

## **ADVERT - FEB 24**

**The role:** Collection Drivers (North East and Cumbria regions)

**Base:** GNAAS Trading Company, Langwathby, Cumbria. CA10 1NZ  
You will need to live within daily commuting distance of this base.

**Hours:** 37 hours per week, 5 days over 7 between 8am and 8pm. Hours will generally be 9-5 Monday to Friday but flexibility for weekend work is required as and when business needs require it.

We welcome job-share applications. Please state your work hour preferences on your application.

**Contract Type:** Permanent

**Salary:** £21,000 per annum

The Great North Air Ambulance Service (GNAAS) is a fast paced, growing organisation which operates two helicopter air ambulances alongside emergency response vehicles 365 days a year, across the North-East, North Yorkshire and Cumbria.

We are funded by public donations and needs to raise over £8m every year to maintain this life saving service in our region.

The charity's Trading Company, based at our Headquarters in Eaglescliffe, recycles used clothing, office supplies and household items. All its' profits are donated back into GNAAS, and it is the charity's single largest donor.

We're looking for talented retail drivers to join our Trading Company team. You'll be acting as an ambassador for GNAAS, increasing profitability through the collection and recycling of donations. You'll discover something new every day, whether it's a new high street, a new community network or a talent you never knew you had.

You'll also be surrounded by people who are as dedicated to saving lives as you are.

### **What will I be doing?**

- Working with the team to identify opportunities to generate quality donated goods.
- Ensuring effective stock flow by transferring goods between supporters and Headquarters.
- Helping to manage the movement and storage of stock and equipment.
- Using your customer service skills to make sure our customers and supporters feel welcome and appreciated.
- Supporting fundraising events including movement of stock and equipment.

### **What skills are we looking for?**

- Manual handling experience with the ability to work in a physically demanding environment.

- Comfort in completing paperwork correctly and managing your own workload in a busy environment.
- A full current clean driving licence and minimum of 2 years driving experience with the ability to drive safely and confidently, often in unfamiliar areas. For insurance purposes applicants must be aged over 21.
- The ability to communicate effectively with a diverse range of people.
- Works well as part of a team with a polite and courteous manner.

You will collect clothing and other recyclable items from members of the public, schools, communities, and businesses across Cumbria and the North East. The role will also involve warehouse duties including forklift operations, so flexibility is a must!

Whilst previous experience of working in a professional driving capacity and/or a forklift licence would be beneficial, this is not essential as training will be given. There is a substantial amount of travel involved in this role. It would be advantageous for applicants to have a sound geographical knowledge of the North East and Cumbria areas.

Each and every one of our employees contributes to our progress and is supporting our mission. We think that's impressive.

**Want to apply?** Please complete our online application form and tell us why you are a perfect fit for this position!

**Closing date for applications: Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

**Interview date:** Interviews to take place in February 2024.

We appreciate you taking the time to apply for this position. Due to the volume of applications that we are expecting, we are unable to respond to everyone. If you have not heard from us within two weeks of the closing date, unfortunately your application has not been successful on this occasion.

GNAAS is an equal opportunity employer that is committed to diversity and inclusion in the workplace.

We prohibit discrimination and harassment of any kind based on race, colour, sex, religion, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, genetic information, pregnancy, or any other protected characteristic.