

## HSBC Malta creating positive community outcomes

HSBC Bank Malta's Volunteer Leave Day is continuing to inspire a large number of its team members to roll up their sleeves and engage in creating positive outcomes for themselves and the community.

In the first half of 2017, team members dedicated time cleaning parks, painting care homes, promoting water conservation, and raising funds for NGOs.

After spending a day working at the I-Majjistral Nature & History Park, volunteer Catherine Farrugia said: "It was a day very well spent. The staff there are very nice and took the time to explain to us their roles. Even though the work they do often goes without recognition and is prone to vandalism, what is remarkable to me is that they still keep on doing it."

"We built a wall for a specific pathway. It was physically strenuous but very rewarding," said a beaming Ms Farrugia.

Further to hands-on volunteer efforts, the Bank, through the HSBC Malta Foundation continued to demonstrate its corporate social responsibility by financing important causes. Of note are the Foundation's support to the JAYE Malta Foundation, Fondazzjoni Patrimonju Malti, Nature Trust Malta, and the President's fund to visit Maltese patients and their families in UK hospitals.

The enthusiasm of the HSBC team members has been contagious as the HSBC Malta retirees too have been lending their time through the 'HSBC Experience in Action' initiative. Of a number of contributions, a group of retirees are currently putting in half a day per month to categories and organise the St Agatha school library in Rabat.

HSBC's volunteers have, over the years, contributed to some of Malta's most visited tourist sites such as Argotti Botanic Gardens (Floriana), the Palazzo Falson (Mdina), and Notarial Archives (Valletta) to name just a few. New projects for 2017 include Il-Majjistral Nature & History Park, Casa Rocca Piccola, Malta Aviation Museum, St John's Co-Cathedral, Oasi Foundation (Gozo), and select sites of Din l-Art Ħelwa and Heritage Malta.

HSBC Malta CEO Andrew Beane said: "Sharing goodwill is a force multiplier and we have seen firsthand how personal initiatives of our team members have cascaded into the broader society. HSBC is committed to support and engage with the community at a level that can help make a sustained and impactful difference."

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