

# A YEAR IN REVIEW 2017

South Dublin County Volunteer Centre.

## VOLUNTEERING



We actively worked with 893 volunteers supporting them in their volunteering.



697 volunteers registered with us for the first time.



70% of those registering with us were aged under 35 years



66 nationalities represented (with Irish representing the largest group)



61% of volunteers had never volunteered before

## VOLUNTEERING STATISTICS



There were 1399 applications for volunteer roles



333 volunteers placed into volunteering roles in the county



We placed 36% of all volunteers who applied for volunteering roles



The average time from a volunteer applying to beginning volunteering was 29 days



29k - the number of hours given to volunteering with a value of €638k

## SUPPORTING ORGANISATIONS



28 new organisations registered with us seeking volunteers



We added 173 new volunteering roles to IVOL



In total there are 542 organisations registered with us locally

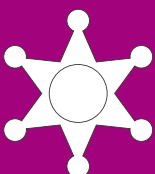


We gave 1456 pieces of advice and support to organisations



14 organisations attended our volunteer leadership training

## OUR OTHER WORK



We provided a garda vetting service for over 120 groups in South Dublin



We processed 5239 Garda Vetting applications for volunteers



Our Volunteer Corps participated in 19 events across 38 days



We provided IT support and training to 31 Public Participation Networks



We were represented on 6 boards and 4 other county structures

# WHAT YOU SAID

## VOLUNTEERING IS GOOD FOR YOU

We asked volunteers and organisations about our service following engagement with us.  
Below are the responses from both!

### VOLUNTEERING IS GOOD FOR YOUR HEALTH



50% of volunteers say their physical health improved



63% of volunteers say their mental health improved



69% say their self esteem improved or significantly improved



70% of volunteers say their interpersonal skills improved



60% of volunteers' confidence in their own ability increased

### VOLUNTEERING IS GOOD FOR YOUR EMPLOYABILITY AND SOCIAL LIFE



45% said their ability to advance in their current employment improved



60% say their employability & skills increased.



62% say their range of friendships increased after volunteering



52% say that their participation in social gatherings increased



65% of volunteers say their feeling of not being alone increased

### VOLUNTEERING IS GOOD FOR YOUR SENSE OF BELONGING



74% of volunteers would definitely volunteer again



70% said that they felt an increased sense of belonging to community



70% felt that their sense of motivation had significantly increased



83% felt they had made a useful contribution locally



76% said they would become more involved in their community

### ORGANISATIONS LIKED US TOO!



96% of organisations were satisfied with the service we provide



86% felt it was important for their organisation to have our services locally



89% felt it was important to have our service for volunteers locally



93% felt our services were easy to access and helpful



98% said we follow up with them in a reasonable time