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AWL opens doors on new opportunity

Gold Coast shoppers will soon be able to grab a bargain, enjoy a friendly chat and support a local charity all at once when they visit the Animal Welfare League of Queensland's new opportunity shop.

Located at Jura Parade, Merrimac, it will be the seventh fundraising store for the AWL when its doors open in the first week of March.

AWL volunteer coordinator Jaco Engelbrecht is looking for about 30 people to come forward and help make the new venture a success.

"We'd love to see some people from the local area down there, helping the local community," Mr Engelbrecht said.

"Our shops are very social and it's a place where you can come down, have fun and enjoy a chat."

He said volunteers would help to sort goods, price items, chat to customers and "just have lots of fun".

AWL opportunity shops are a vital source of funds, with all monies raised going directly to the daily operations of the league, ensuring we can continue to care for and rehome an estimated 12,000 animals from south-east Queensland each year.

The AWL receives no government funding for its welfare work, so relies heavily on the goodwill and generosity of the local community.

For more information or to offer your time as a volunteer, please call volunteer coordinator Jaco Engelbrecht on (07) 5509 9019 or email volunteering@awlqld.com.au

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