

could the government be doing more to help?

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Young disabled people have the right to volunteer and this may require organisations to make reasonable adjustments to support them to do so.

In some circumstances the cost of making best practice solutions can be prohibitive for organisations meaning that discrimination against disabled people in volunteering can continue.

Leonard Cheshire and Scope are calling on the government to create an 'Access to Volunteering' fund to meet the costs of reasonable adjustments. This would involve the government making funding available to organisations to help meet the extra costs of involving disabled people as volunteers.

You can help to achieve equality in volunteering by writing to Anne McGuire MP, Minister for Disabled People, explaining how an 'Access to Volunteering' fund would make a difference to your organisation's ability to involve disabled people as volunteers.

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