

CAREER CHANGE

Volunteer and gain new skills.....

How does volunteering help:

Integrating back into the workforce is not always an easy transition. There are many variables that can prevent a person from obtaining employment.

Supporting identified training needs and practical experience increases the chances of a person's ability to successfully obtain paid work.

Volunteering is globally recognised as a stepping stone into the work force. Each stone represents:

- ⇒ Stability and structure towards easing people into a working environment;
- ⇒ Allowing a person to be productive and demonstrate work performances without the pressures of a paid position; and
- ⇒ Identifying the persons level of competency and area of expertise will provide the person with the right tools and experience to sustain a paid position.



Who benefits:

Students

- ▶ Gain practical experience in the sector while studying.
- ▶ Volunteering in your chosen field would offset your studies.
- ▶ Gaining practical experience will strengthen your opportunities towards employment.
- ▶ Volunteering is recognisable and credible on your resume.

Seeking employment

Difficulties gaining employment....

- ▶ Volunteering is a pathway to employment.
- ▶ Employment opportunities within the aged care and disability sectors are increasing.
- ▶ Volunteering helps you to demonstrate your abilities and gain experience.

Changing career paths

- ▶ Helps identify the area in which you would like to work in.
- ▶ An opportunity to learn more about your chosen career decisions.
- ▶ Gain valuable experience without high demands.



Flexible Living
Volunteering Service

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What can we offer:

- ▶ Assist in offering you a suitable position with services to suit your individual needs.
- ▶ Provide various volunteer positions within a large geographical area.
- ▶ Offer on-going skills based training.
- ▶ Gateway into paid employment.
- ▶ Information and opportunities to gain qualifications.
- ▶ Support and mentoring.
- ▶ Opportunities to learn about organisational policies and procedures.

What are the benefits:

- ▶ Personal and professional rewards.
- ▶ Opportunity for you to learn new skills and enhance your existing skills.
- ▶ Build confidence and self-esteem in and out of the work force.
- ▶ Be guided by supervision to work independently.
- ▶ Opportunities in gaining suitable employment.
- ▶ Develop and/or enhance your ability to work as part of a team.
- ▶ Gaining an understanding of work ethics and requirements.
- ▶ Gaining practical skills within a working environment.
- ▶ Enjoy and have fun while learning.

Volunteer Training:

Our service provides opportunities for volunteers to access free quality based and educational training to build confidence, skills and knowledge, when working in the aged care and disability sector.

Our aim is to achieve training and/or learning outcomes to help volunteers gain satisfaction and personal growth from their volunteering experience.



About Us:

We are part of a national family of organisations (Community Services Group) collectively committed to supporting and enhancing the quality of life for the most vulnerable in our community.

Our service understands how to help volunteers gain satisfaction and personal growth from their volunteering experience; by matching and referring people to suitable volunteer positions within aged and disability organisations who support the aged and young people with disabilities continue to live as independently as possible in their community.

