



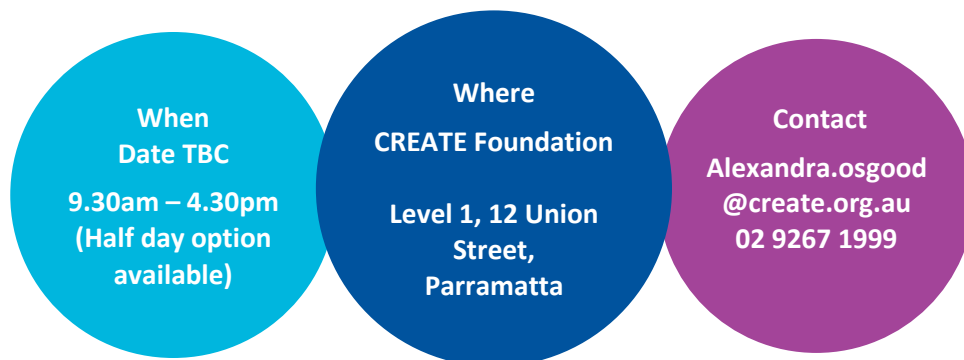
## Volunteering at CREATE Foundation

Thank you for choosing to volunteer with CREATE Foundation on our birthday card project, which is based in our Parramatta office. You will be part of a team that produces over 1,400 birthday cards each month that are posted to our clubCREATE members.

This can often be the only Birthday card that children and young people in care receive to recognise their Birthday, what a fantastic way to make a difference in their lives!

Not creative? No problem! You can write an inspirational message to young people 17 – 25 years of age. We provide stickers, stencils, textas, crayons and colouring in pencils. It's a great way to tap into your creative side and relive your childhood.

Tea, Coffee and Lollies will be provided throughout the day. Feel free to bring stickers, stamps, and glitter to decorate the birthday cards. We ask for energy, enthusiasm, and a sense of fun for a day spent helping to improve the lives of children and young people in care!



### What happens on the day?

**9:30** Meet and Greet

**9:45** Presentation about CREATE: our history, initiatives, and the role of volunteers

**10:00** Writing Birthday cards for children and young people in care.

**12:30** Break for lunch (own arrangements)

**1:30** Regroup at the CREATE offices to continue with the Birthday card project

**4:15** Volunteer Feedback Forms

**4:30** Departure

### A bit about CREATE Foundation

CREATE Foundation is the national peak consumer body representing the voices of children and young people with an out-of-home care experience

Our **vision** is that all children and young people with a care experience reach their full potential.

Our **mission** is to create a better life for children and young people in care. To do this we;

- **Connect** children and young people to each other, CREATE and their Community **to**
- **Empower** children and young people to build self-confidence, self-esteem, and skills that enable them to have a voice and be heard **to**
- **Change** the care system, in consultation with children and young people, through advocacy to improve policies, practices and services, and increase community awareness.

We achieve our mission by facilitating a variety of programs and services for children and young people in care and developing policy and research to advocate for a better care system.

Please note that CREATE is a child safe organisation, requiring all candidates to be screened for suitability to work with children and young people. You will be required to submit to a police check 2 weeks prior to your volunteering date. You will not need a police check if you are able to provide details of your valid Working With Children Check.