# The Infants' Home Corporate Volunteer Program

#### Introduction

Volunteering at The Infants' Home is a great team building activity for you and your organisation. Hundreds of volunteers work with us each year to help maintain our equipment and beautiful grounds, create resources for children, support events, and contribute to a clean and pleasant environment for children, families and staff. Wednesday is our scheduled Corporate Volunteer Day.

#### About The Infants' Home

The Infants' Home provides award-winning integrated early childhood education, family day care, early intervention and allied health services to children aged from birth to school age and their families. At least thirty per cent of our onsite services are targeted to support children and families living with vulnerabilities or who have additional needs.

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Since 1874 The Infants' Home has been a dynamic and innovative organisation, championing the rights of children, women and families, protecting those at risk, and guiding families

as they build their strength, skills and confidence to create a more positive future for themselves.

We have four onsite Early Childhood Education and Care centres that operate Monday to Friday, 7.00 am to 6.00 pm.

# Volunteering at The Infants' Home

As a registered charity we rely on volunteers to support our work with children and families. Volunteering is an opportunity for your team to help us fulfil our mission to give each child, every opportunity—today and tomorrow.

# What's involved in a volunteer day?

With 10 playgrounds, four children's services, lots of buildings, equipment and gardens that require regular maintenance, as well as a busy schedule of annual events, we appreciate your help! Volunteering with us is a mix of indoor and outdoor activities to help maintain and support our operations. No two volunteering days are alike. The maximum volunteer group size is 10, and we require a **minimum of five volunteers** to attend on the day.

# Volunteer tasks

Some of the activities on offer include:

- Gardening and grounds maintenance
- Assembling equipment and furniture
- Leaf-blowing
- Covering children's books in contact
- High pressure water cleaning
- Helping set up/run/pack up for events

- Washing toys
- Preparing materials for children's activities
- Cleaning/tidying equipment storage sheds
- Administrative tasks
- Painting

Each volunteer day is different, and scheduled tasks vary from week to week depending on the needs of our services.







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# Schedule for the day

Please **arrive by 8.50 am** ready for a 9.00 am induction session. Morning tea is 11.30 am - 12.00 pm and the lunch break is 1.30 pm - 2.00 pm. Your day will finish around 3.30 pm.

#### What to wear and bring

- Clothes for outdoor/gardening work: closed toed, comfortable shoes; hat and sunglasses; sleeved tops
- Corporate t-shirt or hat if available
- Refillable water bottle—filtered water is available onsite.

# Catering

The Infants' Home will arrange catering for morning tea and lunch. Information about dietary requirements will be sought in advance of the volunteer day. We ask volunteers not to leave our site for lunch as this is provided. Please note that we are a nut free service and that foods containing nuts are not permitted to be consumed or brought onsite.



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# Costs

A non-refundable booking fee of \$350 (excl GST) is required to secure a Standard Corporate Volunteering Package for your organisation for: one day of structured, supervised volunteering in small teams. This fee covers catering for the group as well as our staff and administrative costs for running the day. You will be invoiced, and payment will be required prior to your volunteer day to confirm your booking.

#### **Booking cancellations**

A minimum of five volunteers is required to attend to make the day worthwhile. If fewer than five volunteers are available on the day, or the volunteer booking is cancelled with less than two weeks' notice, the booking fee will be forfeited.

# Getting to and parking at The Infants' Home

Onsite parking is reserved for parents who use our service. Volunteers who drive will need to park on surrounding streets. The Infants' Home is a 15-minute walk from Ashfield Station and is within 5 minutes' walking distance from bus stops located on Parramatta Road and Frederick Street. Check public transport details at 131500.com.au.

# Collaborate with us to create your own bespoke Volunteer Community Day

If your organisation is interested in collaborating with The Infants' Home to create a stand-alone corporate volunteer 'Give Back Day' such as garden beautification, a painting day or a barbeque for our staff, we can work with you to develop a package that aligns with the needs, expectations and budgets of both parties.

# **Skilled volunteering**

The Infants' Home warmly welcomes collaborative partnerships with organisations who can offer skilled volunteering. Whether it's providing technology solutions, strategic guidance, or specialised training in areas like marketing and fundraising, these collaborations will be invaluable in improving the services and programs offered by The Infants' Home.

Through this combined approach, we will be able to continue to achieve our mission to give *each child, every opportunity—today and tomorrow.* 

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