





Volunteer Mentor

Community Justice Mentor - Blacktown

Department	Mentoring Programs
Availability	Flexible days 1-4 hours per week (flexible) 12 months
Location	Greater Sydney / Western Sydney
Category	Working in our Services and Programs

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

Role purpose

The Volunteer Mentor provides valuable mentoring support to men who have been in contact with the justice system to assist them to reconnect with the community and pursue positive lifestyles that minimise future risk of reoffending. Utilising a strengths based approach, the Volunteer Mentor will assist the participant to identify skills, goals and interests, and to build self-esteem through positive social connection.

Role responsibilities

- Provide mentoring support to young people and adults who have had contact with justice system
- Provide support towards achievement of any identified goals
- Provide support including attending appointments, supporting engagement with services and some transport
- Assist participants with opportunities to link to the community and activities in positive ways
- Regularly communicate and collaborate with Mentoring Programs Officer about participants being supported and provide information as required
- Maintain regular communication and engagement with participants
- Attend regular supervision and training as required

Knowledge, skills and experience

- Well-developed communication skills and people's skills
- Experience and/or interest and passion to work with people who are vulnerable and may have experienced complex lives
- Experience in the areas of training delivery, education, community services, coaching or mentoring is desirable
- Knowledge and understanding of issues affecting people who have been in contact with the justice system from a diverse range of backgrounds and environments

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Ability to support and interact with participants in a positive and non-judgemental way

Check requirements

- A National Criminal History Check prior to commencement and renewed every three years (Red Cross will arrange check and renewal)
- A Working with Children's Check is a mandatory requirement for this role
- Unrestricted Driver's License

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 and supervision as required

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

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