

# Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers Volunteer Expression of Interest



As the longest running event of its kind in Australia, the Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers (TCOF) is a celebration of flowers, food, wine and all things Spring! Features include the Grand Central Floral Parade, Sideshow Alley, the Ergon Energy Food and Wine Festival and Heritage Bank Live Concert Series. There are so many areas to be part of, apply to be a volunteer and help contribute to Toowoomba's biggest event!

## Available Volunteer Roles for 2017

### Parade Pacers Saturday 16th September

- Participate in the Grand Central Floral Parade
- Help to keep entries together by minimise gaps
- Commitment – 4-5 hours

### Parade Preparation

#### August & September- various dates

- Helping community groups decorate floats and costumes.
- Help make paper flowers during workshops
- Commitment - 3 hours

### Parade Information

#### 1 to 3pm Sat 16<sup>th</sup> September

- Parade Info officers hand out chalk, clappers
- Offer friendly and helpful advice to the crowds ready to watch Parade
- Commitment - 2 hours

### Parade Seating

#### 1 to 3pm Sat 16<sup>th</sup> September

- Help seat visiting tour groups in allocated areas of Ruthven Street
- Meet and Greet groups, guide them to their seating area and answer general enquiries
- Commitment - 2 hours

### Float Minder

#### 4pm to 6pm Sat 16<sup>th</sup> September

- Be our float protectors at the end of the parade route, stand with the Toowoomba Regional Council floats to ensure children don't climb on them and they remain safe.
- Collect the gold coin donations for potted colour sales from your float bases too.
- Assist the public with general enquiries
- Commitment - 2 hours

### Festival Helpers

#### 10am- 8pm Fri 15<sup>th</sup> – Sun 17<sup>th</sup> September

- Various jobs helping at the Food and Wine festival including:
  - Box Office wrist banding, scanning entry tickets, general enquiries
  - Activity areas including flower crown preparation
- Commitment - 3 hours

### Bus Tour Guides

#### Fri 15<sup>th</sup> – Sun 24<sup>th</sup> September

- Do you love plants and are a Toowoomba local? Join arranged tours to share your knowledge with groups about Toowoomba and the gardens.
- Commitment - 2-4 hours

### Info Hub/ Visitor Information

#### Fri 15<sup>th</sup> – Sun 24<sup>th</sup> September

- Become an info guru stationed in the TCOF information hubs at Queen's Park, Laurel Bank Park and Picnic Point to provide visitors with brochures, maps and local knowledge. Share your love of Toowoomba and help welcome visitors to our region.
- Commitment - 3-4 hours

### Plant Market Helpers

#### Mon 25<sup>th</sup> – Tues 26<sup>th</sup> September

- Help collect the trays of potted colour pots from across the Festival site
- Assist with plant sales to the public and collect gold coins
- Commitment - 3 hours

*For more detailed information about our volunteer opportunities, download the Job Description document.*



# Volunteer Expression of Interest 2017



## Personal Details

Name:

Date of Birth:

Postal Address:

Daytime Phone:

Email:

Language/s:

## Certificates and Qualifications you hold

First Aid

Driver's Licence

Blue Card – Working with Children

Others:

## Work Areas Please indicate where you would like to be involved

Parade Pacers

Festival Helpers

Parade Preparation

Bus Tour Guides

Parade Seating / Parade Information

Info Hub / Visitor Information

Parade Float Minder

Plant Market helpers

## Availability Please indicate when you are available during Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers

Friday 15<sup>th</sup>

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup>

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup>

Monday 18<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>

## Skills and Abilities Please list your general skills/experiences so we can best fit you to the roles available

Talking to Groups:

Customer Service:

Gardening:

Cash Handling:

Business/Admin:

Hospitality:

Other:

## Applicant acknowledgement

- I understand that by completing this form I am not guaranteed a volunteer role with Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers.
- I understand that I will be required to undertake screening, an interview and training before commencing volunteer placement.
- I declare that I am a fit and proper person to undertake volunteer work and that I have not been convicted of, or am being investigated for any criminal offence.

Signature:

Date:

Office use only

Date received:

