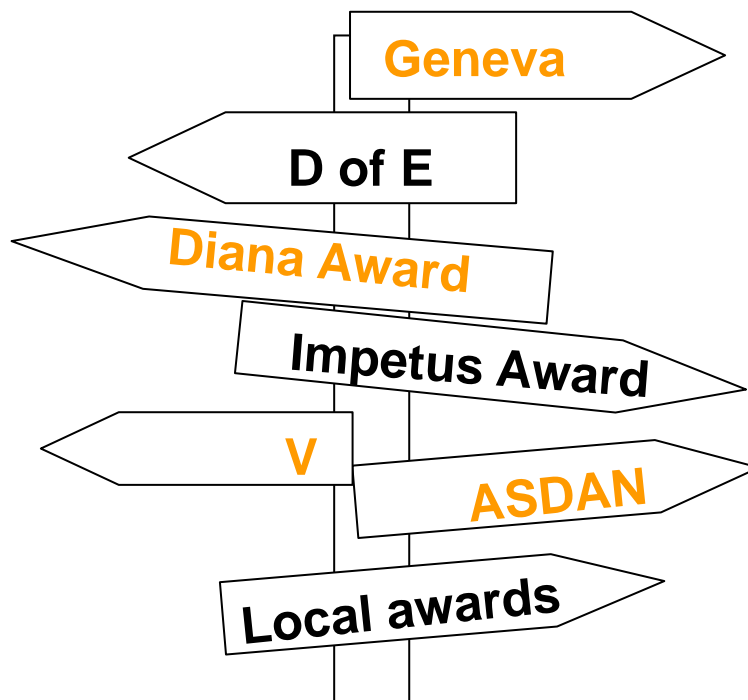


All of our volunteers do a great job volunteering
We recognise and appreciate all your hard work
Here are some ways of getting your work
recognised formally!



First of all, we would like to say a great big

THANK YOU

for all your hard work on the project!

We are really keen to get your work recognised nationally through awards or an accreditation scheme.

We looked high and low for different types of awards and schemes, and brought them all together in one place. Check out which ones suit you!

We look forward to hearing how you get on!

Good luck!

The Get ready for Geneva team!

P.S. Email us at: info@getreadyforgeneva.org.uk with any questions or queries you have, or if you need us to prove how many hours you have volunteered.



The Geneva certificate!

There are lots of different ways of getting your volunteering work recognised across the country.

We found that there wasn't one which suitable for **all** of our Get ready for Geneva volunteers.

Some awards or accreditations were only for older volunteers.

Some were too much like school work.

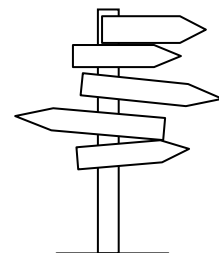
Others were for big groups.

So guess what we did? We made our own!

When you leave the project (after you turn 18 or when the project ends), we will send **you a certificate that says what you have been involved in and the skills you have gained.** We will also try and use some photos where possible.

It's really important that you tell us what you have been doing to promote the project and take action on children's rights.

This will help us make sure your certificate is full of lots of impressive things!





The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

What is it?

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award has been running since 1956, and its aim is to help young people to develop.

How does it work?

The Award is made up of four parts: service (something to help your community), skill (learning something new), physical (a sport, dance or fitness activity) and expedition (planning and completing an outdoor trek by foot, bike, boat or bicycle).

The Get ready for Geneva project would come under the service part of the Award.

Who can do it?

14 year olds and above.

How can I apply?

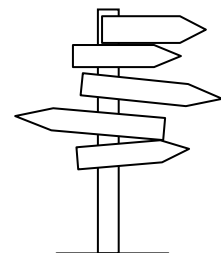
Anyone can apply - as long as someone runs the scheme in your local area. You can check this here:

<http://www.theaward.org/participants/index.php?ids=3013&id=1952>

They may run the scheme in your school, college or local youth service!

Website

www.theaward.org





Diana Award

What is it?

The Diana Award recognises the positive contributions made by children and young people to their schools, communities, families or friends. The Award was set up in 1999 to celebrate and remember the late Princess Diana's dedication to helping people.

How does it work?

Once you have been nominated you automatically win an award. You will receive a certificate and a pin badge!

Who can do it?

The Award is open to anyone aged 12 to 18 who has inspired others by:

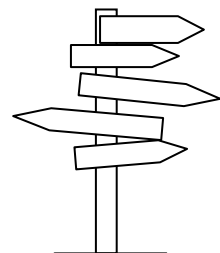
- Taking part in youth work or volunteering
- Improving the lives of others
- Showing outstanding qualities in overcoming difficulties.

How can I apply?

You can't apply - someone has to nominate you! Let your school, youth project or local decision-makers know what you have been up to on the project, and encourage them to nominate you for the Award.

Website

www.diana-award.org.uk



What is it?

Impetus is an award that recognises the work of children and young people in bringing to life human rights to life. This might be a good award if you are planning a children's rights campaign in your local area.

How does it work?

You can set up a project in your school or youth group that explores the human rights issues that are important to you!

The project **MUST** be led by young people, and will need to do the following:

- Explore human rights
- Find a new and creative way of applying human rights to an issue that concerns you
- Show that you are working with others
- Share your project locally in your community, and elsewhere
- Look back at what you have done and the impact your work has had.

Who can do it?

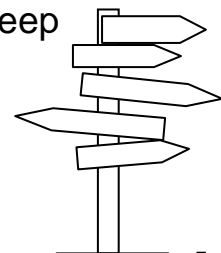
The award is open to all children and young people living in the UK. Most people enter in groups through their school or through a community group.

How can I apply?

Go online and download a submission form from the Impetus website! You will be asked to keep an online diary and fill in quite a long application form!

Website

www.impetusawards.org.uk





What is it?

V is a charity which champion's volunteering across England!

How does it work?

At the moment V only recognises projects which it funds.

Who can do it?

You must be 16 or above.

How can I apply?

As soon as V announce how they can recognise your work on the project - we will let you know!

Website: www.vinspired.com



ASDAN

What is it?

ASDAN is an organisation that accredits young people's work though nationally recognised qualifications.

How does it work?

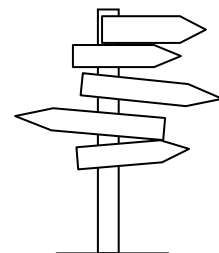
You will have to work with an accredited centre (a place which is already involved with ASDAN - this might be your local youth service). The award works has lots of different levels of commitment and difficulty!

Who can do it?

Those aged 11 and above.

How can I apply?

ASDAN are introducing some youth volunteering schemes which will be appropriate for Geneva volunteers. Watch this space!



Website: www.asdan.co.uk

Local awards

Local councils and local communities offer special awards for children and young people.

They are designed to recognise the work of children and young people in their local community.

Website

Find out the details of your local council here:

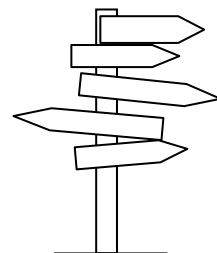
<http://www.direct.gov.uk/en/DI1/Directories/Localcouncils/index.htm>

Call your local council, to find out if they run any local awards for children and young people! If you are feeling nervous about this, ask an adult to help, or write it down on a piece of paper before you call.

Have a look through your local newspaper too, they always showcase great work in the community!

Other places to look for local award/schemes:

- School college notice boards
- Connexions centre
- Youth centre
- Ask your youth/participation worker
- Ask your teacher.



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