

# **Employee Action Days**

# with The Conservation Volunteers London

# What is an Employee Action Day?

Bespoke and exciting team building projects, giving your group the opportunity to carry out practical conservation and environmental work to improve green spaces around the capital. Employer Supported Volunteering connects your team with the community you work in, and provides a unique opportunity to build team dynamics and staff morale.

# Who are we?

The Conservation Volunteers support tens of thousands of volunteers and community groups every year to protect green spaces all over London. We have been Reclaiming Green Spaces since 1959 and are the UK's leading practical conservation charity.

#### What different projects are on offer?

Seasonal projects in locations across London range from creating habitats such as ponds or meadows, improving access to public green spaces by building new paths and steps, learning traditional skills such as coppicing or hedge laying, or creating spaces for communities to grow food.



With sites across London, opportunities include helping to manage the many wildlife and woodland areas that are set aside for nature conservation by tackling tasks and challenges such as reedbed and wetland management, haymaking, coppicing on the canal banks, seeding meadows, and planting native trees and hedgerows. Or you might choose to head coppice sycamore and ash trees, and construct wildlife habitats from the felled wood.

# Contact your local office to find out more about opportunities in your area by visiting <u>www.tcv.org.uk/london/employee-action-days</u> or email corporate-volunteeringlondon@tcv.org.uk

#### Why do we need you?

Quite simply, without your support we could not work with and inspire the vast numbers of people we do, manage the many green spaces we do, or aspire to reclaim the many hundreds of neglected green spaces in London that are not actively managed for biodiversity and the community.



# Why choose The Conservation Volunteers?

With over 50 years experience in organising and leading practical conservation tasks you can be sure of a rewarding experience. We offer a bespoke service ensuring the environmental and community benefit of each Employee Action Day is maximised.

Our fully trained leaders will work with you to identify a project that meets your requirements, and ensure that your team have a safe and memorable day. Your team will be able to choose from a range of tasks, receive appropriate training and learn new skills. Working together in a new environment, they will build new synergies with their co-workers, identify their own strengths, and come back energised with the satisfaction of having made a significant contribution.

Through employee volunteering, your team and support can make a huge difference where most needed! Your help is needed on sites ranging from the most beautiful and wildlife friendly in the capital, to the most neglected.

# What are the benefits to you?

Corporate volunteering has shown to:

- Increase employee commitment and motivation as they have fun and make a difference to the environment
- Enhance the skills of employees and selfconfidence as they take on new challenges
- Encourage team building and communication of employees as they work together on a 'level playing field'
- Create beneficial publicity and networks with potential partners and clients
- Improve business green credentials and help meet CSR objectives





More useful information about Employee Action Days

# How much will it cost and how many can attend?

The cost of planning and delivering the day is related to the size of the group, as we need to have approximately 1 leader/ first aider for every 10 volunteers, dependant on the task and risk assessment. We charge £50 per head +VAT, (minimum £500 +VAT). Some specific tasks will require extra materials, such as trees or seeds, so a quote will be provided once we have identified your specific requirements. The only restriction on the maximum number is the availability of a suitable site.

# Is any special training/ equipment required?

No, you do not need any prior training, knowledge or equipment to take part. Our skilled staff will be on hand to guide the group throughout the dayand provide everything you need. All we require from you is your enthusiasm!

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