



## Search and Rescue Assistance in Disasters (SARAID) Recruitment of Non-Executive Trustee - Fundraising & Sponsorship

### About SARAID

SARAID is a small registered charity (UK Charity No.1101593) and non-governmental organisation established in 2003, dedicated to trying to save lives of victims of disasters, as well as relieving human suffering around the world, regardless of colour, creed, religion and political persuasion. All of SARAID's members are unpaid volunteers. SARAID's services are provided to any country in need of assistance completely free of charge, and we receive absolutely no Government funding. SARAID's motto is "We shall either find a way or make one"

**SARAID** works in two operational spheres:

**The International Rescue Team (IRT)** train and prepare for all international deployments as well as being available if called upon for UK response. We specialise in Urban Search and Rescue one of the most hazardous disciplines within Search and Rescue. We provide emergency disaster and humanitarian response in the immediate aftermath of natural disasters. Our team of dedicated, highly-trained volunteers are on standby 24/7, every single day of the year. IRT also work with countries to provide advice and training on how to cope in the initial 24 hours of the disaster. SARAID is registered with the UN International Search and Rescue Advisory Group and members of the European Association of Civil Protection Volunteer Teams.

**The Community Resilience Team (CRT)** works within the UK, currently in Somerset, Avon and South Gloucestershire counties including Bristol and Bath areas and is community focused. The CRT provides effective lowland search and rescue personnel as well as fully trained in flood barrier deployment, a Flood Response Team to support the emergency services, local authorities and communities as an additional trained resource with regional natural disasters or emergencies.

Our group of volunteers are drawn from all sections of the community both locally and nationally. Our members have a wide range of backgrounds and skillsets, but each shares a common purpose – to use their training to assist if called upon in times of community need both home and abroad.

## General and Key Responsibilities: Non-Executive Trustee - Fundraising and Sponsorship

Working with the other trustees and volunteers you will be responsible for;

1. To set a clear direction for SARAID.
2. To monitor and ensure that SARAID's governance and plans are carried out in an effective and timely manner.
3. To ensure that SARAID meets all its legal responsibilities as a registered UK charity.
4. Evaluate our current fundraising work and establish and implement a new fundraising programme for the organisation.
5. Provide support and assistance to the Fundraising Officers
6. Be responsible for creating a new fundraising structure and programme within the charity.
7. Be responsible lead for all corporate sponsorship proposals and presentations

### Required Commitment

The successful individual will be expected to attend 4 committee meetings per annum (these are held in person and online). In addition working with other trustees, officers and volunteers to deliver fundraising events/programmes throughout the year (*reasonable travel expenses for meetings can be claimed if required*)

### Initial Term

The initial term of appointment will be for two years and then extended by mutual agreement.

### To Apply

If selected, you will normally be interviewed within one month of application. The role will close when we find an individual to join us. As such, there is no specific closing date. Please forward a CV and a covering letter on how you feel you can make a transformational change to our organisation to [enquiries@saraid.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@saraid.org.uk) . If you have any questions or would like to have an informal discussion and to send all applications.

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*SARAID is an equal opportunities organisation. We are committed to providing equality of opportunities to all applicants. SARAID is committed to treating all applicants in the same manner irrespective of gender, marital status, family status, religious belief and/or political opinion, disability, age, race and/or ethnic origin and sexual orientation.*