

JOB DESCRIPTION - General volunteer

Purpose

To support the charity shop operation, supporting the recycling of donated items, generating revenue to support local and selected organisations either financially or by re-donated items. Supporting the operation in other areas when required

Key responsibilities

1. Support the sortation of donated items
2. Preparing items for sale
3. Ensuring items are correctly priced
4. Maintain display disciplines
5. Accurately completing cash and card sales
6. Provide excellent customer service
7. Maintain and safe and clean environment

Actions

SORTATION

Ensure donations are fit for purpose, clean and working. Preparing for shop floor, storage re-donation and any items that are unsuitable prepare for recycling organisations or waste disposal. Complete checks on Book, CD and DVD'S and clothing that will maximise retail value through external revenue providers

PREPAREING ITEMS FOR SALE

Clean items and see they are working, replacing batteries where required, ensure all item are fit for purpose.

PRICING

Item should be consistently priced and clearly visible to the customer, placing price stickers in the top right hand corner. Where possible shelf price labels can be used: - EG. Books, CD, DVDS, cards, clothing items, glasses, mugs. Dayglow tickets or pre-printed tickets should be used on larger high priced items. Bench mark product by viewing similar items already priced, larger priced item may require management support.

DISPLAY MAINTANIANCE

Product grouping is important to assist customer selection avoid random dumping, please ensure given sections are not contaminated, regular cleaning of shelves can enhance displays, damaged fixtures and fittings should be replaced. Damaged item should be removed from sale and put in waste bins

TILL OPERATION

Once trained till operators must complete each transaction accurately either cash or card where applicable . Only trained staff over 15yrs should use the till. Purchases should be packed in suitable bags. Requests for collection of donations should be accurately recorded on order form provided. Similarly any deliveries must be recorded on delivery forms, unless you can guarantee a delivery date and ETA. Then offer to contact later. Product can be held for 24 hrs then returned to sale. Key errors should be reported to senior person and validated. This is the point where excellent customer experience is required and can help in securing repeat visits. Avoid part payment where possible

EXCELLENT CUSTOMER SERVICE

In any retail operation customer service is vital, an inviting, well set up shop with items clearly priced and with a clean orderly and safe environment goes a long way to delivering a satisfactory experience for the customer resulting in repeat visits and increased sales. Because 50% of the experience is in personal interaction, things to do include being polite, helpful and respectful of customer requests. Being prepared to go that extra mile offering a smile, never saying I don't know is instead of I`ll find out. Ensure you contribute to a good working relationship with your co-volunteers working in harmony.

SAFE WORKING ENVIRONMENT

Keep walk ways clear of obstructions, regular sweeping and hoovering on a daily basis, ANY hazards you find should be corrected as soon as possible real or perceived, if you cannot correct then inform the most senior Volunteer. Clean as you go should be your motto. Accident should be recorded in correct manner (including near misses). When at work always consider the safety of others. Only use approved cleaning materials and read instruction before use.

Personal Attributes

Whilst not essential would be preferred

Team player, Flexible working hours, organised, methodical, strong work ethic, reliable and trust worthy with a willingness to take on other responsibilities. Varying levels of numeracy, literacy and reasonable communicative skills