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Volunteer BIO:

Andrew – Studio Village Community Centre

Fate brought Andrew..... Studio Village Community Centre (SVCC) at the start of the year.

He was looking for a way to become involved in his community and to lend a hand or a strong arm to those who weren't quite up to the heavier jobs a community centre often experiences.

His keen interest in people and willing attitude was recognised by the SVCC team and he was recruited as a volunteer to assist in general duties in the centre and also assist in the setting up and packing up of classes and events in the hall.

We asked Andrew about some of the things he liked most about his job at the centre and he gave us a long list including learning about the community centre and its function in the neighbourhood, learning new skills such as computers, advertising, promoting, event management, meeting new people, learning new business skills, helping to bring people out of their shells, learning more about his community, gaining more insight on how to deal with other people and meeting a wide range of folk from many backgrounds and cultures.

He listed a powerful benefit of being a community volunteer as having the opportunity to be part of something bigger than himself, which we think is a great reason to become a volunteer – donating your time and yourself to assist others and to be part of the growing community spirit in this area. And that's GOLD.

Andrew is one of the magical elements that makes our centre hum, and along with the contributions of our other wonderful team members, our centre is growing in activities, services and connectedness.

We thank Andrew for being such a proactive member of our community and such an enthusiastic and helpful volunteer here at Studio Village. "It takes a village to raise a family"

If you would like to learn more about volunteering for Beach Care – or any other volunteer position, visit Volunteering Gold Coast's website: www.volunteeringgc.com.au and view the whole list of jobs available!

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