

THINGS TO KNOW BEFORE YOU START TO VOLUNTEER

Your Role



Be clear about your volunteering role. Know where and when you are volunteering. Ask for a formal or informal agreement about your volunteering.

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Expenses



Ask if your volunteer organisation covers any of your expenses e.g travel or lunch. Consider what it might cost you to take up the role.

What do they provide?



Find out whether the volunteer organisation provide references for future volunteer/employment roles. As a volunteer are you provided with tools to use during volunteering?

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Diversity



You will meet and work with people from many different backgrounds to you. Share your culture. Be curious about other people's culture. Help each other to understand different experiences and needs.

Enjoy



Enjoy your volunteering experience, be kind to others and develop your expertise. If, however, you find that a role is not good for you, your volunteer centre contact can help you to find a more suitable role.

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