

Volunteer role description

Volunteer Child Minder – Randwick

Department	Red Cross Young Parents Program (YPP)
Availability	Ongoing weekly commitment of 6 month minimum during term time : Monday 10:20am to 12:30pm OR Tuesday 1:30pm to 2:30pm OR Thursday 10:20 to 1:30pm
Location	Randwick
Category	Working in our Services and Programs

Building an inclusive, diverse and active humanitarian movement based on voluntary service

Role purpose

The Red Cross Young Parents Program (YPP) is specifically designed for young people who are parenting with limited family or community support. The role of the Volunteer Child Minder is to provide respite child care for the babies and young children of the families within the Young Parents Program (YPP).

Role responsibilities

- Assist the YPP Child Development Coordinator in the setting up and packing up of the childcare space
- To care for infants and toddlers in a flexible, safe, and age appropriate approach under the direction of the YPP Child Development Coordinator
- Follow parents care instructions regarding feeding/sleeping/play routines
- Report any incidents in relation to the client's health, welfare or well being, to Red Cross staff
- Comply with YPP Code of Conduct as well as general Red Cross policies and procedures relating to volunteers
- Notify Red Cross in advance if unable to make a scheduled volunteer session

Knowledge, skills and experience

- Highly developed communication and interpersonal skills, inclusive of the ability to work with people from a wide range of backgrounds
- Experience of child minding, babysitting and/or an interest in child development of infants and toddlers
- At ease working independently or as part of a team under the direction of Red Cross staff and/or lead volunteers
- Willingness to participate in active play with toddlers and/or confidence nursing infants
- Ability to maintain professional boundaries and model respectful relationships at all times

Check requirements

- A National Criminal History Check prior to commencement and renewed every three years (Red Cross will arrange this)
- Working with Children's Check relevant to your state / territory location
- Reference check

Learning and development

- Complete Red Cross online learning modules as required
- Attend Red Cross Volunteer Induction, Program Training and ongoing training as required
- Attend scheduled volunteer meetings, a minimum of two per year

General conditions

We act always in accordance with the Australian Red Cross Code of Conduct and Child Protection Code of Conduct

We are a Child Safe organisation and all volunteers are required to comply with relevant State and Territory legislation requirements

We comply with the Red Cross Workplace Health and Safety management system

We demonstrate skill, knowledge and behaviour to work with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in a culturally respectful way

We may be required to assist the organisation on occasion, in times of national, state or local emergencies or major disasters

In all activities, our volunteers are guided by the Fundamental Principles of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement

Humanity

Impartiality

Neutrality

Independence

Voluntary Service

Unity

Universality
