

***Special
Olympics***
Munster



CURRENT VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

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Safeguarding Officer – Tipperary SO Club

About Tipperary Special Olympics Club

Tipperary Special Olympics Club is an affiliate member of Special Olympics Ireland's Munster Region. It is entirely led by volunteers and offers sports training and competitive opportunities for approx. 70 athletes. The club is run by a committee, sport specific coaches and general volunteers.

What's involved?

The Safeguarding Officer will be the committee member responsible for the overall safeguarding of athletes in the club. Info here:

<http://www.specialolympics.ie/GETINVOLVED/MUNSTER/MUNSTERCLUBS/Safeguarding.aspx>

Tasks may include but are not limited to:

- Maintaining athletes' registration (medical) documentation
- Promoting good safeguarding practice during training & at external events
- Contributing to the overall management of the club via committee meetings
- Attending training sessions where possible & making oneself known to all

Required:

- Strong communication skills, friendly nature
- Good knowledge of intellectual disability
- Experience in a safeguarding role/profession (e.g. nursing) would be preferable
- 'Safeguarding 2' certification (or willing to gain same)

When & Where?

Committee meetings are held in Canon Hayes Sports Complex, Tipperary Town as per a club schedule. Training takes place on Tuesdays in the same venue.

Support and training

Safeguarding Officers are supported by their fellow committee members in the club as well as the Regional Development Officer for Clubs. Role specific training is offered on request.

Other details:

- Informal interview with club chairperson
- Volunteers must register with SO Ireland (this includes specific Garda Vetting)
- Over 18y/o
- Professional and social benefits

Contact

Phyllis Naughton – Chairperson, Tipperary Special Olympics Club on 086 606 3340

OR

David Murtagh – RDO Volunteers, SO Munster by email: david.murtagh@specialolympics.ie

General Volunteers – Tipperary SO Club

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What's involved?

Tipperary SO Club are looking for general volunteers to attend their weekly **bowling** sessions

Tasks may include but are not limited to:

- Assisting with the movement of athletes from bus to venue (help with walking frames etc.)
- Assist athletes with the collection of bowling shoes and set up on lanes
- Stewarding exits throughout session
- Socialise with athletes
- Abiding by good safeguarding practice at all times

Required:

- Strong communication skills, friendly nature
- 'Safeguarding 1' certification or willingness to gain same

When & Where?

Bowling sessions take place every Thursday at 4.45pm in Funworld, Ennis Rd., Limerick.

Support and training

Ongoing support is available from Club Committee as well as Regional Volunteer coordinator.

Other details:

- Volunteers must register with SO Ireland (includes specific Garda Vetting for 16y/o +)
- Professional and social benefits

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Morning Support Centre Volunteer - SOMunster

About Special Olympics Munster

Special Olympics Munster is a regional branch of Special Olympics Ireland. We support 13 sports training and competition programmes for over 2000 athletes in Munster. We have 61 affiliate clubs run by approximately 1000 volunteers. The region also manages clubs, volunteers and fundraising programmes from its regional base on Monaghan Rd., Cork.

What's involved?

SOMunster is supported by a small team of volunteers who assist staff with administrative tasks. The 'volunteer support centre' operates every weekday morning and on a Wednesday evening.

Tasks may include:

- Event recruitment (sports & fundraising)
- Database management
- Front of office duties – screening and directing calls.

Required:

- Strong communication skills both over the phone and in person
- Good knowledge of Excel and Word
- Friendly, chatty nature

When & Where?

We are looking for someone to join our morning volunteer support centre which operates every **weekday morning from 9am-1pm**. Day: Flexible. Regional Office - Unit 3, Cleve Business Park, Monaghan Rd. Cork

Support and training

Volunteers are supported by staff and will receive training in relation to the organisation and its CRM (database) system.

Other details:

- Informal interview
- Volunteers will complete Garda Vetting.
- Own transport to office is required.
- Over 18
- Recreational and social benefits

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Photographers - SOMunster

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What's involved?

SOMunster runs a calendar of sports and fundraising events year round. It is important that we provide photographic accounts of these events for the pleasure of those who are in attendance and for recruitment/awareness purposes going forward.

Tasks may include:

- Services on the day of an event
- Collation of photos and submission to regional office

Required:

- High standard/ prior experience in professional setting
- Strong communication skills
- Friendly, chatty nature

When & Where?

Flexible. We are looking for someone to be available on request (given advance notice) to attend events around Cork.

Support and training

Volunteers are supported by staff at all events and will receive guidance in relation to the organisation's photography policy.

Other details:

- Sample of work required
- Volunteers will complete Garda Vetting.
- Own transport to events is required.
- Over 18
- Recreational and social benefits

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