



Categories of Volunteering activities

Category	Type of work
New and featured opportunities	New and recently added opportunities from all categories brought together in one place so you can find them easily. Also featuring other opportunities we'd like to draw your attention to.
Time Limited Commitment	One-off and short-term "Project" opportunities.
Adult education	Wide-ranging opportunities including one-to-one literacy, English language classes for asylum seekers, educational programmes in museums and facilitating group work.
Animals	Volunteer together with your own animal in 'pet-facilitated therapy', assist with the care of abandoned animals, or undertake interpretative work at the zoo.
Arts, culture and media	Work in the field of amateur drama, become a tour guide in a library, produce or present your own radio show, or do anything else creative you would like to.
Campaigning and awareness raising	Marketing, public relations and hands-on campaigning on a range of issues, from health to environmentalism.
Children and young people	Lots of different vacancies including childminding, play-working, youth leading, working with young people at risk, educational programmes, children's rights, mentoring, homework clubs, the guide and scout movement, etc.
Fundraising	Whether it is for one day street collections or for help with ongoing fundraising strategies, hundreds of organisations would love to hear from you.
Health and disability	A variety of opportunities working with people who are ill or disabled, either mentally and physically (or both), including companionship, assisting with practical skills, recreational activities and complementary therapies.
Help lines	There are many volunteer-operated telephone help lines, dealing with issues as diverse as parenting, violence, mental health, consumer affairs, legal issues, etc.
Management	All voluntary and community organisations have a voluntary management committee or board of directors, and many are looking for people with particular talents, including legal, financial and other management skills.
Office-based work	From receptionists to administrative assistants and library workers to graphic designers, there are always opportunities here.
Older people	This includes befriending, assisting and entertaining older people in hospitals or clubs, as well as visiting them in their own homes.
Other social work	An interesting mix of working in the fields of homelessness, the prison service, asylum seekers, domestic violence, hospices, drugs, victim support, etc.
Practical work	From hairdressing to driving to gardening to maintenance to planting trees - practically anything!
Retail	This includes both traditional charity shops, as well as travelling stalls, fair trade establishments and coffee shops in museums and hospitals.
Sports and recreation	How about combining your love of sports, such as football or swimming, with your voluntary work?
Virtual Volunteering	Virtual Volunteering - Voluntary work completed, in whole or in part, over the internet, sometimes known as online volunteering or cyber service e.g. create, design or maintain a website; proof read; translate documents; submit articles; supply email answering service; research.