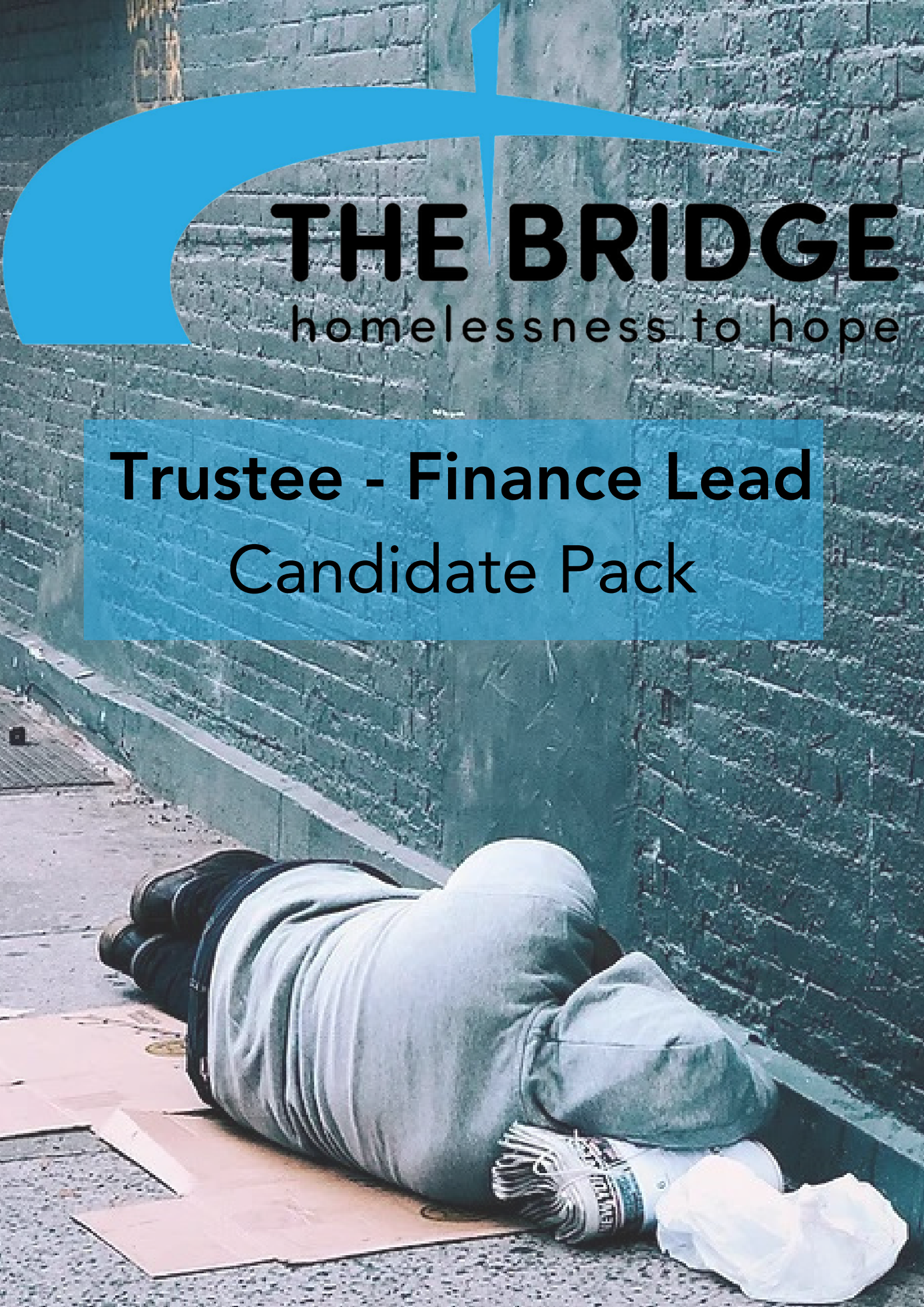


A photograph of a person sleeping on a sidewalk next to a brick wall. The person is wearing a grey hoodie and black pants, and is lying on a piece of cardboard. A newspaper and a white plastic bag are next to them. A large blue graphic element, resembling a stylized bridge or a large letter 'A', is overlaid on the top left of the image.

