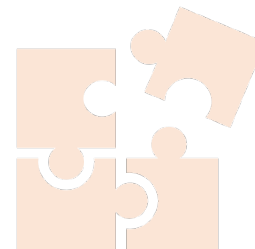




## Show Case - Mini Project



### VOLUNTEER FESTIVAL

#### Brief description of the Activity

The Volunteer Festival is intended to promote and develop volunteer work in your community. It aims to raise awareness of the activities carried out by volunteers and to thank them for all the hours devoted to volunteering.

#### Targeted Audience

Volunteers and different organisations that promote volunteer work or include volunteers in their work process

#### Practical Setting - Context of Activity


- Labour Market
- School Environment
- **Community Work**


#### Linked Stop of VALUE Roadmap (IO1)

- Self Management
- Think outside of the Box
- Can Do Mindset
- Enrichment
- **Making it Happen**
- Roadblocks
- Transition

**Type of Activity (IO2):** Other

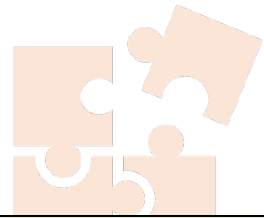
#### Other Information

 **purpose:** Raising awareness about volunteers in your local community and promoting volunteer work.

 **Time:** flexible, approximately 2 hours

#### Extra advice for implementation:

Along with the festival, you can prepare a call every year, where different institutions or individuals nominate their volunteers for their work in the previous year and enrol them into the call to win the title of "Volunteer of the year". Then at the festival, you can present those institutions, present different kind of volunteers and volunteer work, and announce the winners and "Volunteers of the year".



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**👥 group size:** the purpose of the festival is to promote volunteer work, so it is open to general public as well

↔ **required space:** Festival can be carried out in a large indoor venue or outside / optionally it can also be carried out online.

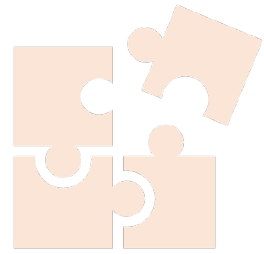
**🔧 material:** stands for organisations to present themselves, a stage or a designated space for central activities of the cultural part of the festival to take place, all necessary documentation (especially if the festival is organised outside), signs with names of participating organisations, materials on volunteering, optionally: sound system, microphones (for bigger or outside venues)

✓ **preparation:** Collecting applications of volunteers and organising the cultural part of the festival

### Chosen process for implementation:

#### HOW TO ORGANISE A VOLUNTEER FESTIVAL?

1. Set the date of the festival. You can do it online or in person.
2. Organise any catering, invitations and calculate budget, among other administration aspects that are needed for a successful festival. There are plenty of resources online to help you do this part.
3. 2 months before the festival, post an open call for all the institutions or individuals to nominate those people who they think deserve the title of "Volunteer of the year".
4. We propose that the call is for different age groups so that you have diversity and multiple "Volunteers of the year".
5. At this point, you also need to assign your committee, who will choose the "Volunteer of the year" in every category, from all the applications that arrive.
6. At the same time if you are doing your festival in person, place a call for institutions that can also apply for the cultural part of the festival.
7. If you are doing a volunteer festival online, keep the program simple and short.
8. Set a deadline for the call for applications, this should be least one month before the date of the festival.



9. After the closing of the call the committee gathers, reviews and chooses the "Volunteers of the year".
10. Discuss the cultural part of the festival with institutions that will participate at the festival and create a fun programme for people to enjoy and can interact - if you are doing the festival online, choose a singing act, or a dance number that will diversity the programme but not take too much focus off the volunteers.
11. At the festival you announce the "Volunteers of the year" and present all their volunteer work.
12. If you are doing the festival online, you could interview the winner beforehand and include that in the programme of the festival.

### **Message of the game:**

It is important to encourage people in your local community and present them the option of being a volunteer. The festival's aim is to promote the value of solidarity and volunteering. The purpose is also to thank all of the active volunteers for their work and through cultural programme present the organisations that work with volunteers.

