

# Foster Carer Recruitment Volunteer



**Time commitment:** Varies (1-6 hours per fortnight)



**Location:** Loddon region or Wimmera South West region



**Induction/Training:** Approx 5 hours

## About the program

The Carer Recruitment Volunteer will be supporting our Carer Recruitment and Development (CR&D) Team in the Loddon or Wimmera South West region with spreading the word of our Foster Care programs.

The Carer Recruitment and Development team is responsible for the recruitment, training, assessment, development and retention of all foster carers within MacKillop Family Services.

## Your role

You will be supporting our CR&D team with promoting the important message of foster care to individuals, businesses and households, locally in the Loddon or Wimmera South West region. You will achieve this by providing printed information and speaking to members of the community about our Foster Care program and the important work that MacKillop and Foster Carers do with our young people in care.

## Possible tasks

Volunteer responsibilities may include but are not limited to the following:

- Delivering information and distributing promotional material to local businesses and households including letterbox drop offs.
- Speaking with interested community members about MacKillops work with young people and about the benefits of becoming a Foster Carer.
- Supporting the CR&D team in Bendigo or Warnambool regions with organising, setting up for and attendance at local events. This may include:
  - placing items in envelopes or showbags
  - preparing handouts
  - setting up marquees, tables etc on the MacKillop event site
  - attendance at the MacKillop site during events
  - engaging with the community

## Our Values:

Hope - Justice - Collaboration - Compassion - Respect

### You will be required to

- Sign and actively abide by MacKillop's Code of Conduct
- Observe and actively support MacKillop's P.8 People and Workplace Policy
- Attend mandatory and other training as required
- Participate in and promote continuous quality improvement processes
- Promote an environment that is culturally safe and strengths focussed
- Abide by principles and commitments of the Sanctuary Framework

### Key selection criteria

The Foster Carer Recruitment Volunteer will need:

- Understanding of and commitment to the values of MacKillop Family Services.
- A passion for the work MacKillop does and a motivation for supporting our cause.
- An open mind and the ability to adjust communication style to different audiences.
- Communication skills.
- Ability to work autonomously.
- An appreciation for walking several kilometres at a time through different neighbourhoods.

## About MacKillop Family Services

MacKillop Family Services continues our founders' passionate commitment to social justice - to work for the rights of children, young people and families to be safe, to learn, feel nurtured and connected to culture. We provide high quality services to promote healing from trauma and loss, and to enable hopeful futures. MacKillop Family Services will care compassionately, respond large-heartedly and advocate courageously.



MacKillop Family Services acknowledges the Traditional Custodians and their Elders in each of the Communities where we work.



MacKillop celebrates and draws strength from diversity and respects the dignity of all people. We value an inclusive culture where lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, queer, gender diverse, intersex and asexual people (LGBTIQA+) have the right to be safe.



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