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TAC L2P MENTOR
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Clinton has been volunteering for our TAC L2P Program for five years.



Why do you choose to volunteer in your local community?

I volunteer because some young people need the extra support getting their hours up for their probationary licence, which in turn hopefully improves their approach to driving safely when they do get their 'P' plates. Seeing a young person 'graduate' and get their driver's licence is a wonderfully fulfilling feeling.

What does your volunteer role entail?

I mentor learner drivers. This involves going for drives at different times and in different conditions. One drive might be a highway drive at night, and another drive could be on gravel roads in the rain. Drives can be anything from an hour to several hours long. The role mostly entails observing the driver as they practice behind the wheel but occasionally involves providing advice too - like what to do when a header is taking up the whole road!

What do you enjoy most about volunteering?

Helping young people achieve their goals is where I feel enjoyment. It's just nice to see someone get their 'P' plates after months of practice behind the wheel.

How has volunteering impacted your life?

It can be time consuming, I must be honest here, but the time pays off in satisfaction in the knowledge that something good is being done - not just for the learner driver - for the community as a whole. Encouraging safer drivers makes for safer roads for all of us.

What would you say to anyone thinking about volunteering in the community?

Get in there and do it. You can help as much as you can, and it doesn't have to be too much to make a difference. Most weeks I only put in a couple of hours, yet it all adds up.