

THE ROLE AND SIGNIFICANCE OF THE VOLUNTEER MOVEMENT IN THE
FORMATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF YOUTH PERSONALITY

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Annotation: This paper examines the necessity of developing the institution of volunteerism among youth as a manifestation of civil society. The idea of volunteer work can become not only a way to express selfless help to society but also a value-based guide, promoting honor, patriotism, and humanity.

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Introduction:

When analyzing this article, it is essential to note that youth actively participate in various volunteer movements. Today's perspective on volunteer movements focuses on addressing crucial tasks related to achieving competitiveness and, in particular, professional competence. Active participation in volunteer movements enables youth to acquire necessary skills.

In the modern world, volunteering is a vital component of successful social development, capable of assisting in solving pressing socio-economic problems in the state and improving people's quality of life. The concepts of "volunteer" and "volunteering" originate from the French "volontair" - voluntary, which in turn comes from the Latin "voluntarius", "voluntas" - good will, and are equivalent to such Slavic-language concepts as "volunteer" and "volunteering," understood as volunteer work.

Considering this, there is interest in further examining the role and necessity of volunteer work and the volunteer movement. Let's start by looking at the organization of the youth movement, using volunteer work as an example. Youth movements, in particular, allow for the identification of additional personnel, specifically, for the subsequent implementation of various social programs in the political sphere. The active work of volunteer movements has a positive impact not only on political processes, but also, in part, on the economy. The development of initiative and responsibility among young people potentially contributes to improving the quality of life.

The Principles of the Volunteer Movement:

When analyzing the work of the volunteer movement, it is necessary to consider its fundamental principles, with the principle of voluntariness being paramount. Of course, every young person has the right to participate or not participate in the activity we are considering. Participation in the volunteer movement should only occur with the voluntary consent of the participant [1, 53].

During the period of this activity, the participant must have a serious approach to all obligations assigned to them, while taking into account the fact that all conditions should be agreed upon based on a contract or a voluntary contract, and have legal force if necessary. The goal of the volunteer movement is to provide assistance to others and, in doing so, to improve oneself directly during the period of providing such selfless assistance. Participation in volunteer work should not have the

purpose of material enrichment; therefore, volunteer work is not a source of income [2, 32].

Social Significance and Impact:

The factor of social significance of the volunteer movement is manifested in the fact that its representatives bear a certain responsibility, performing work aimed at meeting the needs of modern society. Nevertheless, the social importance of the volunteer movement, its relevance, is determined by the effectiveness of the achieved final result. At the same time, volunteer work contributes to the additional education of young people, the development of leadership qualities and moral values in them [3, 12].

Increasing civic activity by engaging young people in independently addressing the numerous problems of society provides the younger generation with the opportunity to take responsibility for organizing volunteer work.

Unlocking Potential and Building Character: The Impact of Volunteering on Youth

The process of examining the numerous motivations behind volunteer work requires attention to the realization of personal potential, which lies in the manifestation of the young person's direct abilities and opportunities. Maintaining and developing existing positive qualities is crucial, which can play a significant role in the volunteer's entire future life.

At this moment, we can conclude that various volunteer movements fulfill important tasks, allowing young people to develop specific skills that contribute to achieving competitiveness and professional competencies. The volunteer movement allows any person to find within themselves what they consider to be important and meaningful, contributing to the reinforcement and development of such qualities.

Social Support and Self-Discovery:

A crucial factor is the attitude towards the participant's volunteer activities from their environment. A positive attitude contributes to self-affirmation and the conclusion that they are needed to carry out a particular type of volunteer work. Volunteer work is an opportunity to express oneself, to present one's life position, to find one's place in the system of social relations.

Beyond Professional Skills:

In addition to developing professional skills, participation in the volunteer movement also provides an opportunity to acquire valuable skills, even if they may not be directly related to the young person's professional choice but may play an important role in their future life journey.

Community and Connection:

Based on all of the above, we can conclude that in the modern period, engaging in volunteer work provides young people with an additional opportunity to interact with like-minded individuals. Volunteer work itself creates opportunities to subsequently acquire like-minded individuals and thereby find a circle of communication that is definitively meaningful for the future, where they can receive support in the form of friendly and companionable relationships.

Encouraging and Supporting Volunteerism:

Thus, involving young people in volunteer work should rely on groups of motives related to the usefulness of this activity for a future profession, using systematic work of government bodies and the formation of comprehensive programs to support volunteers. Also important for a volunteer in their future work is the acquisition of personal qualities, including leadership experience, gained as a result of social interactions. Volunteer work subsequently provides young people with the opportunity to express themselves as selfless helpers, thereby gaining experience and acquiring skills that are quite relevant for their future lives.

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