

Service Category	Funding	
Entity	SOS Malta	
Activity Sector	Development Aid	
Logo of the Entity		
Brief Description of the Entity	<p>SOS Malta is a non governmental organisation working in Malta and overseas that aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - assist all peoples through projects of a social and charitable nature; - provide assistance to the poor helping them to improve quality of life; - help to enhance the knowledge and skills of those it serves; - advocate on behalf of the poor; - promote models of good care and practice; <p>wih the final goal of iding people experiencing times of crisis and empowering them by providing support services and opportunities to implement development and change in their country to ensure a better quality of life.</p> <p>Its main pillars of activity are the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Overseas Development and Emergency Aid; - Volunteering; - Social Solidarity; - Research and Training. <p>In this context, SOS Malta has promoted volunteering from the moment of its inception. The philosophy behind the organization has always been one of volunteerism. SOS Malta also believes that volunteers add diversity to any organization, impact on social isolation, increase efficiency and increase enjoyment for paid staff. In more recent years, SOS Malta enhanced the promotion of volunteering even locally. SOS Malta believes that volunteers should be a key element in the implementation to all social programmes. The rich mix of skills which volunteers bring with them enlarges the scope of social programmes, but most importantly enlarges and reinforces the dimension of community support.</p> <p>SOS Malta also coordinates a national award for Volunteering (SOS Malta Award for Volunteering). The first goal is to help young people improve their skills and employment prospects by giving them an opportunity to take up volunteering as part of their non-formal and informal learning process. It will also enable them to discover the value of voluntary service and helps to foster a sense of community and active citizenship.</p> <p>In the past SOS Malta was involved in a research international project linked to the volunteering landscape in Europe (Volunteering across Europe).</p>	
Representative Image		
Service	Youth Voluntary Work Scheme	
Duration of the service	1 year	

<p>Service used write up</p>	<p>Currently, SOS Malta runs a national volunteering project linked to health (VolServ). This project received the support of the Malta Council for the Voluntary Organisation through the Youth Voluntary Work Scheme: SOS Malta in fact submitted an Accreditation Application (AA) to become Host Voluntary Organisations. Training on Communication Skills, Basic Hygiene and Volunteering in Healthcare is also provided to volunteers that apply to work with SOS Malta prior to and during their voluntary service.</p> <p>The voluntary services provided aim to satisfy the needs identified by the hospital staff and more specifically:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Greeting and Guiding Service; - Outpatient Clinics; - Tea and Coffee Service; - Telephone Assistance; - Renal Unit; - Wards.
<p>Duration of the service</p>	<p>1 YEAR</p>
<p>Who provided the service</p>	<p>Malta Council for the Voluntary Sector</p>
<p>Output / Benefits</p>	<p>Volunteers carrying out voluntary work at the Mater Dei Hospital all year round.</p>