

## How do I find out more?

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# YOUR COUNTY NEEDS YOU

## SURREY *in the* GREAT WAR



**One hundred years ago Surrey was playing its part in the first global war between modern, industrial nations. It was a war which called for previously unthinkable sacrifices by the county's people, young and old, rich and poor. How did Surrey answer the call?**

- How did the Great War affect your family, town, village, school or workplace?
- How did communities meet the challenge of the ever-growing demands for men, money and arms?
- How did they keep food on the table and their loved ones serving overseas supplied?
- How did they respond to the arrival of soldiers from across the Empire, refugees from war-ravaged Belgium and enemy prisoners of war?
- How did they feel about the cause they were fighting for? Did some of them change their mind?
- How did they face the prospect of being bombed?
- How did they come to terms with their losses and with the war's terrible legacy?

Surrey Heritage, through its four year Heritage Lottery Funded project, 'Surrey in the Great War: a County Remembers,' calls you to enlist in finding answers to these and many other questions.



## **How Can You Serve?**

**We need volunteers throughout the county to:**

- Uncover the story of Surrey in the Great War by delving into contemporary newspapers, letters and other archive sources through which the voices of those who participated in this world-changing event can be heard
- Trawl through cupboards and attics for diaries and letters and capture the memories of family members to reveal the personal stories of those caught up in the conflict.
- Seek out local memorials to those who fell and discover the individuals behind the engraved names.
- Contribute to the project's new website which will capture the personal and community stories and make them accessible around the world.
- Attend events and roadshows around the county to understand how the four years of the Great War shaped the Surrey of today.

## **Who can Enlist?**

Unlike in 1914 there are no age and height restrictions! All we ask is that you have a desire to find out more about your county's history and the lives of your forebears who endured a war the impact of which is still evident.

Schools and colleges, community groups and local societies, experienced researchers and novices with a thirst to discover – all are welcome.

Join us and help create a worthy tribute to the courage, sacrifice and stoicism of Surrey's people a century ago.