

ARE YOU YOUTH VOLUNTEER READY?

- DO YOU HAVE A YOUTH POLICY IN PLACE?**
Check you are following requirements under the Children's Act 2014. The Code of Ethics for Youth Work in Aotearoa New Zealand is also useful to help inform your practices. Does your volunteer agreement make provisions for youth volunteers?
- IS THERE SOMEONE IN YOUR ORGANISATION THAT RELATES WELL WITH YOUNGER PEOPLE THAT CAN BE THE VOLUNTEER ROLE POINT OF CONTACT? DO YOU HAVE OPTIONS FOR INSTANT MESSAGING?**
Do you have a current presence on social media, and are there multiple ways to contact your organisation clearly listed there? If directly messaging the page is an option, is there someone who will monitor this and ensure prompt and appropriate responses?
- DOES THE ROLE CONNECT PASSION WITH PURPOSE? ARE YOU ABLE TO SHOW THE VOLUNTEER THE DIFFERENCE THEY ARE MAKING?**
- DO YOU HAVE ROLES THAT COLLEGE STUDENTS COULD DO OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL HOURS?**
Some colleges have late days or study blocks that could fit a short volunteer task.
- DO YOU HAVE ROLES FOR TERTIARY STUDENTS DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS?**
E.g. a short-term project-based role that might relate to their study or a group/collaborative project.
- ACCESSIBILITY: WILL TRANSPORT BE A BARRIER TO GET TO THE VOLUNTEER ROLE?**





HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT ROLES THAT MIGHT SUIT THE SKILLS YOUNGER PEOPLE CAN OFFER?

Eg social media/marketing, event planning, design, physical capability, mobilising support from other youth/connecting with school groups/sports groups/youth groups, music/arts, tutoring, feedback on youth perspective for your operations.

ARE THERE OPTIONS FOR THE ROLE TO BE DONE WITH A FRIEND?

Can you make the role fun? Eg have a music playlist on, be creative, shared food, have some fun volunteer competitions.

IS THERE A GROUP VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY?

Some colleges have service/Community/Environmental groups or there are youth groups outside of school that would be keen to do an organised volunteer activity.

There might be a task students could do at lunchtime at their school eg:

- Helping with mailouts
- Making volunteer thankyou cards
- Carwash for community workers
- School collections for causes

ARE THERE AVENUES FOR INPUT FROM YOUTH AT LEADERSHIP LEVEL AND WORKING GROUPS?

DO YOU HAVE A WAY TO RECOGNISE THEIR CONTRIBUTION?

Certificate, support letter, awards event. This can be very helpful when applying for leadership roles, scholarships, first paid-jobs etc.

HAVE YOU SPOKEN TO VOLUNTEER KĀPITI?

We can help you to find volunteers and provide advice on all things volunteering - including support for rangatahi volunteering.



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