

## RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS NOW

**Toynbee Hall** is a community organisation that pioneers ways to reduce poverty and disadvantage. Based in the East End of London, we work alongside people who live here, to tackle unfairness and make this a place where everyone has an equal chance to thrive. We take an asset based approach to our work, and believe everyone has something valuable to offer in the fight for a fairer London. What we learn from our work in London we use to influence change across the UK.

### **STORIES of '71: Celebrating East London's rich heritage and community links to Bangladesh's 1971 War of Independence**

To commemorate the 50th anniversary of Bangladesh's War of Independence and our local communities' connections to this history, we will be running a series of activities and conversations over the year spotlighting local people's stories and experiences of that time.

#### **About the role**

As part of this project, we are looking for motivated volunteers to get involved and support us in capturing these stories and histories. This may be translating submitted stories, researching our archives, supporting your communities to submit their stories or organising conversations with people involved in local activism in the 1970s.

#### **We are looking for people who may:**

- have an interest in exploring local and community heritage
- enjoy oral histories
- have language skills in Sylheti, Bangla, Somali or another language
- live locally to Toynbee Hall and want to get involved
- be part of the British Bangladeshi community

We are flexible about your time commitment, together agreeing your volunteer terms. As a volunteer, you will take part in a training day and will need to complete a volunteer agreement form.

This is an unpaid volunteer role. Where travel is required as part of this role, we will offer expenses.

If you want to volunteer on this project, please contact [Farha.bi@toynbeehall.org.uk](mailto:Farha.bi@toynbeehall.org.uk) to arrange an informal discussion.

*Have a story to share? Check out our story competition [www.toynbeehall.org.uk/storiesof71](http://www.toynbeehall.org.uk/storiesof71)*