



The Essex County FA Football Futures Programme

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Football. Volunteering. Leadership... The first step is here.



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Recruit - Retain - Progress - Develop - Reward

Young people are the future of our game

Sign up now and start your journey today...

What are the benefits?

- Receive Certificates for the voluntary hours you complete, helping to build portfolio of achievement
 - Support ECFA development team events including County futsal finals, England Football Day and many more
 - Build your experience to potentially become part of our ECFA Youth Council
 - Gain vital work experience with a National governing body, critical in any job application
 - Attend our Annual Football Futures Awards Ceremony where a host of awards will be presented
 - Be matched up with potential employers
- e.g. West Ham Foundation, Colchester United Football in the Community

Studying at College? Aged 16-21 years old?

Any young person that attends an Essex based college can sign up to the Football Futures Programme. Our Children and Young People Football Development Officer—Luke Hornsley works with a host of Essex Colleges' and runs various FA programmes including Mars Just Play and Team 19.

Luke works with each college to set up Student management teams that he mentors to deliver the various College football programmes. If you are at an Essex based College please get in touch with Luke at:
Tel: 01245 393076
Email: luke.hornsley@essexfa.com



TOP TIPS

Our Youth Council have come up with their top five tips making the most of your time on the programme:

- Make sure you log your hours, if you don't log them we won't know all the great work you are doing!
- Keep in touch, make sure you check your emails regularly to ensure you don't miss out on opportunities! If you change your email address...tell us!!
- Make contacts—speak to other young people at your club. Tell them about the Football Futures Programme!
- Help out as much as you can..... the more you do the better you'll get!!
- Take pride in what you do.....you are the future of our game

Who will be my main contact at Essex FA?

Your main point of contact for the Football Futures Programme will be your Group area Football Development Officer (see below). They will be able to support you with finding somewhere to volunteer and will keep you informed of any events in which they require some volunteer support.

Group Areas	Football Development Officer(s)	
Group 1 Braintree, Maldon, Colchester, Tendring	Lana Gillard 01245 393092 Lana.gillard@essexfa.com	Kevin Watts 01245 393092 Kevin.watts@essexfa.com
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Group 3 Basildon, Castlepoint, Thurrock, Rochford, Southend	Sean Harris 01245 393095 Sean.harris@essexfa.com	
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How can you get involved?

Are you a young person aged 14 - 21?

Its QUICK and EASY to sign up

Apply online today at - <http://goo.gl/forms/SvM1Zgn7VO>

Complete your application and you will receive a confirmation email with further instructions.

What Next?

Start volunteering and logging your hours online (you will be sent the online link once you sign up). Volunteering can be recorded under one or more of the six football futures themes set out below. There are some examples below each theme to show you what you might do:

- Coaching and working with teams.** e.g. Football Mash Up, grass-roots session, extra-curricular football session
- Running events** e.g. England Football Day, primary school festival
- Promoting the game** e.g. designing a club poster, maintaining a club website
- Refereeing** e.g. officiating after-school games or weekend youth football matches
- Running and developing the game** e.g. ECFA Youth Council, volunteer on league committee
- **Respect Ambassador**
e.g. ensuring codes of conduct are developed and signed

Success Stories so far...

The Football Futures Programme has been running for over 8 years and has helped many young people progress into paid employment.. Below are just a few of our success stories.

Rhys became involved in the programme back in 2012 after attending the county camp. He went on to attend the National Camp at St Georges Park and is now working full time as an Administrator at Essex FA.

'Since Joining the Football Futures programme I have become a more confident all round person. I have gained valuable experience and knowledge working with the ECFA team. The Football Futures programme has inspired me to set up my own youth team at Tiptree Jobservice. The Football Futures programme is there to educate, inspire and develop you into a motivated individual within football.'

Beth attend national camp back in 2012 after volunteering over 200 hours in grassroots football. She is now a fully fledged member of our Youth Council.

'The FF Programme has been part of my life for 5 years now and it has helped me grow as a person, help me become more confident and it has also given me direction in my career. Its given me so many different skills that you don't learn in a classroom, that look amazing on your CV and make you more employable. I have loved being a part of the programme and when the time comes I will miss it greatly!

Ellie Rae has been involved in the programme since 2010 and has successfully established a girls football team in Newham. She is our Youth Council Vice Chair and recently secured a job at the Velodrome.

'The programme inspired me to focus on football within community it helped me to build strong working relationships with other young leaders which lead to a great youth council forming in Essex. It also helped to grow from a young leader into a young coach developing girls football. I took my inspiration from the programme and became an inspiration myself with the help of the Football Futures Programme and ECFA'

The Football Futures Pathway

This pathway shows how you can progress through the programme

