve customer service, meet & greet, registration and marshalling. Our volunteers have supported hundreds of exciting events of all sizes such as music festivals, sports events, arts and culture displays, media exhibitions and many more."

Astrid Clarke, a City Host and a volunteer with EnV as a Coventry Ambassador since 2012 said:

Volunteering was a new experience for me but I wanted to be involved, be part of an exciting time for Coventry. Along the way I have learnt much more about my city, can share my knowledge with people confidently as well as help support at lots of events. I enjoy being able to make a difference. But as well as helping the public and event organisers, I also help my

own wellbeing. 'Helper's high' is a reality! Becoming a City Host is like joining a big, supportive family but with the extra plus knowing you are supporting the city.

Find out more about how to apply at www.env.uk.com/cityhosts

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**Image of volunteers at Godiva Festival 2022*

About EnV

EnV is a Community Interest Company (C.I.C) born from the London 2012 Olympic Games legacy. We offer award-winning services specialising in Events, Training & Volunteer programmes working with event

and conference providers, local authorities, destination management organisations, education, businesses and community organisations.

Our services offer a unique combination of providing a positive social and individual impact for our volunteers and the people we work alongside while also reducing costs for the organisations we work with. Income received for our services is fully reinvested in our community interest delivery including the ongoing investment to sustain and grow our volunteer programmes.

EnV services are focused towards providing a positive impact for people and their communities with volunteers at the heart of everything we do.

This is all reflected in our mission of: Benefiting the community by providing quality events, training and volunteers **in the community, by the community, for the community.**

Our organisation and volunteer programmes have been awarded the Queens Award for Voluntary Service twice in 2012 and 2020. We also work with other cities sharing our input and expertise as a model of best practice including working with Tokyo2020 and Birmingham2022 volunteer programmes.

Find out more: www.env.uk.com