

Benevolent Fund Ambassador

Volunteer Role Descriptor

1. Introduction

The Chemical Engineers Benevolent Fund is the charity that helps chemical engineers respond to difficult changes in their circumstances. We support people with the problems they're facing in their everyday lives, and then equip them with tools and skills for long-term resilience.

The charity is over 90 years old, and we're adapting to meet the needs of chemical engineers in 2025 and beyond. We want more chemical engineers to know who we are and how we can help, and to raise vital funds to help supporting friends and colleagues in the profession.

You can read more about us and some examples of chemical engineers we've supported on our site: <https://www.chemengbenfund.org/>

2. What you will be doing

- Raise awareness of the Benevolent Fund among friends and colleagues, signposting people to access support if required
- Build relationships with local organisations, groups and employers, encouraging them to support us where appropriate
- Be our eyes and ears, reporting back news and insight that might impact the chemical engineering community
- Regularly share and promote the charity's content on social media platforms, as well as participating in content such as videos
- Organise small-scale fundraising events in the chemical engineering community

3. About you

You'll need to:

- Be a member of IChemE
- Be passionate and enthusiastic about supporting fellow chemical engineers in need
- Have good verbal communication skills

4. How you will benefit

- Your time will help friends and colleagues facing difficult situations, supporting them and changing lives
- Share your insight and knowledge to help shape the charity to support current and future chemical engineers and their families
- Ensure the long term stability of a charity that has been a key part of your profession for over 90 years
- Develop your personal skills including communication and organisation
- Expand and grow your network with other chemical engineers through opportunities and events
- Receive an IChemE volunteer badge recognising your support and contribution
- Boost your profile and employability by showing your commitment to the profession

5. Time commitment

Flexible, up to 3 hours per month

6. Period of appointment

Rolling – we are happy to be flexible around your own commitments and goals, and welcome both short-term and long-term appointments

7. How to apply & appointment method

Please apply using the “Apply now” button on this advert on the website. Please include a short summary to tell us about you, your career and interests, and why you are interested in the role.

8. Induction & training

The role is fully supported by the Benevolent Fund Team.

You’ll have an induction meeting with the Benevolent Fund Manager to explain how the charity supports chemical engineers and their families, and guidance on how to discuss support with friends and colleagues who may need to access this.

We will also provide a fundraising pack for ideas and materials.

9. Further information

Expenses for the activities:

No significant expenses are expected to be incurred.

Is the role location specific?	No – we welcome applications from anywhere in the world
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Number of roles available	Ten
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For further information please contact volunteer@icheme.org

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