

“The financial support offered was crucial in providing me the opportunity to compete internationally again whilst the online workshops helped massively in maintaining my mental health.”

Feedback from a young athlete receiving support from SportsAid in 2021

COULD YOU HELP SPORTSAID BY BECOMING A TRUSTEE?

Founded in 1976, SportsAid is a national charity that provides recognition and financial help to emerging young talented sports people – the next generation of British sporting heroes and heroines – often at a crucial time in their personal and sporting development. At the Tokyo 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games, 61% of Team GB and 73% ParalympicsGB had been supported by SportsAid.

We are looking to strengthen athlete representation at Board level, particularly with experience of para-sport and an understanding of the issues facing those with disabilities.



We are keen to hear from para-athletes, perhaps quite recently retired, as you will have a strong understanding of the demands and opportunities of performance sport; you will be able to clearly represent an athlete perspective; and you will be aware of current issues that athletes' may face.

You may not yet have experience in management or Board-member roles, but we can support you in this area.

This is a vital role directly connected to the purpose and passion of the charity's work and a rare opportunity to join a committed and driven team at an exciting time. It will require a desire to help young people, a keen interest in sport, strong interpersonal skills and a willingness to get stuck in. You can make a difference.

You will join the Board (currently made up of eight Trustees) in working with an effective executive team to support the charity's work, to plan for the future and to ensure the highest standards of integrity and good governance.

The minimum commitment as a Board member will be to attend four board meetings per year (typically held in London but with the facility to join remotely if necessary) plus one half-day induction session and one half-day strategy planning session; there will be an additional time commitment as you become involved with one of SportsAid's sub-committees and in supporting the promotional work of the charity. Board positions are unremunerated but reasonable travel expenses will be reimbursed.

SportsAid recognises that certain sections of the community have been affected by structural inequities and may be denied the opportunity to participate equally and fully in sport at all levels. SportsAid as an organisation believes our role is to remove the barriers that our most under-served, at risk and minoritised groups of young people experience when trying to access sport and physical activities.

SportsAid therefore positively welcomes, and seeks to achieve, diversity in our workforce and that all job applicants, volunteers and employees receive equal and fair treatment. We positively encourage applications from all candidates regardless of age, race, ethnicity, gender, disability, marriage and civil partnership status, gender identity, background, religion, faith, sexual orientation, maternity status, pregnancy, belief or nationality.

A role description is available on request from trustees@sportsaid.org.uk . Please apply by emailing your CV with an outline of why you are interested in helping SportsAid to trustees@sportsaid.org.uk by Monday 21st November 2022.

On receipt of your application you will be sent a confidential equal opportunities form which all applicants will be asked to complete.