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Hello, my name is Joan, I am 58 years old and I live in Mitcham.

I have volunteered for over 20 years!

I currently volunteer for two organisations on an ad hoc basis.

Both organisations have sent me on training courses to enhance my experience and skills and to gain further knowledge about their services.

What do I enjoy about giving my time?

I volunteer for Volunteer Centre Merton supporting with fundraising and events. This gives me the opportunity to talk, listen and make connections with others. I am invited to places of interest that I wouldn't get to see otherwise.

I also volunteer at Victim Support where I offer emotional support to people who have been victims of crime. I enjoy listening to them and it is my greatest pleasure to hear someone say, *"thank you, I am feeling much better now"*.

The biggest challenge I face is empowering more people to become volunteers but I am still trying!

My volunteering contributes to Merton because I can support my community and make it a better place to live and work, help others to achieve their goals and share my knowledge and experiences. I am so proud to be volunteering for Merton!

SHOUT ABOUT YOUR VOLUNTEERING by telling your friends in person
and online what you do to make Merton a better place.