



# CIVIL SERVICE

## Local

### VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY SOUTH WEST

<b>Location</b>	Various schools across Bristol, including Bridge Learning Campus (BS13), Orchard School (BS7), Henbury School (BS10), Bedminster Down (BS13), Ashton Park (BS3) and St Bernadette's (BS14)
<b>Organisation</b>	Ablaze is a Bristol based charity that aims to develop sustainable partnerships between businesses and schools. Through core and bespoke programmes it provides structured volunteering opportunities to raise aspiration, attainment and achievement in young people, prioritising disadvantaged areas of the city. More information on Ablaze can be found here <a href="http://www.ablazebristol.org">http://www.ablazebristol.org</a>
<b>Type of Opportunity</b>	<p>Breaking Limits is an innovative programme for teenage girls who are disengaging from school learning and may consequently under-perform at GCSE. The project takes the form of a modular programme which gives the girls the opportunity to challenge their own assumptions about themselves, to increase their confidence and self-esteem and perhaps to view their future career opportunities more positively.</p> <p>Ablaze are seeking female volunteers who can act as positive role models to the group – usually about 8 to 12 girls. You can draw on your life or work experiences to encourage a discussion around future aspirations and possible career options. Volunteers will be supervised/supported at all times while with the group.</p>
<b>Date(s)</b>	Sessions last around an hour. You can sign up for one session or a series of lectures, after discussing this with the coordinator.
<b>How to Apply</b>	<p>If you think that you can help or would like more information, contact :</p> <p>Volunteer Coordinator – Amanda Cranston Telephone – 07970 887381 E-mail: <a href="mailto:amanda.cranston@ablazebristol.org">amanda.cranston@ablazebristol.org</a></p>
<b>Your feedback sought</b>	If you do take up this opportunity, please let us know. We would also welcome feedback about your experience. You can e-mail Nita Murphy at <a href="mailto:nita.murphy@csresourcing.gsi.gov.uk">nita.murphy@csresourcing.gsi.gov.uk</a> with your comments.

**Don't forget that if you want to take up this opportunity in work time you must make sure it complies with your own Department's volunteering policy.**