



# SLBS VOLUNTEER INSIGHT

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Spring /Summer Edition

Dear Volunteers

Welcome to the “Spring/Summer 2018” edition of the SLBS Volunteers Insight Newsletter, this is the 6<sup>th</sup> edition and I hope you all agree it’s a great way to keep you informed and celebrate your achievements.

Its Volunteers week 1-7th June, and I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you all for your generous support giving hundreds of hours to help us achieve our goals and provide support to our service users. Whether you home visit one or more of our Service Users, help with our store collections, eye clinics, media and transcription tasks, or in the office, without you we would not be able to provide this service – Thank you all!

Since our last newsletter many of you have been out and about promoting our Society, supporting promotional fundraising events at M&S Grantham, Morrison’s-Pinchbeck, Spalding and ASDA, Boston raising over £700. Thank you to those who stood tirelessly at these events. We have more planned in June, July and August - - if you can help with these upcoming events please contact us for more details.

**Save the date:** especially to our new volunteers and those who have not yet attended the Visual Impairment Awareness Training.

**Visual Impairment Awareness Training, Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> June:** Volunteer training and recognition is important to us, and with new volunteers joining us every week, we have set the date for the next Visual Impairment Awareness Training. This training is for new volunteers and for those of you who would like some refresher training. Please find details on attached flyer.

I hope you all have a wonderful time this summer and enjoy your holidays wherever you have chosen to go! I am choosing sun, beach and great food for my summer break....

*Eve Farely, MBE*

*Volunteer Development Officer*

# Volunteer Corner



## *PROMOTING OUR SOCIETY AT ASDA, BOSTON!*

*Thanks to everyone who  
helped us on the day - we  
raised £180.60!*



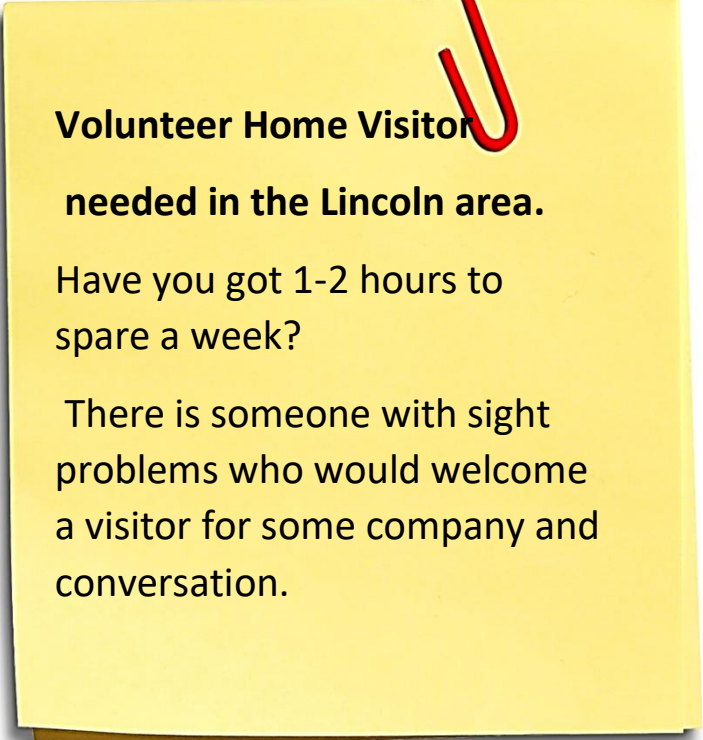
*And thanks to Colin SLBS Vice  
Chairman, and his guide dog  
Orlando- who got lots of doggy  
treats and cuddles from ASDA  
customers!*

## *RNIB Training Day, Grantham*

*Volunteers learning new  
technology skills to support  
service users with using sight  
impaired features on mobile  
phones and Tablets.*




# Volunteer Vacancies...



## **Volunteer Home Visitor needed in the Lincoln area.**

Have you got 1-2 hours to spare a week?

There is someone with sight problems who would welcome a visitor for some company and conversation.



## **Volunteers needed for our store collections coming up at the following venues:**

**29<sup>th</sup> June** Isaac Newton Center, Grantham

**6<sup>th</sup> July** Tesco's, Sleaford

**7<sup>th</sup> July** ASDA, Grantham

**10<sup>th</sup> August** Tesco's Boston

**17<sup>th</sup> August** Oldrids, Grantham

## **Calling all Sociable Volunteers!**

We are looking for someone to help out at our Boston and Sleaford Social Clubs!

Just a couple of hours on a regular basis could mean something to look forward to for an isolated person.

Join our Social Group teams for a good natter

# If you need to get in touch...

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