

Inquiry into volunteering in Queensland

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Younger folk work long hours and children are involved in weekend activities, which leaves it to retirees! Some organisations have a knack of turning into a full time job. Accreditation one is expected to undertake can be onerous and then it needs refreshing! Having been involved with [REDACTED] disaster management, I found they wanted social catch ups as well. Some of these organisations are only as effective as the responsible officer at the time. I am also involved with [REDACTED] with [REDACTED]. It feels very much like we are employees at times. Responsiveness to us is slow. Expectation of information needed by them is needed yesterday. Little thought is given to how retirees live their lives. Reporting to government bodies is an added responsibility. [REDACTED], to name one. Legal liability is also a concern. Inability to opt in and out to fit on with lifestyles/ travel is often very limited.