

TEMPLATE: Local spontaneous volunteering roles scope

The purpose of this document is to assist Local Governments to undertake a high-level assessment of the possible tasks Spontaneous Volunteers could undertake following a disaster in your community. This high-level scope will help inform the best model for your local area with regard to the management of

Spontaneous Volunteers: Local Government Led, Organisational Led, Consortium Led.

Complete the table below to undertake the scope for your local area.

Helpful tip: use the example table below to get some inspiration!

Role and tasks	Skills required	Agency with local experience managing similar volunteer roles

Helpful tip: Spontaneous Volunteer roles may be low skilled roles that can be used for surge capacity.

Example Spontaneous Volunteer Task High-Level Scope		
 Example Spontaneous Volu Assistance with Catering Check any special dietary requirements. Prepare and serve food. Deliver food and refreshments. Clean and maintain kitchen. Manage Material Donations Sort donated goods. Dispose of unwanted / unusable goods. Safely store and label goods. Maintain lists. Deliver goods to communities. Pick up donated goods offered. 	 Setting up venues - for use of community meetings, evacuation centres, recovery centres. Set up and pack up of signage, tables and chairs, child-friendly and recreational zones. Cleaning of facilities and furniture. Letter Box Drops Deliver information to the letterboxes in the area assigned. Keep records of homes visited. 	
 Clean-up Activities Liaise with property owners. Remove rubbish and debris. Salvage property and goods. Dispose of damaged, unsafe and unwanted materials. 	 Meet and Greet Provide information at centres to clients. Directing people to appropriate services. Packing information packs. Other tasks as directed by Local Government / organisation. 	
 Outreach and Personal Support Provide personal support for those affected by event (not counselling). Gather information about the effects of the event. Provide information about services and grants available. Visit affected households. 	 Call Centre Support Answer incoming calls and respond to emails from community members affected by the emergency. Provide service information to community members affected by the emergency. Identify and escalate issues to supervisors. 	
 Fencing Repair and Construction Liaise with property owners. Remove and dispose of fencing damaged beyond repair. Source fencing materials via Volunteer Centre. Repair damaged fencing. Build new farm fencing. 	 Post Disaster Event Support Prepare venues and setting up chairs and stages. Working as ushers and welcoming guests. Working at a concession stand and serving food and drinks. Dispensing useful information to event assistants. Packing up equipment when the event is completed. 	