

June 2021 Newsletter

A snapshot of our latest volunteering opportunities. See the full list on www.volunteerclare.ie

Retail Assistant - Clare Haven Horizons – Charity Fashion & Furniture Home Store

What's Involved

Clare Haven Services provide support, information and refuge accommodation to women and their children experiencing Domestic Violence/Abuse.

Their Charity Homestore Clare Haven Horizons welcomed their customers and volunteers following Covid 19. They are currently looking for volunteers to join their team and the tasks would be as follows.

Accepting and assisting with receipt of donations (clothes, bric a brac, books)

Sorting donations and ensuring all items are suitable for sale

Separating un-saleable items for recycling.

Pricing and using the tagging gun to attach tags to clothes.

Ensuring the shop and coffee dock are kept clean & tidy at all times.

Ensuring stock is displayed correctly on shelves, rails and display areas.

Providing excellent customer service in a friendly and welcoming manner.

Using sales till and handling money

Ensuring stock room is kept clean and tidy in line with Health & Safety standards

They are looking for volunteers from Monday - Saturday on a 3 hourly basis from 10am to 5pm. Volunteers would work in pairs at all times. Parking is free and there is tea/coffee making facilities.

NB All volunteers must be prepared to comply with all national guidelines and protocols as well as the completion of the Covid 19 return to volunteer questionnaire. An induction training will be provided to all new and existing volunteers on the Covid 19 business response plan.

If you have 3 hours a week to spare and are interested in any of the above OR if you are a student and would like work experience please contact Dolores on 087 361 2119 or dolores@volunteerclare.ie

National Council For The Blind Charity Shop – Kilrush

What's Involved

The National Council for the Blind have re opened their charity shop in Kilrush and are delighted to welcome everybody back. This shop is key to generating funds in order to support people in the community.

This is a very busy shop based in the heart of Kilrush town. The shop is open from Monday to Saturday and they are currently looking for volunteers to take on a 2 hour shift on any of the following days:- Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday morning or Saturday afternoon.

There are many opportunities within the shop from sorting donations and recycling to manning the till and dealing with customer requests.

They are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to join the team to help with the following tasks:

- Working on the shop floor and sorting room
- Maintaining shop floor standards
- Serving and interacting with customers.
- Hanging, tagging and steaming clothes
- Creating window displays.

If this is something of interest to you, please contact Dolores on 087 361 2119 or dolores@volunteerclare.ie

Delivery Drivers – Irish Wheelchair Association Charity Shop.

What's Involved

The Irish Wheelchair Association is looking for volunteer delivery drivers with a clean B driving licence to support their charity shop.

The driver will be responsible for the collection & delivery of furniture donations ie tables, chairs, 3 piece suits, lamps and soft furnishings.

The role are as follows:-

- Loading, transporting, and delivering items to customers throughout the county in a safe, timely manner.
- Reviewing orders before and after delivery to ensure that orders are complete.
- Assisting with loading and unloading items from vehicles.
- Accepting payment for delivered items

Providing excellent customer service,
Adhering to assigned routes and following time schedules.
Abiding by all transportation laws and maintaining a safe driving record.

This role takes place any day from Monday to Friday and drivers are required from 10am to 2pm OR 1pm to 5pm.

The Driver will be accompanied at all times for support and will asked to under the manual handling training.

If you hold a B Driving Licence and have availability on any day during the week, please contact Dolores on 087 361 2119 or dolores@volunteerclare.ie

Community Garden Volunteer – Kilrush

What's Involved

The Community Garden is based in on the Kilkee Rd in Kilrush. It is a beautiful space with gardens, polytunnels, allotments, geodesic dome, native beehives, native orchard and a hen coup. It also offers a beautiful view down to the Shannon Estuary and Scattery Island.

The Community Garden projects are a great way for like minded gardeners or people that have an interest in growing any type of produce to get together and support each other.

It offers support to local groups offering Gardening courses and allocation of allotments etc.

Due to the demand they are now looking for volunteers to support the growers in the garden with the following tasks:

- General maintenance of the garden
- Weeding, watering & general upkeep
- Working with the allotment volunteers to maintain a sustainable garden.
- Ensure the area is kept manageable

The volunteer would be invited to avail of the Gardening Courses as well as the organised Open Days.

If you have an interest in gardening and are keen to get involved in this type of outdoor project, please contact dolores, on 087 361 2119 or email dolores@volunteerclare.ie

Administrator – Clare Haven Horizons

Clare Haven Horizons are currently looking for an administrator which would be based at their office in the Gort Road Business Park. The volunteer is required for one morning or afternoon any day from Monday to Friday and would need to carry out the following tasks:-

Answering the phone and dealing with queries.
Dealing with requests for donations and keeping a log.
Following up on customer requests.
Be familiar with Word & Excel.
Liaise with driver with regard to collections & deliveries of furniture.
Maintain inventory log of furniture donations.

NB It must be noted that all volunteers must adhere to the guidelines put in place in line with Covid 19, training and PPE will be provided.

If you have a good telephone manner and would like to make a difference to this organisation, please contact Dolores at The Clare Volunteer Centre on 087 361 2119 or dolores@volunteerclare.ie

Community Bus Drivers – Red Cross Clare Branch

The Irish Red Cross is one of the largest humanitarian organisations in the world. Their services range from responding in times of crisis, to helping the most vulnerable in our communities. They offer a range of community services and supports including therapeutic hand care and skin camouflage services; handbooks for voluntary carers; and community visitations. They also provide First Aid cover to numerous events around the country every week ranging from concerts to sports events to community festivals.

The Clare Branch of the Irish Red Cross is supporting the community of County Clare and has been very active throughout Covid 19. It has provided essential transport to and from healthcare facilities locally and all over Ireland. In order to continue with this level of service they are currently looking for Drivers as well as Drivers Assistants to join their panel.

The details are as follows:-

The volunteer driver must be at least 25 years of age.
A Full Clean B Driving Licence is essential
Volunteers must undergo Garda Vetting
The trips to be carried out vary from local appointments to trips to Galway, Cork or Dublin but volunteers can opt for trips to suit.
Volunteers will be offered manual handling training as well as child protection training.

If you have availability at this time and would like to get involved with this Organisation please contact Dolores on 087 361 2119 or dolores@volunteerclare.ie

Online Community Calendar – Clare Volunteer Centre

During this pandemic many of our Organisations have embraced the different online platforms. This is to continue to engage and keep people both informed and entertained.

The Clare Volunteer Centre has created an online community calendar which gives details of upcoming events that may be of interest to volunteers, community & voluntary organisations as well as agencies.

This calendar is now on our website and <https://www.volunteerclare.ie/community-events/> and our social media pages. Content is uploaded on a continual basis please feel free to check it out and share it with others.

Please be advised that due to Covid 19 we are not based in the office at the Kilrush Road at present. We are working remotely and can be contacted on 087 361 2119.

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