

NORTH DEVON AND NORTH CORNWALL BRANCH
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SAMARITANS

Thank you for your interest in becoming a 'Friend' to our branch, which, as you can see in the letterhead above, covers the whole of North Devon and North Cornwall.

The two primary aims of our Friends Group are to raise vital funds that enable our listening volunteers to provide emotional support for anyone that is going through a crisis in their lives and are in despair or distress, and to raise public awareness of our work.

Our 'Friends' are highly prized and valuable members of the branch, and the ways that 'Friends' assist us in the smooth running of the branch are many and varied.

Fundraising by organising and running sponsored public events such as Fashion Shows, Activity Days (Abseiling, Climbing etc), Auctions and Balloon Races to name but a few. We are sure that you will have many more ideas and skills to offer Samaritans should you choose to become a 'Friend'.

'Friends' also assist us in raising public awareness of our work through such events as Carnivals, Agricultural Shows and targeted awareness days such as our event in Green Lanes Shopping Centre, Barnstaple on Saturday February 4th, as well as networking with other charities and organisations with the aim of raising our profile within these groups.

You may feel that you would rather offer your help to us by using your DIY, Gardening or Clerical skills within the branch where there is always something that needs to be done.

However you choose to offer your services to Samaritans you can be assured that you will receive a very warm welcome from all of our listening volunteers and existing 'Friends'. As we say in our advert it won't help you pay for next years holiday but it will enable you to share your knowledge and skills with other "Friends", meet new friends, have fun AND provide a vital service to your community.

Once again, thank you for your interest and we look forward to receiving your completed application form and meeting you in person very soon.

Kind regards

Chairman of Friends of Samaritans of North Devon & North Cornwall

Confidential
Application for Prospective 'Friends of Samaritans'

**Thank you for your interest in 'Friends of Samaritans'.
All answers to this application form will be treated in the strictest confidence.**

1 Full Name:
Address:

Postcode:

Home Tel (if any)	Work Tel (if convenient)	Mobile No
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Email Address <input type="text"/>		

2 Why have you applied to join 'Friends of Samaritans' now?
(If you have seen or heard an advertisement or mention on Radio, TV, Press, etc. please tell us when and where).

<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>

3 What skills do you feel that you could contribute to 'Friends of Samaritans' that would enhance their annual fundraising efforts for Samaritans? (Please enter as many as you wish).

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

4 Whilst this cannot be guaranteed, in which capacity would you **prefer** to be a 'Friend of Samaritans'? (please tick **one** of the following options).

Working behind the scenes <input type="checkbox"/>	Meeting the public <input type="checkbox"/>	I don't mind either <input type="checkbox"/>
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5 Have you ever been a member of a Branch? If so, which one? _____
Reasons for leaving?

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6 Please note that you will be required to attend regular 'Friends' group meetings (approx every 6 weeks).

7 Please give the names and addresses of **two** people (not related to you) whom we may ask for references. They don't have to be GPs, JPs or MPs - just people who know you well and can make a sound assessment of your qualities. Please get their consent first.

(a) Full Name:

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Address:

Postcode:

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(b) Full Name:

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Address:

Postcode:

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We thank you for your interest in our work and will contact you as soon as possible to discuss your application.

<p>Samaritans is committed to eliminating unjustifiable discrimination against anyone for any reason including their race, colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin, religion, sex or sexual orientation, working pattern, marital status, gender reassignment, disability, age, political opinion or family status.</p>

<p><i>Please note that under the terms of the Data Protection Act 1998 Samaritans have to inform you that the information you have provided here, and other information you may provide us with in the future, will be processed by the Samaritans Company and it will be used to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><i>I. Manage the volunteers resources of the Charity(ies).</i><i>II. Collate statistical data.</i> <p><i>It will not be disclosed to any other organisation.</i></p>
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