



Press Release

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For Immediate Release

Midleton Volunteers wanted for No Name Club

Midleton's adult community is being called upon to support the No Name Club, a national youth organisation that is providing teenagers with fun and entertaining activity and is establishing itself in the Cork town. It is looking for adults who would be interested in helping the club out by supporting its teenage members.

Adult volunteers form an adult committee and support the club's teenage members, known as hosts and hostesses, as they identify the activities and events they want to run for themselves and their peers. The Midleton club will be part of a national youth organisation that has over 40 clubs throughout Ireland playing crucial roles within Irish communities.

Sean Twomey, No Name Club Training Officer says: *"Midleton No Name Club will meet the needs of teenagers by providing them with fun activity and a very valuable social and recreational outlet. The club's adults will help and support the teenagers by working with them to deliver what they want. Our adult volunteers throughout Ireland are playing very important roles within communities and in helping young people develop their confidence and leadership skills."*

Activities run by clubs throughout Ireland include discos, games, sports events, social evenings, talent competitions, cookery and arts and crafts. These are delivered in environments that are free from the pressures of alcohol or other drugs.

Clubs also work within communities and organise day trips and weekends away. An annual national talent competition and national youth awards are run by the No Name Club at national level and it also works with teenagers to help them address issues affecting young people. Projects addressing alcohol, drug abuse, health, diet and nutrition, mental health and road safety have been run in the past. Agencies such as the HSE, Road Safety Authority and An Garda Síochána work with the No Name Club and its members.

Anyone interested in finding out **more information** about volunteering can contact **Sean Twomey, No Name Club Training Officer at 086 8044903.**

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Note for the Editor

No Name Club is a National Voluntary Youth Organisation founded in 1978 and has 45 clubs throughout the country. No Name Clubs are run by and for young people aged 15 years + who come together in a safe and lively environment where there's fun, friendship and enjoyment without the pressure of alcohol or other drugs. No Name Clubs were founded to provide an alternative to pub culture for young people in Ireland. They demonstrate a lifestyle in which the use of alcohol or drugs is seen as unnecessary to the enjoyment of a happy, cheerful and fulfilling social life for young people. Over the last 30 years, thousands of young people have valued their involvement in a programme of activities that allow them to enjoy themselves socially with their peers in a safe and friendly environment, free from the dangers and influences of alcohol and drugs. At present there are over 15,000 young people involved with No Name Clubs throughout the country.