

Volunteer Speaker Role Description



Speaker
Network

The WaterAid Speaker Network plays an important part in developing and maintaining relationships with our supporters across the UK – raising awareness about the water and sanitation crisis. Thanks to our volunteer Speakers all over the country delivering inspirational talks and workshops to churches, schools, Rotary clubs and other community groups, we can change even more lives for good.

WaterAid would like our volunteer Speakers to:

- Give a minimum of **four talks or workshops** a year to a variety of community groups about the importance of everyone having access to clean water, decent toilets and good hygiene, while inspiring them to support us.
- Demonstrate our values (see below), including being considerate when representing WaterAid and always leaving others with a positive view of our organisation and the work that we do.
- Regularly liaising with us about planned talks and workshops.
- Generate new talk and workshop opportunities in your local community.
- Distribute our [paying in form](#) to audiences following a talk or workshop.
- Provide feedback on talks or workshops by completing the SurveyMonkey evaluation.
- Attend Speaker Network training and follow our volunteer guidance.
- Keep up to date with our key messages, resources, processes, fundraising initiatives and news at www.wateraid.org, in our Speaker e-newsletter and emails, and through our online resource site.
- Provide support to new Speakers in your local area and help them develop through our buddying process.
- Deliver a talk or workshop to celebrate our key days, including World Water Day, World Toilet Day, Menstrual Hygiene Day and Global Handwashing Day.

What makes a good Speaker?

- A passion and enthusiasm for public speaking. (Essential)
- A commitment to WaterAid's vision and mission. (Essential)
- The confidence to speak publicly to a diverse range of community groups, from schoolchildren to Rotarians. (Essential)
- An interest in fundraising, campaigning and volunteering to support international development. (Desirable)

What is in it for you?

- A sense of personal achievement being part of an influential, UK-wide network making an impact by promoting clean water, decent toilets and good hygiene for everyone everywhere by 2030.
- An opportunity to develop your public speaking skills and confidence through training, resources and experience.
- A way to learn more about international development.
- Reasonable expenses for travel to training and to talks may be covered.

WaterAid values

WaterAid's values provide a guiding philosophy, which drives our thoughts, words and actions.

Respect We treat everyone with dignity and respect and champion the rights and contribution of all to achieve a fairer world.

Accountability We are accountable to those whose lives we hope to see transformed, to those we work with and to those who support us.

Courage We are bold and inspiring in our actions and words, and uncompromising in our determination to pursue our mission.

Collaboration We work with others to maximise our impact, respecting diversity and difference in the pursuit of common goals.

Innovation We are creative and agile, always learning, and prepared to take risks to accelerate change.

Integrity We act with honesty and conviction and our actions are consistent with openness, equality and human rights.

Next steps?

If you are interested in becoming a WaterAid Speaker, here are the next steps:

1. Register your interest in [volunteering](#) for WaterAid online.
2. You will be emailed the application form to complete and return to WaterAid.
3. Undertake a 25-minute phone interview.
4. If successful, complete our training course.
5. Give talks for WaterAid and receive support from the WaterAid Team.



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“Undoubtedly the best thing about volunteering for WaterAid is the tremendous support and positive feedback that everyone that works at WaterAid gives to us volunteers.”

Elizabeth Sparrow, Speaker and recipient of the WaterAid President's Award 2017