



volunteer centre

Ionaid d'Oibrí Dhún Laoghaire - Rath an Duin

DÚNLAOGHAIRE RATHDOWN

Core functions of a Volunteer Centre-VCI quality standards

- Volunteer placement and support service
- Support to volunteer involving organisations
- Marketing and promoting volunteering
- Ensuring best practice within Volunteer Centres



Placement Service

organisations register their vacancy on our website

www.volunteerd Ireland.ie

Registered volunteers can view available vacancies on line and apply for positions that interest them



Why do people volunteer?

- To give something back
- To do something in the community
- Free time
- Develop new skills
- Interested in the issue/organisation
- For career change
- Meet new people
- Get out of the house
- For the fun



What can volunteers do?

- Youth leaders
- Working with animals
- Education and Literacy
- Visiting people in hospital
- Child care workers
- Mentors
- Web site developers
- Office workers
- Homework support
- Charity shop workers
- Fundraisers
- Befriending
- Hospital visits
- Sport with people with disabilities
- Gardeners
- Care-takers
- drivers
- Accounts/book-keeper
- Graphic designers
- Event volunteer



Volunteering opportunity

- Name of organisation
- Number of volunteers required
- Tasks involved
- Skills required
- Time commitment
- Training/induction
- Supervision
- Insurance/expenses paid

Volunteering is a 2 way process

Organisation Benefits;

- provide an extra range of services
- New skills and expertise
- Adds energy
- Adds diversity

Volunteer Benefits;

- New skills, part of a team, new people,
- Doing something worthwhile



Volunteers have rights

- A specific volunteer role
- Meaningful work to do
- Support and supervision
- Orientation and training
- Insurance
- A safe and healthy environment
- To make mistakes and learn from them
- Thanks and recognition
- Not to be discriminated against
- Not to do the work of paid staff
- To be able to say 'no' and to leave without feeling guilty

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