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## **HSBC Malta Volunteer Leave Day sees 421 employees giving back to the community**

Well over four hundred HSBC Bank Malta employees participated in last year's Volunteer Leave Day initiative, dedicating a day of paid leave to supporting the local community through volunteering at a variety of organisations.

The initiative, a cornerstone of HSBC Malta's corporate responsibility efforts, provides employees with the opportunity to contribute their time and skills to meaningful projects that make a tangible difference. From assisting vulnerable groups at social initiatives like Soup Kitchen Malta to helping preserve Malta's cultural and natural heritage at locations such as the Notarial Archives, Argotti Gardens and Haġar Qim Temples, employees engaged in a wide range of activities aimed at supporting the community.

Participants described the experience as both enriching and humbling. Many noted how volunteering gave them new perspectives on the challenges faced by others and the importance of contributing to the well-being of society.

"The Volunteer Leave Day is more than just a day off work; it's a chance for our colleagues to connect with the community and support the causes that matter most," said Geoffrey Fichte, CEO of HSBC Bank Malta. "At HSBC, we believe in being an active participant in the communities we serve, and it's inspiring to see our team come together to create a positive impact."

The Volunteer Leave Day initiative reflects HSBC Malta's ongoing commitment to fostering a culture of care and collaboration. Through its community-focused programmes, the bank continues to promote values of inclusion, sustainability, and solidarity, ensuring that its impact goes beyond business and into the heart of the communities it serves.



**Photocaption: HSBC Malta employees preparing lesson / classroom materials for students**





**Photocaption: HSBC Bank Malta employees sifting through documents that are part of our collective history at the Notarial Archives**

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