



### **What is Millennium Volunteers (MV)?**

MV is a national programme that recognises your volunteering. If you're aged between 14 and 25 and are already volunteering or would like to start, you can sign up to the programme and show your commitment to volunteering. After your first 50, 100 and 200 hours of volunteering you'll get a certificate supported by the Department of Education recognising your work.

### **I already volunteer - how can I become a Millennium Volunteer (MV)?**

If you already volunteer and would like to sign up to become a MV then just contact Barbara Kennedy MV Co-ordinator or contact your Guider in Charge for further contact details.

### **What does Millennium Volunteers (MV) involve?**

MV is designed to be as straight forward as possible and work around the other things you've got going on in your life. Once you've signed up to the programme you're given your 'MV Record Book' which allows you to record the hours that you volunteer as well as some other sections that help you see the training, skills and experience you've gained through your voluntary work.

Whenever you have completed 50, 100 and then 200 hours of volunteering, let your MV co-ordinator know and they will make sure you get your certificates. It's as simple as that. You can volunteer wherever you like, in as many places as you like and as often as you like, meaning it can work around your studies, job and hobbies.

### **Does Millennium Volunteers count volunteering outside of Northern Ireland?**

You can count all the volunteering you do within the UK and Ireland as well as overseas. For overseas volunteering, you can only count the travel time and the time you actually spent volunteering - so this doesn't include when you're sleeping or have free time.

### **Does Millennium Volunteers count travel time as volunteering?**

According to the Northern Ireland Executive, volunteering involves giving up your time and energy for the benefit of society without payment or compulsion. Therefore some travel time can be counted towards achieving your MV award, especially if you live in a rural area-

### **I've just started Millennium Volunteers, can i backdate my hours?**

You should be able to backdate up to a year, although this depends on the number of hours of volunteering you have done.

### **How do I find out more about Millennium Volunteers (MV)?**

If you still have questions about MV then contact Barbara Kennedy.

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