

## **Volunteer Tutor Role Description - Thriving Families**

**Location:** Home-based

**Commitment:** 2 hours a week, 3 month+ commitment

**Main role:** Delivering online tuition to young refugees, asylum seekers and migrants (Year 9-11)

### **About the project**

Unleashing Refugee Potential (URP) is a Leeds based social enterprise that supports refugees into education, employment and entrepreneurship. We have launched the Thriving Families tuition project to address the worsening educational inequalities that have resulted from school closures. Many of the refugees, asylum seekers and migrants we support faced substantial barriers to supporting their children's home learning. The main barriers they faced were lack of IT equipment and internet access, unsuitable home learning environments and language barriers.

We are deeply concerned that the educational inequalities resulting from school closures will prevent young refugees and asylum seekers from being able to fulfill their potential. We are providing Year 9-11 pupils at schools in Leeds with IT equipment and linking them with volunteer tutors to deliver weekly one-to-one online tuition. We hope that free tuition will give pupils from refugee backgrounds an opportunity to catch up and improve their academic outcomes.

### **Volunteer Tutor role**

- Volunteer tutors will be partnered with young refugees, asylum seekers and migrants (Year 9-11) in Leeds to deliver weekly 2 hourly online one-to-one tuition sessions.
- Volunteers are expected to give regular feedback to URP about tuition sessions
- Volunteers must act in line with Unleashing Refugee Potential's policies around Online Tuition, Child Protection and Safeguarding

### **Requirements**

- Weekly availability to deliver one-to-one tuition sessions in relevant subject areas for at least 3 months
- Knowledge of secondary school curriculum for relevant subject areas
- An Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check- can be facilitated by URP
- Prior tutoring/teaching experience is preferred, but not essential
- An undergraduate degree/currently studying for an undergraduate degree
- Ability to work with people from different cultural backgrounds
- Confidence with communicating with people who speak English as a second language
- Willingness to uphold the mission and values of Unleashing Refugee Potential
- Good communication and interpersonal skills

- Access to a computer and internet connection
- An ability to speak another language is desirable, but not essential

### **What will you get from volunteering with us?**

- Rewarding experience working with EAL students
- The opportunity to have a huge impact on a young refugee's life and address educational inequalities
- A great opportunity to develop your skills and confidence and gain valuable tuition experience
- We can provide learning or tuition materials, if needed
- We can pay for an Enhanced DBS check

### **To apply**

Please complete the Thriving Families Volunteer Tutor Application form and email it to Unleashing Refugee Potential's Director, Kidist at [kidist@urp.org.uk](mailto:kidist@urp.org.uk)