

# WANT TO BE A TOOLIGAN?



## THE TOOL LIBRARY

**The Edinburgh Tool Library is the first of its kind in the UK.** We lend our members tools for DIY, gardening, decorating and machine repair, so that they don't need to own them.

The Edinburgh Tool Library was established with three goals:

- 1 Reduce our members carbon footprint, and promote sharing as an alternative to consumption
- 2 Save all our members money, and give low income households access to equipment they otherwise couldn't afford
- 3 Create opportunities for unemployed young people with barriers to employment by pairing them with mentors

## TOOLS FOR LIFE PROGRAM

**The 'Tools for Life' program takes place at our workshop.**

Young 'trainees' will be involved in various activities under the supervision of mentors, such as:

- 1 Maintain, repair, and sharpen shop inventory to ensure that it all is in working condition
- 2 Help members find the tools they need to build their projects, whilst keeping the workshop in tip top shape
- 3 Demonstrate tools to our members
- 4 Build things for other charities and community groups
- 5 Create things to be sold to fund the programme in the future
- 6 Use the Tool Library database to track the tools we loan out



If you are aged 18-25, are unemployed, and have a barrier to work (e.g. long term unemployed, person with a conviction, mental health condition). We want to help you to build your confidence, and help you on your way to work. We are not interested in qualifications or trade skills, we want to know how committed you are to moving on to work, and what this opportunity would mean to you.



## WHAT DO YOU GET FROM TOOLS FOR LIFE?

- 1 Transferrable skills for employment
- 2 Support of your mentor, and the ETL team
- 3 Trades, cataloguing, and customer service skills
- 4 CV, vocational profiling, and the support of the whole tool library community when looking for a job

## WHAT NOW?

If you're interested in finding out more, please fill in the attached document and email it to [chris@edinburghtoollibrary.org.uk](mailto:chris@edinburghtoollibrary.org.uk) by June the 31st, and if we think you would be a good fit for the programme, we will be in touch the following week to arrange an informal chat.