

SUPPORTED VOLUNTEERING

To get started, here are some things to think about:

- ROLES THAT MIGHT SUIT THE SKILLSET AND PERSPECTIVES THAT A SUPPORTED VOLUNTEER CAN OFFER**
New activities that could be added to the volunteering opportunities you currently offer or roles that could be broken into smaller tasks.
- DOES THE ROLE CONNECT PASSION WITH PURPOSE?**
Can you show the volunteer the difference they are making?
- IS THERE SOMEONE IN YOUR ORGANISATION WHO CAN BE A MAIN POINT OF CONTACT FOR THE SUPPORTED VOLUNTEER?**
This could be another volunteer who may enjoy being a 'buddy' to provide a volunteer with additional support if needed.
- ARE THERE OPTIONS FOR THE ROLE TO BE DONE WITH A FRIEND OR SUPPORT WORKER?**
High volume or repeat tasks that volunteers can do together, for example: preparing and delivering information mailouts, getting items ready for fundraising sales, raising money in street appeals or serving refreshments to social gatherings such as older people, mum & baby groups etc.
- COULD TRANSPORT BE A BARRIER TO A SUPPORTED VOLUNTEER?**
Transport can be shared with another volunteer, assigning a supported volunteer a temporary travel buddy to build familiarity with the route, or reworking a role so it can be done from another location or from home.
- ARE YOU ABLE TO OFFER FURTHER TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR A SUPPORTED VOLUNTEER?**
Learning new and different ways of doing things broadens the volunteering experience and helps to develop a sense of achievement and potential for growth. Having a progression path helps to maintain interest, develop new skills and improve confidence.
- DO YOU HAVE A WAY TO RECOGNISE THEIR VOLUNTEERING CONTRIBUTION?**
Celebrating the great contribution volunteers make is an important part of running a successful volunteering programme. Giving thank you cards or letters and hosting social events with volunteers are some impactful ways to acknowledge their efforts.



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HOW TO GET STARTED**

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