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VOLUNTEERING

OARS COMMUNITY TRASITIONS

Vision:

**Strengthening communities by
reducing crime and its
impact.**

Mission:

**We are a non government
community organisation that values our
clients and their diversity. We are
dedicated to the provision of excellent
services for people involved in, affected
by, or at risk of being drawn into the
criminal justice system.**

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING FOR OARS COMMUNITY TRANSITIONS

***This brochure outlines our Volunteer
Program and how you can apply***

Volunteering is vital to the overall aims of OARS Community Transitions.

At OARS Community Transitions Volunteers are valued for their input in assisting in the development, participation and delivery of support services for offenders, individuals at risk and their families and in fundraising activities.

OARS Community Transitions Volunteers provide invaluable services across the organisation in the following program areas:

- Prison Visitor Canteens.
- Yatala Family Centre.
- Emergency Assistance & Budget Counselling.
- Clerical Support.
- Accommodation Services.
- Christmas Toy Program.
- Opportunity Shops.
- Bookshop.
- Consumer Advisory Group.

OARS Community Transitions committed to continuous quality improvement and capacity building to ensure that we provide exemplary services for people at risk of offending due to complex needs and co morbidity.

Why volunteer?

- While OARS Community Transitions benefits from volunteers' invaluable contributions, the volunteers also benefit.

Volunteers can benefit directly from their involvement through:

- Assisting and contributing to the community.
- Working in a team, developing new skills and sharing knowledge.
- Opening up new social and work-related networks.
- Increasing confidence and self-esteem.
- Obtaining experience and create a pathway to employment within the community.

Volunteers' Rights

OARS Community Transitions is committed to providing a quality volunteer program that fosters a feeling of inclusiveness. Volunteers have the right to:

- Appropriate insurance cover.
- Be treated with respect.
- Be provided with a safe work environment with the appropriate tools/equipment.
- Receive support in terms of day to day information and regular supervision.
- Be included and involved in staff communication, meetings and training.
- Receive positive recognition.
- To have concerns addressed.
- Not be discriminated against, harassed or victimised.