

Volunteer role description

Food Security Volunteer

Department	Community Engagement
Availability	Varied
Location	Central Coast
Category	Working in our Services and Programs

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

Role purpose

Food Security volunteers assist with the delivery of food literacy programs such as FoodREDi and are responsible for assisting with Breakfast Club operations as required. Volunteers supervise all children who attend Breakfast Club and offer positive interaction in a friendly, safe environment for attendees to eat breakfast.

Volunteers encourage and teach positive nutrition, living and social skills and attend to students without making judgement of individual circumstances or taking on the role of parents, teachers or professionals.

Role responsibilities

- Follow Child protection policies and regulations.
- Act appropriately and be a positive role model for students and participants.
- Encourage the development of healthy eating behaviours.
- Supervise students and maintain an orderly environment in the Breakfast Club, ensuring procedures are adhered to (i.e. students sign in, wash hands, eat cereal before toast, students clean up, etc).
- Basic food preparation for food literacy programs, such as cutting fruit or making sandwiches.
- Assist with operations of Good Start Breakfast Club and Food Literacy programs including the setting and packing up.
- Maintain a high level of hygiene standards.
- Report any accidents or injuries (either to yourself or to the students) to the school contact/ convener as soon as possible.
- Assist with administration, planning and logistics of delivering food literacy programs.

Knowledge, skills and experience

- Ability to listen effectively and communicate with people from a wide range of ages and backgrounds.

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- Ability to work within the Food Security guidelines, policies and principles of Red Cross.
 - Ability to work in a team environment.
 - Ability to behave in a positive, calm, friendly and non-judgemental manner.
 - Interest to work across a broad range of Food Security programs.
 - General office administration, basic proficiency in MS Office or similar software.
 - Proven highly developed organisational and time management skills (Desirable).
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Check requirements

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

We act always in accordance with the Australian Red Cross Ethical Framework 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
