



# VOLUNTEERING

## JOB SMART SERIES

Volunteer work offers an excellent experience that serves the community. Volunteering gives you the satisfaction of developing new skills, strengths and a sense of achievement. Most importantly volunteering can lead to paid employment as it gives you the opportunity to demonstrate employable attributes and skills.

### Benefits of Voluntary work:

- Develop skills that show your employable attributes for your resume. Increase industry understanding to assist work choices and decision-making about what work is right for you
- Gain valuable work experience. Establish or improve networking and industry contacts
- Demonstrate community involvement using voluntary work examples within an interview process
- Assist chances of securing paid work in a company as it becomes available.

### How do I find voluntary work?

- Be proactive and contact companies within your choice of work
- Ask if a company needs the support of a volunteer
- Identify voluntary work through company websites. Search for positions, locations and types of organisations using volunteer websites.

### VOLUNTEER WEBSITES:

#### Go Volunteer

[www.govolunteer.com.au](http://www.govolunteer.com.au)

Navigate volunteer positions on this site by entering organisation type and position type as well as location. The site provides information about what volunteering is, as well as the rights of a volunteer.

#### Volunteering Victoria

[volunteeringvictoria.org.au](http://volunteeringvictoria.org.au)

A one stop shop for all things volunteering in Victoria. Volunteer information is provided using a search by location and job position. Volunteer opportunities for students and youth.

#### My future

[www.myfuture.edu.au](http://www.myfuture.edu.au)

'My future' provides information for volunteers across Australia and also for Australians volunteering overseas. Follow links from the front page myfuture/sign up/career insight/volunteer

#### Seek Volunteer

[www.volunteer.com.au](http://www.volunteer.com.au)

Seek volunteer is an online job board site. Search for positions within a 10km radius of your area.

#### Volunteering Australia

[www.volunteeringaustralia.org](http://www.volunteeringaustralia.org)

Information and facts for volunteers regarding training and skills development, as well as articles/stories from organisations and people involved with volunteering both within Australia and overseas.

#### Victoria Volunteering

<http://volunteer.vic.gov.au>

Information for volunteers for positions, resource centres, web opportunities, news, events, emergency service volunteers and FAQ's.

**Student Services**

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## Other organisations which may offer volunteer positions:

### Department of Social Services

<https://www.dss.gov.au/settlement-and-multicultural-affairs/volunteer>

### Southern Migrant Resource Centre

<http://www.smrc.org.au/volunteers>

## YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY WEBSITES:

### MORNINGTON PENINSULA

[www.mornpen.vic.gov.au](http://www.mornpen.vic.gov.au)

Follow steps: Click on About-Us/Careers-Volunteering/Volunteer-for-the-Mornington-Peninsula-Shire

### FRANKSTON

[www.impactvolunteering.org.au/](http://www.impactvolunteering.org.au/)

An online volunteer matching service for the Frankston region

### DANDENONG

<http://www.greaterdandenong.com/document/8819/volunteering>

<http://gdvrs.org.au/> - A personalised service that is a joint initiative between South East Volunteers and the City of Greater Dandenong

### BERWICK and CRANBOURNE

<http://www.casey.vic.gov.au/community-services/volunteering> -

All about volunteering in the City of Casey and online matching service

### CARDINIA SHIRE

<https://www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/> - click on the jobs & volunteering icon and then search for volunteer opportunities

### BASS COAST

[www.basscoast.vic.gov.au](http://www.basscoast.vic.gov.au)

Type Volunteer into search engine to view all relevant volunteer opportunities in the region

**NOTE:** [www.askizzy.org.au](http://www.askizzy.org.au)

Click on the 'Finding Work' category and enter your postcode for volunteering opportunities in your area.