

Volunteering

Mt Gambier Community Centre

ac.care is embarking on some exciting new initiatives and we are seeking dedicated volunteers from all walks of life with diverse skill sets to join us in providing *opportunities for life for rural people*.

Community Mentors

ac.care has identified a need to provide an extra level of support to some people in our community and we would like to engage a pool of Volunteer Community Mentors to work alongside us in providing support and assisting them to make meaningful connections to their community.

There are many reasons someone might benefit from a Community Mentor. They may be a young person who has begun living independently, an older person who has limited family support, or a recent parolee, plus many more.

You might pay a weekly visit to offer support around life skills, help them to make connections to their community in ways that are meaningful to them or just be a friendly face who is interested in helping them succeed.

This can be very rewarding for both the client and the Mentor and also the Community.

Volunteers

As a Volunteer, you might work at the Mt Gambier Community Centre packing food for distribution, helping in administration, tutoring a class or assisting clients during a lesson. You might also help with grounds-keeping, washing windows or other domestic tasks.

Volunteers also mow lawns for clients who are unable to do so. We provide the vehicle and equipment and the clients pay a small fee to cover fuel.

Another important part of our accommodation program is the two units we manage that provide very short term accommodation for people with nowhere else to go. These units need to be serviced between clients and our Volunteers assist our Homelessness staff with this task.

As a Volunteer you have similar responsibilities to our employees and so need the same clearances and mandatory training as an employee such as a Child-Related Employment Screening (a type of police check) and a Child Safe Environment Certificate. ac.care pays for these for you.

Volunteer Helpers

As a Volunteer Helper you will provide much needed assistance in a range of activities working alongside our employees and volunteers. You will need to sign a Volunteer Helper's Agreement.

Volunteer Tutors

Do you have a particular skill that you would enjoy teaching others? Perhaps running your own class appeals to you. Talk to us about how we could best utilize your skills.

Volunteer Coordinator

We are also looking for a volunteer with exceptional administration and organisational skills to assist with coordinating our new initiatives.

Can't wait to get involved?

Expression of Interest forms are available at the Mt Gambier Community Centre or you can download one from www.accare.org.au (visit the 'careers' tab).

More questions? Talk to Trish or Sue on 8723 0540 during business hours.

People of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent or people from other cultures are encouraged to apply.

Child Protection Statement

ac.care is committed to child safety and protection. We have zero tolerance of child abuse.

Our robust human resources, recruitment and vetting practices are strictly adhered to during the application and interview process.

Before a successful applicant is able to start, they are required to produce a current Child Related Employment Screening through the Department of Communities and Social Inclusion Screening Unit or to undergo one at ac.care's expense.

ac.care also conducts reference checks (as we see fit) to ensure that we are recruiting people who share our values and our commitment to the safety and protection of children.