

Volunteer

Volunteering with Solve is rewarding, and helps people with disability to achieve their goals

Volunteers work together with our occupational therapists, clients and their carers, to make or modify equipment that promotes independence and improves quality of life. Solve volunteers give their time freely and are reimbursed for out of pocket expenses such as materials, travel, telephone calls etc. New volunteers are required to participate in a half day Induction Training course and all volunteers are encouraged to attend branch meetings/days that are held during the year.

There are opportunities to volunteer for Solve Disability Solutions throughout Victoria in a range of different ways.

Technical Volunteers

Solve Disability Solution's Technical volunteers use their own workshop (or a workshop they have access to) and tools to design, make or modify equipment for people with disabilities when there is no commercial option available. Initially, the volunteer attends an appointment with the client and the Solve Disability Solutions Occupational Therapist at the place where the equipment is to be used, and together they identify a solution that will be practical, safe and appropriate to the client's needs and medical condition. The volunteer then makes/modifies the equipment/aid in their own time.

Freedom Wheels Volunteers

Volunteers who wish to be involved in the Freedom Wheels modified bike program can assist in any or all of the following ways:

Bike Assessment Clinics

Children's specific needs are assessed by Solve Disability

Solutions Occupational Therapists at bike clinics held in Melbourne and selected regional centres in Victoria. Volunteers assist by taking off and adding on specific parts of the bike e.g. pedals, back supports etc. until the bike is customised to meet the individual needs of the client.

Bike Customisation (Assembly)

Once the needs of the client have been assessed, a separate bike build day is arranged to assemble the bikes. Each bike is customised to the specific needs of the client, this work is undertaken by a team of volunteers at Solve Disability Solutions' Central Office- Kew, using specially designed support equipment.

Administrative Volunteers

Roles are limited in administration, however skills in filing, general office work, various computer software packages and customer service are all valuable.

Corporate Volunteers

Corporations interested in providing volunteering experiences for their staff are asked to contact our Volunteer Coordinator on 9853 8655.