October 2022 Newsletter

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

Shake A Bucket for The Irish Guide Dogs – Ennis

What's Involved

The Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind are holding a fundraiser on Friday 14th Oct 2022 at Barry Lynchs Centra on the Gort Road Ennis.

The proceeds from this fundraising appeal go directly towards training more dogs to increase the level of service already provided within the community.

They are looking for volunteers for one hour on Friday 14th at any time during the day from 10am to 6pm 2022 outside of the Centra Shop.

All volunteers will work in pairs where possible. If you have availability at any stage on Friday 14th in Ennis please contact Dolores on 065 68 45517 OR 087 361 2119 or dolores@volunteerclare.ie

Warehouse Personnel – Shoebox Appeal Ennis based

What's Involved

The Shoe Box appeal is back in action for 2022. This project will commence on the 7th November at a location in Ennis Town and it will be all hands on deck until the 23rd Nov when the lorry will depart Ennis en route to Eastern Europe.

The roles based in the Warehouse will be carried from 7th Nov from Monday to Friday the times are 10am to 12pm and again in the evening from 7pm to 9pm.

There are various roles required in the warehouse from off loading boxes in the goods in area to moving the boxes through the various stages.

The duties would be as follows:-

Off loading shoe boxes from cars at the drop off point. Moving the boxes from assembly right through to packing. Operating various QC checks

Rewrapping of boxes where necessary.

Once the shoeboxes have been packed all cartons need to be loaded onto the shipment.

This is a great environment working alongside other volunteers keen to make a difference in a child's life over Christmas.

Volunteers under the age of 18 will be asked to fill out an application form and a signature for parental consent will be required.

If you have 2 hours to spare from the 7th November and are happy to help over a 2 week period please contact Dolores at The Clare Volunteer Centre on 065 68 45517 or email dolores@volunteerclare.ie

Accountancy Support - Feakle

What's Involved

The Wellness Centre in Feakle is currently looking for some Accountancy support to ensure that the books are kept up to date and all relevant updates are carried out.

The Accountant will carry out the following:-

Receive all relevant year data from the Centre Manager
Post all entries to the relevant database
Complete set of end of year accounts
Deal with the relevant CRO Submissions
Ensure the VAT return is completed
Arrange for sign off

This is role that can be carried out remotely with quarterly meetings arranged with the Centre Manager.

If you have an Accountancy qualification up to this level and can assist 2 hours a week with the Wellness Centre please contact Dolores 065 68 45517 or dolores@volunteerclare.ie

Transport Coordinator – Ennis

What's Involved

Enable Ireland Adult Services in Clare, operates from a Centre in Clonroad Business Park and provides services to 20 people from 18 years upwards. The Adult Day service allows the service users the opportunity to engage in a wide range of programmes to include rehabilitative training as well as programmes to achieve maximum choice and inclusion in their local community.

They are currently looking for a volunteer to coordinate the transport to support this service.

The Transport Coordinator will carry out the following tasks:-

Co-ordinating the bus runs which is used to transport service users to and from home to the Centre or to their training.

Updating and maintaining the weekly rota and printing for the drivers.

Arranging booking and scheduling of bus NCT's

Booking and scheduling busses for repairs and maintenance

Ensuring all vehicles motor tax, insurance and fuel cards are in place and up to date.

Managing the stock control of all PPE suppliers for all busses.

This role is for one morning or afternoon a week to be based at their location in Ennis.

The volunteer ideally should have some experience of administration as well as good communication skills.

If this is something of interest, please contact Dolores on 065 68 45517 or email dolores@volunteerclare.ie

Youth Hub Leader – Newmarket On Fergus

The Clare Youth Service is an integrated Service committed to using all elements to support the best possible outcomes for young people:

This service exists to serve county Clare's young people aged 12 -25, by providing information on rights and entitlements; by representing youth interests & providing education and training;-

They are currently looking for volunteer leaders to get involved at their HUB in Newmarket On Fergus.

The role would be to assist the youth worker in facilitating a drop in space for young people aged between 12-18 in the Traderee Youth Space on a Friday evening.

