



Role Description - Volunteer Leader in a Foróige Club

How This Role Makes a Difference

As a leader in this club you will have the joy of positively influencing young people’s lives. You will show them how to do things; draw out their potential, and act as an example they can follow. You will be part of their development and share Foróige’s belief in the dignity and value of each young person.

Location or Club Name: _____

You Can Get Support From:

Leader _____ Contact details _____

Staff person _____ Contact details _____

Days and Times Needed: _____

Minimum Length of Volunteer Commitment Required

Leaders who come weekly as regular leaders get most out of it. Clubs usually operate from September to May, and normally meet once a week for about one and a half hours.

You Will Be Part of a Team of Leaders Doing the Following Tasks:

1. Developing good relationships with the members, focused on assisting their development
2. Supporting the club members with their club committee and the club meeting
3. Involving all members actively in managing the affairs of the club
4. Agreeing a set of rules with the young people covering behaviour in the club.
5. Involving members in “learning by doing” through choosing, planning, doing activities including in the community
6. Attending occasional meetings with the other leaders
7. Getting parental permission and keeping contact with parents as needed
8. Having the club represented at District Council and attending interclub events
9. Following Foróige procedures for safe practice in work with young people

Qualifications, Qualities and /or Skills Needed

Volunteers have common sense and a positive attitude to young people; they are willing to learn the role and willing to share authority and responsibility with young people. There are no particular educational requirements – we provide training.

Supports for you

You will attend “Starting Out in Foróige” training and child protection training
Foroige website www.foroige.ie , Volunteer Portal, and our Facebook page
Sharing experiences with and getting support from other leaders and staff
Policies, further training, good practice guidelines and insurance for the role

Benefits for you

You will get to know young people, other leaders and them you.
You will develop leadership and facilitation skills.
You will know that your participation is making a positive difference for young people.

To assure you of good standards, club volunteers complete application, reference checks, Garda vetting and training. Application does not guarantee acceptance.