

Resource Sheet



Volunteering

This resource sheet provides signposts to a selection of the information and material on offer to those responsible for engaging and/or managing volunteers.

Some organisations request a contribution towards the costs of transport, accommodation and food from participants to take part in their volunteer programs as part of the funding of their program. Others cover basic costs and expenses. Please check the terms and conditions carefully before signing a contract.

If you are interested in volunteering placements see also the People In Aid Resource Sheet on International Recruitment as some of the

organisations offer both paid and volunteer opportunities.

The list is not exhaustive and People In Aid does not recommend specific websites, publications or organisations offering services or support. Every reasonable effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the material offered, however, we cannot be held responsible for any adverse outcome of using it or engaging the services of external agencies. All contact details are correct as of May 2007

Organisation	Website	Specialist Area
Australian volunteers international	http://www.australianvolunteers.com	Australian Volunteers International (AVI) recruits volunteers to share skills and build relationships with people of developing communities.
Charity Days	http://www.ukcharitydays.co.uk	UK based trainers offering pro bono training days to charities to help training budgets go further
Do-it	http://www.do-it.org.uk	National database of volunteering opportunities in the UK. Also has a page on volunteering internationally.
Fredskorpset	http://www.fredskorpset.no/templates/Page_882.aspx	FK Norway (Fredskorpset) arranges reciprocal exchanges of personnel between organisations in Norway and developing countries.
Habitat for Humanity	http://www.habitatforhumanity.org.uk/inv_gv.htm	Offers the Global Village international volunteering programme. Offers volunteer placements to work with people around the world to help them build simple, decent homes.
Health Care Volunteer	http://www.healthcarevolunteer.com	A free non-profit portal that connects health professionals to volunteering opportunities globally
Idealist.org	http://www.idealist.org/career/morejobs.html	Action without Borders site promoting volunteer and career opportunities globally.
Idealist.org Action without borders	http://www.idealist.org/tools/recruiting.html	Offers resources for professionals who manage volunteers and interns, but may be of use to people seeking volunteer opportunities as well. Also has a vacancy board for those wishing to volunteer.

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Idealistas.org	South American focus – in Spanish and Portuguese http://www.idealistas.org	
International FORUM on Development Service	International FORUM on Development Service is a network of organisations engaged in international volunteering and personnel exchange. FORUM aims to share information, develop best practice and enhance co-operation between its members. FORUM's members include both non-governmental (NGO) and state organisations which work through over 12,000 volunteer development workers in more than 100 developing countries http://www.forum-ids.org	
International Center for Equal Healthcare Access	Offers medical and non-medical volunteer placements. http://www.iceha.org/volunteers	
NSLC	USA focused guide to volunteering. http://www.servicelearning.org/static/link/pages/284.htm	
Reach	Recruits and supports people with managerial, professional, business and technical experience and matches them with part-time voluntary roles throughout the UK http://www.reach-online.org.uk	
Service leader.org: for volunteers and managers	Wide ranging advice and tips for organisations considering working with volunteers and for those wishing to volunteer. Much is focused on volunteering in the USA but there is an international section. http://www.serviceleader.org/new/managers/index.php	
Timebank	UK site which connects individuals with organisations seeking volunteers. Mainly UK based opportunities. http://www.timebank.org.uk	
United Planet	Both skilled and unskilled volunteers of all ages and nationalities are invited to join from 1-52 weeks in 50 countries worldwide http://www.unitedplanet.org	
VolResource	Information for voluntary and community organisations http://www.volresource.org.uk/briefs/volunteer.htm	
VSO	Volunteer placements, usually for two years, on development projects for those with skills to offer/transfer. http://www.vso.org.uk	
Workforce Hub	NCVO supported site containing information for UK based organisations on attracting, develop and keep the staff and volunteers you need. http://www.voluntarysectorskills.org.uk	
Workforce Hub	Standards for Managing Volunteers http://www.ukworkforcehub.org.uk/DisplayPage.asp?pageid=11177	
Working Abroad	Information for those wishing to volunteer, including volunteer opportunities and links to other sites with volunteering vacancies. http://www.workingabroad.com	