

HEAD OF STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS



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Location: London

Make a Difference Every Day

For more than 100 years, the RAF Benevolent Fund has been supporting the RAF Family. We are a key partner in the Royal Air Force's mission to look after its people during and after service, ensuring that this service is valued, recognised, and people are supported even when uniforms are eventually shed. We are a national charity with international reach, delivering emotional, financial and practical support wherever and whenever it is needed. Each year, our vital services and support continued to help those serving, families, veterans, and the bereaved, in 30 other countries and in 2024 more than 64,000 people benefitted from the charity's work.

As an organisation, we encourage learning and development and there will be ample opportunity to learn more about the Royal Air Force, the broad impact of the Fund's work as well as developing your own skillset.

About the Role

We are looking for someone to lead the Fund's Strategic Partnerships function, developing and delivering a commercially minded, Social Value-driven partnership strategy across Defence, aerospace, engineering, technology and other aligned sectors. The postholder will secure and grow high-value, multi-year partnerships including commercial, sponsorship and Social Value opportunities that generate significant financial and organisational benefit for the RAF Family.

This role offers a rare opportunity to operate in one of the least competitive and highest-value partnership markets in UK fundraising. With Defence primes and major engineering and aerospace companies actively seeking Social Value and wellbeing partners, RAFBF is uniquely positioned to secure six- and seven-figure partnerships not typically accessible to other charities.

More than that, this is a chance to stand behind the people who stand behind the nation. Every partnership you create will translate directly into life-changing support for serving personnel, veterans and their families, from mental health and wellbeing programmes, to youth services like Airplay, to urgent practical and emotional help when families need it most.

The postholder will lead a new era of strategic collaboration, commercial innovation and sector influence, building partnerships that honour service, strengthen families and ensure no member of the RAF Family ever faces adversity alone.

Additional Information

- Must have the right to work in the UK.

How to Apply

Click [\[here\]](#) to submit your CV and a cover letter explaining why you're the perfect fit, including examples of how you meet the job profile.

Closing Date: Thursday 5th February 2026, 5:00pm

Interview Date: Likely to be week commencing 16th February 2026.

A copy of the Fund's Candidate Privacy Notice can be found on our [website](#). As an equal opportunities employer, the Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund is committed to the equal treatment of all current and prospective employees and does not condone discrimination on the basis of age, disability, sex, sexual orientation, pregnancy and maternity, race or ethnicity, religion or belief, gender identity, or marriage and civil partnership. The Fund takes safeguarding seriously, and appropriate background checks will be completed. You can find out more about our commitment to safeguarding on our [website](#).

The RAF Benevolent Fund follows Safer Recruitment practices as it strives to ensure that everyone who comes into contact with the Fund will be protected from harm. The successful candidate for this role will need to prove they have the right to work in the UK. We aspire to have a diverse and inclusive workplace and strongly encourage suitably qualified applicants from a wide range of backgrounds to apply and join the Fund.

The Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund is a Registered Charity (No. 1081009).



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