



The Sathya Sai Sanctuary Trust for Nature Volunteering in 2026

Could you be a Sathya Sai Sanctuary Trust for Nature Volunteer?

We have always had wonderful volunteers at the Sathya Sai Sanctuary Trust for Nature and we are always looking for more! Please get in touch if you have a few hours a week where you could help us out.

Our team of volunteers provide much needed help with the mucking out/cleaning of sheds, feeding, grooming and a myriad of other small jobs throughout the year, in all weathers. This often involves a lot of manual labour but there's always time for petting, cuddling and talking to the donkeys/horses and giving them treats; their favourites are ginger biscuits.

You can volunteer for any day of the week and for any amount of time; mornings between 9.30am and 12.30pm are always much appreciated as this is a busy time of day.

Having your own transport is desired as we are situated 4kms up a very large hill from the main bus route at Castlebaldwin. A lot of the work is outside, so warm, and preferably weatherproof, clothing is advised; especially wellies or other waterproof footwear.

A cuppa and biscuits are provided at mid-morning break but please bring your own food if you wish.

Our Aims & Objectives

- To offer a place of peace and refuge for old, injured, unwanted, abandoned, neglected and abused donkeys, horses and mules in Ireland.
- To provide care and a safe environment for them to live their lives free from suffering, cruelty, sickness or loneliness.

What's Required *(or what skills scan you offer us?)*

As Sue once wrote, "Volunteers have come and gone, each putting in their own personal energies and leaving legacies from websites to donkeys sheds, from painted gates to ragwort free fields". The list of tasks is endless. It's not just mucking out, sweeping yards, or moving heavy bags of feed or bedding, but we do need these things doing too!

We need people who care about animals, who are willing to help where needed.

People with Trades, Operative or Manual skills are always welcome; as are people who can drive a tractor or a quad.

A basic level of english language.

Over 18 years only please if you use the Volunteer form.

If you are under 18 years and wish to volunteer, please contact us for more information.

Benefits You Will Receive as a Volunteer

Training in your volunteer role.

The chance to work with a variety of animals who all have their own personalities, including likes and dislikes. This may also include working with animals that have health problems, or injuries, or animals being treated or recovering.

You will also be able to meet and work with different, interesting, people in the great outdoors, in a beautiful part of County Sligo, and enjoy a lovely cup of tea /coffee when the work is done.

Please note there is often a lot of manual labour with this role.

Thank you for your interest and valued support and we look forward to meeting you.

Please return your completed form to:

Anja Rosler, Volunteer Coordinator

by email to: volunteers.sai.donkeys@gmail.com

by post to: Anja Rosler, Sathya Sai Sanctuary Trust for Nature, Cloghoge Lower,
Castlebaldwin, County Sligo, F52H046, Ireland





The Sathya Sai Sanctuary Trust for Nature Volunteer Application Form 2026

Name:

Address:

Eircode:

Email (if applicable):

Tel:

Mobile:

Are you over 18 years?

Yes

No

Do you have any health issues we need to be aware of? (*Please specify*):

Have you any particular skills that you hope to use in your volunteering?

Have you had any previous volunteering experience?

How did you hear about the Sanctuary Volunteer Programme?

What day(s) of the week/number of hours would you be available to volunteer?

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday

As part of our recruitment process, we would ask you to give the names of two people (*NOT friends or family members*) who would know you well and who would be able to act as referees for your application. (*e.g. employer, doctor, clergy, support worker, previous volunteer organisation*)

Name:
Relationship to you:
Address:
Tel:
Email:

Name:
Relationship to you:
Address:
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Email:

Please note, your application will NOT be complete until these references have been received.

Have you ever been asked to leave a volunteer role at an organisation in the past?		
YES	NO	<i>If you answer YES, we will contact you for further information.</i>

Thank you for applying to be a Volunteer with The Sathya Sai Sanctuary Trust for Nature	
Your details will be held securely and will remain confidential.	
"I declare that the information I have given is accurate and true."	
Name (block capitals):	Date:
Signature:	

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