

## AWARD-WINNING BOOKFEST OPENS JUNE 12

Lifeline's award-winning fundraiser and the world's biggest second-hand book sale will be opening its doors on the Queen's Birthday long weekend.

Supported by 612 ABC, the Lifeline Brisbane Bookfest will run from June 12-15 at the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre.

Bookfest Coordinator, Roy Frith, said although the June Bookfest does not run for as long as the January Bookfest, there are still plenty of bargains to find.

"This year, the Lifeline Bookfest is being held on the Queen's Birthday long weekend, allowing full-time workers an extra day of shopping," Mr Frith said.

"Just like the January Bookfest, we'll still have 2 million books sorted in 22 categories, ensuring you'll walk away with a new read," he said.

The Lifeline Bookfest events are only made possible with the help of volunteers who set up, pack, unpack, sort, price, and check out books, puzzles, DVDs, cassettes, CDs and videos.

"Lifeline Brisbane Volunteers Manager Anastasia Magriplis said volunteers are an integral part of each Bookfest, and the event would not be possible without their commitment.

"In January, we had over 350 volunteers doing everything from packing, sorting and pricing books, to setting up, packing down and tidying up the books at the end of each day.

"Volunteers come from a range of backgrounds with diverse skills and experiences, ranging from professionals, university students and high school children. All jobs would suit anyone and are easy and fun!" Ms Magriplis said.

These volunteers willingly offer their time and energy, supporting Lifeline in raising funds for the 24 hour Crisis Counselling Line, free face-to-face counselling and support programs for children and families.

To find out more about volunteering at Lifeline Community Care, contact Anastasia on 3250 1927 or email [volunteer@lccq.org.au](mailto:volunteer@lccq.org.au)

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