# **VOLUNTEER POSITION DESCRIPTION**

## PARKING COORDINATOR

#### **SUMMARY OF ROLE**

Parking Coordinator volunteers oversee the parking of participants' support crews at the checkpoints. Parking volunteers are
stationed at checkpoints where parking is limited and/or troublesome. It is the Parking Coordinator's role to coordinate and
lead the Parking Marshal volunteers. Parking plans will be provided to illustrate the intended method of managing the parking.
If any problems arise, the Parking Marshals should inform the Parking Coordinator who should either manage the situation
appropriately or inform the Checkpoint Coordinator (who may in turn inform the Event Control Centre).

#### TRAINING AND OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- ❖ Attending a pre-event training session is NOT REQUIRED for this role. You will be briefed and trained on the day when you arrive for your shift. You will be provided with the parking plan for your checkpoint to familiarise yourself prior to the event.
- As a Parking Coordinator you are responsible for:
  - Coordinating and leading the Parking Team in implementing the designated parking plan, and problem solving to resolve any issues that arise.
  - o Providing clear directions to support crews and answering any questions asked.
  - o Ensuring support crews adhere to one vehicle per team by checking Oxfam Trailwalker vehicle passes.
  - o Ensuring that support crews don't access areas not allocated for their use.
  - At all times being mindful of their own and the other parking volunteers' personal safety whilst interacting with vehicles.
- Equipment (provided, ready for collection from the checkpoint):
  - Reflective safety vest (must be worn at all times).
  - Light batten to assist in effectively directing vehicles (particularly at night) and as an additional personal visibility device.
  - A two-way radio to enable effective communication between others in the Parking Team.
- Please come prepared to be flexible and rotate roles on the day, e.g. acting as a Checkpoint Operations Support volunteer, so that each volunteer gets some variety during their shift. If you are ever uncomfortable performing a task that the Checkpoint Coordinator or Assistant Checkpoint Coordinator asks of you, please let them know straight away.
- ❖ Use the Essential Information Checklist to make sure you are prepared to volunteer at the event. This checklist is included in your Volunteer Shift Confirmation email and on your Volunteer Profile online. An overview of the event and your role as an Oxfam Trailwalker volunteer can be found in the Volunteer Handbook (linked to in the Essential Information Checklist).
- If you have any further questions or issues regarding your involvement prior to the event, please contact the Oxfam Events Volunteers Team.

### **ON-THE-DAY RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Please arrive for your shift ON TIME to ensure time for a proper induction. If you're running late, please call the Onthe-day Event Control Centre Volunteers' Coordinator (1300 369 606) and let us know. Refer to your Volunteer Shift Confirmation email for the full details of your volunteer shift time and location. If you cannot locate your Volunteer Shift Confirmation email head to our website and click 'Check your status' to review your Volunteer Profile online.
- Sign-in with the Assistant Checkpoint Coordinator (wearing a purple volunteer vest) in order to receive your volunteer vest, name tag and any equipment required for your role. It is essential to tick your name on the sign-in sheet for WH&S purposes.
- Ask your Assistant Checkpoint Coordinator to introduce you to the Parking Coordinator who you will be replacing (unless you are on the first shift of the event). We allow a 30 min overlap between the start of your shift and the end of the previous. Arriving on time ensures that you have enough time to familiarise yourself with the role and be briefed adequately before they leave.

- ❖ Brief the Parking Marshals on your shift of the layout and intended operation of the car park, and allocate specific locations for each Parking Marshal, as outlined in parking plan. Use the supplied two-way radios to communicate with your team to ensure that traffic flows through the car park smoothly.
- \* Make sure you and the other volunteers know where all the amenities are located at the checkpoint; for example, portaloos, water, first aid services, and allied health tents. It is likely that walkers will ask you where to find facilities. It's also useful to know which way the participants should enter and exit the checkpoint as you may get asked.
- There will be multiple parking areas for support crews, volunteers, and staff. You will need to monitor these areas and direct support crews, volunteers, and staff to the right areas to prevent a back log and help the traffic flow as smoothly as possible. Please use your two-way radio to communicate with the Parking Marshals and the Checkpoint Coordinator if any problems arise.
- Please ensure that the support crews don't access areas not allocated for their use. Support crews are provided with a vehicle pass to give them access to checkpoints. You should be firm and assertive with support crews and participants while at the same time presenting a welcoming and friendly face.
- Please ensure that the support crews are not doing anything that could disturb or upset local residents. Such behaviour may include illegal parking, unnecessary tooting of horns, lights shining in/on residents homes, loud talk or behaviour. Complaints from residents at checkpoints can affect the chances of using that location for future events.
- At some checkpoints during peak times support crews may have to park a short distance away from the checkpoint and walk in. Please provide clear directions to the support crews and answer any questions asked.
- YOU MUST NOT DIRECT CARS INTO PARKING SPACES. If you do, there is a chance that the car(s) could get damaged and resultantly, Oxfam will have to pay the bills. You can show them where the car space is, but this is where your responsibility ends.
- YOU MUST NOT DIRECT CARS ON ROADS. You are not authorised to direct traffic on any roads outside a checkpoint, only accredited traffic controllers are permitted to do this. If there is a traffic management issue on roads near the checkpoint then please tell your Checkpoint Coordinator. They will be able to contact the Logistics Coordinator at the Event Control Centre to let them know.
- Upon completion of your shift, please return equipment to the Assistant Checkpoint Coordinator, and sign-out.

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR HELP – WE HOPE YOU ENJOY
BEING A PART OF OXFAM TRAILWALKER!