**SAINT FRANCIS HOSPICE**

## JOB DESCRIPTION

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| JOB TITLE | RETAIL SUPPORT ASSISTANT |
| GRADE | 2 |
| HOURS OF DUTY | 37.5 |
| REPORTS TO | Warehouse Manager |
| KEY RELATIONSHIPS | Director of Retail and Trading – Head of Retail – Retail Area Managers - Head office – all Shop and Online staff  Hospice, supporters of the Hospice and the public. |

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| JOB SUMMARY |
| Working across the Hospice sites – delivering /collecting donated goods using the EPOS tablet system. Supporting the estates team/shop when required. Physically demanding role with heavy lifting and carrying involved daily. |

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| MAIN DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES |
| **Warehouse**   * Ensure that you adhere to the Health & Safety requirements of the Warehouse, * including manual handling and operational safety processes. * Support the Warehouse Manager/Team leader in the collection of donated items including ragging from the shops. * Undertake PAT Testing of donated electrical items and distribute them for sale through the retail stores. * To help with transfers of stock between shops. Which involves driving Hospice vehicles. * Always maintain professional confidentiality. * Promoting the good reputation of the Hospice by maintaining high standards of customer service. * Encouraging donors to digitally sign up for gift aid when collecting donations. * To support in the Estates delivery at times when required, acting as a key holder for Shops when required.   **Security and Health and Safety**   * Ensure security policy and procedures are always followed. * Always comply with Health and Safety policy and procedure. * Ensure that manual handling procedures are followed in the Warehouse escalating any issues to your line manager.   **Donated stock - delivery and collection services – internal stock transfers**   * Deliver or collect goods. * Support the estates team when needed.   **Vehicle Maintenance and Health and Safety**   * Be always responsible for the security of the van and its contents. * Comply with Saint Francis Hospice polices procedures and processes regarding driving for the Hospice by daily completing the daily checklist on SFH vehicles   **Other**   * Keep up to date with Hospice initiatives, supporting where possible. * Be willing to travel for meetings and training sessions. * Build positive internal and external relationships to further support Retail. * Be willing to work additional days and hours as and when required. |

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| ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS OF POSTHOLDER |
| **SENSITIVITY AND PROFESSIONALISM:** As an employee of Saint Francis Hospice, you should expect that it is likely that you will come into contact with patients, their families and members of the public who are at the end of life or recently bereaved. All employees are expected to respond to people recounting and expressing their emotions about such events with sensitivity and understanding, and to know enough about the services that the Hospice provides to be able to signpost people who may benefit from our services to the relevant contacts.  **CONFIDENTIALITY**: The post holder must maintain confidentiality, security and integrity of information relating to patients, staff and other hospice matter during the course of duty. Any breach of Confidentiality may become a disciplinary issue.  **DATA PROTECTION**: It is the responsibility of all staff to be aware of their obligations in respect of the Data Protection Act 1998.  **EQUAL OPPORTUNITES:** The hospice is committed to the development of positive policies to promote equal opportunity in employment and has a clear commitment to equal opportunities. All employees have a responsibility to ensure that they understand the standards expected and that they promote and adhere to the equal opportunity measures adopted by the hospice.  **HEALTH AND SAFETY**: All staff must be familiar with section 2 of the Health & Safety Policy, Organisation of Health and Safety. This documents sets out the responsibilities of all staff for health and safety, whether in a supervisory capacity or not. Policy section 3 (arrangements for Health and Safety) provides an overview of training for competence in Health and Safety matters.  **HOSPICE IDENTITY BADGES**: Hospice ID badges must be worn at all times whilst on duty.  **SMOKING:** The hospice acknowledges its responsibility to provide a safe, smoke free environment, for its employees, service users and visitors. Smoking is therefore not permitted at any point whilst on duty, in accordance with the guidelines set down within the Hospice No Smoking Policy.  **REGISTRATION COMPLAINCE/CODE OF CONDUCT:**  All employees who are required to register with a professional body to enable them to practice within their profession, are required to comply with their code of conduct and requirements of their professional registration.  **WORKING TIME REGULATIONS:** The ‘Working Time Regulations 1998’ require that you should not work more than an average of 48 hours in each week. For example, in a 26 week period you should work no more than 1248 hours. |

*Please note that this job description is not definitive or restrictive in any way. It is a guide to the responsibilities of the role. It may be reviewed, in consultation with the post holder, in light of changing circumstances and the changing needs of the Hospice*

*The post holder will be expected to perform any other such duties as might reasonably be required by the Directors and will work in accordance with all Hospice Policies and Procedures..*

*In an emergency, all staff may be required to work different hours or carry out different tasks to those set out in their contracts of employment. This will be done in consultation with individuals and taking into account any special circumstances that may exist.*

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Retail Support Assistant

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| **E = ESSENTIAL** | | **D = DESIRABLE** | | |
|  | **Demonstrating the Hospice Values – Supportive, Compassionate, Inclusive and Respectful, Professional, Always Learning** | |  |  |
|  | **Supportive** - The ability to listen to and value peoples’ experience and use them to give the personal support that is right for everyone.  **Compassionate** - The ability to be kind and treat everyone we meet with care and compassion. The ability to be friendly and put people at the heart of our actions and words, supporting people’s choices and decisions, helping them to feel safe, secure and valued.  **Inclusive and Respectful** - The ability to be open and transparent and value each person’s individuality. To be able to show respect for everyone and value diversity. To be mindful that our different experiences and knowledge make us stronger and together we achieve more.  **Professional** - The ability to do your best, in providing the appropriate care and expertise to those who need us and support us.  **Always Learning** - The ability to be open and outward looking, always ready to adapt and change, looking for better ways of doing things, by learning from each other and from the ever changing world around us. | | **E** |  |

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|  | **Education & Training** | **E** | **D** |
|  | Basic general education | **E** |  |
|  | Good standard of literacy & numeracy (level 1) | **E** |  |
|  | Full current UK drivers’ licence with no endorsements | **E** |  |
|  | **Skills/Abilities/Knowledge** |  |  |
|  | Good written and verbal communication skills | **E** |  |
|  | Ability to respond quickly to requests in order to perform duties | **E** |  |
|  | Ability to work under supervision, and independently, as appropriate. | **E** |  |
|  | Good interpersonal skills | **E** |  |
|  | Good time management skills, able to work calmly under pressure | **E** |  |
|  | Basic IT skills | **E** |  |
|  | Basic Estates maintenance skills |  | **D** |
|  | Basic awareness of Health and Safety |  | **D** |
|  | **Experience** |  |  |
|  | Experience of delivering good level of customer service | **E** |  |
|  | Experience of working independently and as part of a team | **E** |  |
|  | Recent experience working as a driver. | **E** |  |
|  | Experience of collecting, delivering with physically demanding items | **E** |  |
|  | **Other Requirement** |  |  |