

VOLUNTEERS AT LIFELINE MID COAST

Background

Volunteers have been an integral part of our organisation since our establishment in 1989. Lifeline Mid Coast believes volunteers are important in our ability to connect with our community and are vital to the success of this organisation.

We have over 300 volunteers supporting our 7 retail shops and approx. 75 supporting our crisis and suicide support services that includes Lifeline's 13 11 14 Crisis Line, support group facilitation, supporting communities in crisis and promoting and supporting events that highlight crisis support and suicide prevention.

Volunteers are in a unique position in their ability to give their lifetime experiences and interests a place in their chosen volunteer roles. The benefits this unique position brings includes opportunities for personal growth and sharing of skills and knowledge. Being a valued volunteer in this organisation also brings a sense of accomplishment and community.

Volunteer Statement

Our organisation supports and is supported by our volunteers. We believe volunteers are important in connecting with our community and are vital to the success of Lifeline Mid Coast. We have over 400 volunteers supporting our retail, crisis support and suicide prevention services.

Purpose

- To support Lifeline Mid Coast's Purpose and strategic directions.
- To support Lifeline Mid Coast in providing retail and & crisis support & suicide prevention support services.
- To contribute to our organisation through their skills, expertise, and input.
- To commit to regular shifts and to follow Lifeline Mid Coast's vision.
- To provide an avenue for social engagement.

Priority Activities

- Creation of opportunities for volunteers to be involved in Lifeline Mid Coast retail, crisis support & suicide prevention support services.
- Invitations to be involved in Lifeline Mid Coast Strategic Directions.
- Creation of opportunities for training & professional development.
- Creation of functional & supportive working environments.
- Ensuring volunteers & their contributions are appreciated & recognised.