THE BRIDGE

homelessness to hope

**Trustee - Finance Lead
Candidate Pack**

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About Us

What We Do

The Bridge Homelessness to Hope, which has a strong Christian-ethos, began in 2009 with a mission to help people who are homeless in Leicester by providing them with hot food, drinks and most importantly, companionship.

Today, The Bridge's team and volunteers derive from many backgrounds and religions, all with one common goal: to help those who are on the street move from despair to hope.

The Bridge is an outreach to the lost and lonely of Leicester, to the homeless, and to those who just have nowhere to go and no one to turn to.

The Bridge runs a wellbeing centre that supports those who are hardest to reach by seeking to:

- Overcome the barriers to engagement encountered with more traditional service models.
- Be a place where guests can feel secure, trustful and not feel judged.
- Run services that are supplied by people who understand their challenges and are empathetic to them.

We have also recently become a supported housing provider, taking on 5 houses (21 bed spaces) over the last 13 months.

Once accommodated, The Bridge continues to provide intensive one-to-one support, helping tenants develop essential life skills such as cooking, shopping, and managing bills, alongside broader support like accessing services and improving wellbeing.

Crucially, this housing is not seen as a final step but part of a longer journey, with ongoing support aimed at helping individuals eventually move on into independent, long-term accommodation.



Vision

A time when there is no homelessness in Leicester and our guests have moved to a place of hope.



Mission

To provide a positive, warm, welcoming and safe space for all, where progress, companionship and collaboration can thrive.



Values

Non-judgmental, compassionate, respectful, consistent and reliable.

Our services are designed to support our guests in making long-term, sustainable improvements to their lives.

With our support and access to a range of therapeutic and empowering services, our guests are able to meet their own needs and have hope for a better future. To find out more about what we do, please visit www.BridgeLeicester.org

Role Description

We are looking for a Finance professional to bring their skills and expertise to our Board. It's an exciting time to join us, we have trebled our turnover over the last 7 years and for the financial year ending 30/4/26 turnover will top £500k for the first time. As the Finance Lead you will play a vital role on the Board and help to ensure that we continue to provide support to people who are homeless in Leicester.

Role Summary

The purpose of this role is to monitor the financial administration of The Bridge and advise the Board and CEO on financial matters, in line with best practice and in compliance with the governing document and legal requirements.

Key Responsibilities:

- To oversee, approve and present all yearly budgets, quarterly and annual accounts and other relevant financial statements.
- Review budgets, accounts and financial statements in advance of Board meetings.
- Present regular reports on the organisation's financial position.
- Advise fellow Trustees on a regular basis of the financial status of the charity, and where necessary, recommend action.
- Ensure the charity complies with legislative and regulatory requirements with regards to financial matters.
- Maintain sound financial management of the charity's resources.
- Regularly liaise with the CEO and Operations Manager regarding financial matters.

Alongside your fellow Trustees, you will also be responsible for the overall governance, administration and strategic direction of the charity, including developing its aims, objectives and goals in accordance with relevant organisation and legal guidelines.

What are we looking for?

- Qualified accountant.
- Skills to analyse proposals and examine their financial consequences.
- Ability to explain financial analysis clearly and make recommendations to the Board.
- Willingness to be available to staff to provide advice and guidance on financial matters.
- Good interpersonal, leadership and influencing skills to communicate effectively with the Board, management team and external stakeholders.
- Existing Trustee experience is desirable but not essential.

Having an interest in our cause is crucial for all Trustees. You will be committed to work we do but do not need to be knowledgeable as we will induct in this area.

Time Commitment and Location

- The Board meets bi-monthly.
- Meetings are currently held remotely.
- Annual AGM (in person).
- Ad hoc communication in between meetings, which will also be done remotely.
- The candidate will ideally be based in Leicester.

How To Apply

The TrusteeWorks Team at Reach Volunteering are supporting The Bridge with their Trustee recruitment. Applications should be made via TrusteeWorks.

To apply please send your CV/LinkedIn profile along with a supporting statement explaining why you are interested in the role, the skills and experience you will bring to the Board and what you would hope to get out of the role.

Please send applications and enquiries to:
trusteeworks@reachvolunteering.org.uk

Applications will be accepted until **Friday 28th August**. We will review applications throughout the process and will interview candidates on an ongoing basis. We reserve the right to close the application process before the deadline if we successfully fill the position.

