

Teen Ranch Australia
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Hi there!

Thankyou for your inquiry about joining the voluntary staff team at Teen Ranch!

Teen Ranch is a non-denominational, not for profit, Christian camping organisation that seeks to “... introduce young people to Jesus Christ through an affordable, enjoyable, educational and safe camp experience provided by a community of caring, growing Christians.” It is our joy and privilege as Teen Ranch staff to be involved in a small part of what God is doing in the world. Whether you are already a follower of Jesus and committed to serving Him or if you are just starting to consider what He did and who He claimed to be, you are welcome here. Our hope is that whilst here at Teen Ranch you would get to know Him better and grow in your relationship with Him.

Whilst you are in Australia, we encourage you to see as much as you can of this beautiful country! You may wish to work here for several months and then move on, or you may wish to break up your time with us with some travel. All we need is a little notice of your plans for our rostering purposes.

We do not offer paid employment to overseas voluntary staff but accommodation and meals are provided for free. There are two visa options you can choose from, depending on your other plans for your trip:

- 1) Tourist visa. This entitles you to come to Australia with the primary purpose of your stay being to holiday. It allows you to do volunteer work within certain boundaries. Your period of volunteering in Australia needs to be less than half the duration of the visa. Full information is available from www.immi.gov.au/visitors/tourist/676/index.htm
- 2) Working Holiday Maker visa (for citizens of eligible countries). This entitles 18-30 year olds to a 12 month stay in Australia combining travel with paid or unpaid work. You cannot work for a single employer for more than 6 months, but may work for several employers during the 12 month period. If you are wanting paid work some time during your trip or want a 12 month stay in Australia, then you would need to apply for this visa. Full information is at <http://www.immi.gov.au/visitors/working-holiday/417/index.htm>.

You will need to read and/or complete the following:

- 1) Application Form (Voluntary Staff)
- 2) Staff Conduct Policy
- 3) Statement of Faith
- 4) Reference Form – Christian Leader
- 5) Reference Form – Employer/Teacher
- 6) Prohibited Employment Declaration
- 7) Risk Warning/Medical Assistance Declaration

It is essential for you to send us a recent police clearance check. This assists us in exercising our duty of care towards the children and young people we serve.

Should you wish to apply, please post the attached forms to me as soon as possible and I will contact you with further details and information. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to email me on teenranchvoluntarystaff@gmail.com.

Regards,
Linda Poole
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