

VAST - Reaching Out For Volunteers



VAST at UNSW Volunteer Expo!

This is the second year that VAST attended the UNSW Volunteer Expo.

This event attracted 461 students interested in volunteering. VAST took appointments for interviews on the spot and delivered information to more than 100 potential volunteers interested in working in the local area. Interviews are now taking place and suitable volunteers are being referred to HACC services.

If you have vacancies please contact Vaishali Shah on 9349 8200.

NEW Weekly Information Sessions for Volunteers

From August 2009 all people interested in searching volunteer work through VAST are requested to attend an information session where they learn the basics of volunteering in Australia and within HACC services.

After they have attended this information session they are interviewed and later referred to volunteer for HACC services. The information sessions were introduced to clearly show volunteers what the Formal Volunteering concept involves and what is required from them in terms of commitment and accountability.

If you would like to comment on this or require more information please contact us on vast@jnc.org.au

Review of the National Volunteering Standards – Update:



The first phase of the current review of the National Standards to Manage Volunteers has been completed.

Go to www.volunteeringaustralia.org

VAST at Randwick Council Volunteer Information Session!

VAST was invited to deliver an information session to potential volunteers at the Randwick Council Volunteer Expo. This event took place on the 7th October at the Bowen Library.

During this event people from the community interested in becoming volunteers could talk directly to different community organisations recruiting volunteers. VAST was there promoting volunteering and taking appointments for interviews on the spot.

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Personal Accident (Volunteer) Insurance Requirements – REMINDER!

Please remember that VAST only refers volunteers to organisations that provide Personal Accident Insurance for Volunteers. Please note that Public Liability Insurance is different to Personal Accident Insurance. Public Liability insurance covers the costs and compensation to be paid by your organisation if you are sued by someone.

Personal Accident (Volunteers) insurance pays an amount to help a volunteer cover their costs while they are recovering if they are hurt when volunteering for you. It can also provide single payment for permanent disability or death.

Please note that if you are interested in placing a volunteer vacancy with VAST you need to fill in our Vacancy Form which requires you to specify if your organisation offers Volunteer Insurance to volunteers. To request a Vacancy Form please contact us on vast@jnc.org.au or 9349 8200.

To know more about Volunteer Insurance please go to: www.ncoss.org.au/projects/insurance/downloads

Some Upcoming VAST Training!

Time Management - 29th October
Managing Operational Plans - 4th & 5th November

Go to <http://www.jnc.org.au/JNCPubs.htm#VASTTraining> to download VAST Training Calendar, course overviews and booking form.

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