

**Job Title**

Best Start Project Worker

Salary

£27068 per annum pro rata for 22.5 hours per week (FTE 0.60)

About Us

North Tyneside VODA is a leading organisation that provides invaluable support, advice, training and information to the voluntary and community sector in North Tyneside.

Committed to the development of the voluntary and community sector, we deliver the successful Best Start project, offering infant feeding peer support to new parents across North Tyneside.

Job Summary

We are seeking a dedicated and collaborative individual to join our team as Best Start Project Worker. In this role, you will play a crucial part in building on the success of the Best Start project, focusing on recruitment and coordination of infant feeding peer support volunteers in a group setting. The aim of the project is to protect, promote, normalise and support breastfeeding, recognising its significance in fostering close and loving relationships between parents and infants.

Key Responsibilities

- Recruit, train and coordinate a team of infant feeding peer supporter volunteers.
- Foster a positive breastfeeding-friendly culture in North Tyneside.
- Advocate for normalising breastfeeding and supporting parents in developing close and loving relationships with their children.
- Collaborate with volunteers and community organisations to bring about positive change in the community.
- Represent the views of the sector to government and policy makers on a local level.

We are looking for someone who is

- A passionate advocate for breastfeeding and positive parenting.
- Experienced in coordinating and supporting volunteers.
- Uses a collaborative and co-produced approach to community development
- Has strong communication and advocacy skills
- Committed to maintaining a safe, valued and fulfilling work culture.

Why Join Us?

- Be part of a growing, talented and motivated staff team.
- Work in a fantastic new headquarters in North Tyneside.
- Build strong relationships with partners from across the voluntary, public and private sectors.



- Benefit from flexible working arrangements, contributory BUPA and pension scheme and generous car and cycle mileage allowance.

This post is funded until December 2025.

How to apply

If you are enthusiastic about making a positive impact in the community, please download the application pack below and return your completed application form outlining your relevant experience and why you are the ideal candidate for this role to Suzy.Forbes@voda.org.uk.

For any questions about the Best Start Project Worker role, please contact our Projects and Partnerships Manager Alex Henry on alex.henry@voda.org.uk

Application deadline

Wednesday 27th March 2024 at noon

Interviews will take place on Thursday 4th April 2024 at the VODA offices, Wallsend Customer First Centre, Wallsend. NE28 8JR.

North Tyneside VODA is an equal opportunities employer and encourages candidates from all backgrounds to apply. We appreciate all applications, but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.