There are 2 sessions that take place on a Friday evening and the volunteer can opt for either one

12 to 14 years is from 5.30pm-7.30pm 15 to 18 years is from 8pm-9.30pm

The tasks would be as follows:-

Assisting the youth worker in engaging young people in conversations that are important to them.

Assisting the youth worker in the facilitation of activities in the youth space Get to know the members, their interests, talents and hopes and create a safe, enjoyable and trusting atmosphere in the space.

Follow Clare Youth Service policies and procedures for good practice and child protection in the space.

Clare Youth Service invests in their volunteers and offer Induction Training,

Development Education Training and Child Protection Training

If working with young people is of interest to you and you have 3 hours a week to spare to add value to this group. Please contact Dolores at The Clare Volunteer Centre on 065 68 45517 or dolores@volunteerclare.ie

Bingo Caller - Lisdoonvarna

What's Involved

Lisdoonvarna Failte CLG hosts Bingo in the Pavilion Town Hall in Lisdoonvarna as well as Online every Thursday evening from 8pm to 10.15pm. This has been a great success with the online really taking off during Covid 19. All funds raised go towards the continued upkeep & maintenance of the community facilities.

They are now looking for additional Bingo Callers to join the team and it will operate on a rota basis with the volunteer carrying out one duty per month.

The Bingo Caller will carry out the following:-

Meet & Greet the players using the online zoom
Operate the bingo cards using the link
Call the numbers clearly and manage the process speaking clearly
There are 10 games in total including a Jackpot game
Manage the interval half way through the evening for 10 minutes
Watch for the various responses (ie check) both in the Hall and Online
Call back the numbers to check for winners.

The volunteer would need to be confident on Zoom and have fluent English.

The volunteer will be fully inducted and included in the training provided to support this role and included in the rota

If you are interested in this type of role and have availability on a Thursday night in Lisdoonvarna, please contact Dolores on 065 68 45517 or email dolores@volunteerclare.ie

Coffee Mornings in Lisdoonvarna

What's Involved

Lisdoonvarna Failte are holding weekly coffee mornings at the Pavillion on a Friday morning from 11am to 1pm.

They are using this time to work on their Quilt which is a very enjoyable project up and running at this time. They are looking for volunteers that have an interest in sewing to get involve in the Quilt OR volunteers keen to bake goods or make tea/coffee all with a smile and plenty of chat .

The main aim is to create a warm and enjoyable space to integrate local people with people from other ethnic communities.

If you are available on a Friday morning and would like to get involved with this group please contact Dolores on 065 68 45517 or email dolores@volunteerclare.ie

Girl Guide Leader - Ennis

What's Involved

The Irish Girl Guides is a uniquely girl-only, active and dynamic organisation.

The Ennis group of The Girls Guides are currently looking for additional leaders to join their group. This group meet on one evening a week (Wednesday) for 1 hour at a location in Ennis, They offer a varied, and exciting programme for girls aged 5 - 7 years, with a strong emphasis on the outdoors, community responsibility, and teamwork

The volunteer Ladybirds would be involved in assisting with Crafts, Badge Work Programmes as well as days out.

All new Ladybird leaders will be welcomed by the group and fully supported at all times

If you enjoy working with children and are available on a Wed evening from 6pm to 7pm please contact dolores, on 065 68 45517 or email dolores@volunteerclare.ie

English Conversation Support – Shannon & Bunratty

What's Involved

The Shannon & Bunratty branch of Failte Isteach have recently welcomed groups of displaced people from Ukraine to their network. They are now providing hubs where people get to improve their spoken English. They have 2 / 3 outlets already in Shannon and 1 outlet in Bunratty to date .

They are looking for volunteers with or without teaching experience to spend some time interacting with groups to gain experience with the English language.

Classes and informal groups are now face to face with an online facility coming onboard shortly.

All volunteers will receive the bespoke training from Failte Isteach which is held online for one evening. They will then hold a class of up to 4 people along with another trained member for support.

