



Volunteer Calgary's update of resources and activities within the voluntary sector

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CALLING ALL OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEERS!

It's not too late! We are still looking for outstanding volunteers for the [14th Annual Leadership Awards!](#)

Nominate them for one of these [8 award categories](#):

- * **Heart of Calgary**
- * **Leaders of Tomorrow**
- * **Leaders in Employee Volunteering**
- * **Leader in Volunteer Engagement**
- * **Leader in Volunteer Management**
- * **Volunteer Family**
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If you know someone who might be a good candidate for an award, now is your chance to give them the recognition they deserve.

ALL nominees will get a chance to be recognized at the nominee announcement event, a casual gathering of volunteers and the people that nominated them.

Whip out your pens or flex your typing fingers and send in a nomination today.

Deadline for nominations is on [January 15, 2010](#).

To begin the nomination process, click [here](#).

VOLUNTEER CALGARY TRAINING COURSES

Start the year right with these upcoming training courses.

[January 20, 21 - Elements of Volunteer Engagement \(EVE\)](#)

Your introduction to volunteer management! Updated to include strategic volunteer engagement.

Learn:

- Planning for volunteer involvement
- Creating risk management process
- Designing positions and contracts
- Recruiting, retaining, recognizing volunteers

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

[Wildrose Global Poverty Funds](#)

Brings change to individuals who need assistance, by collecting and conducting financial assistance and building a better foundation so that life can become more positive and healthy.

[W & M Dance Projects of Calgary Association](#)

Inspires the positive development of the art form of dance in our communities through the creation of dance work, the development of artists, and by providing mentorship and ladders to success for developing young artists.

[Family Connections – Parent Link Centre](#)

Providing parent support and education.

FOR MEMBERS ONLY

Membership Benefits:

- ✓ **Free** ad posting on [VC website!](#)
- ✓ **Free** 1-hour consultation with VC staff.
- ✓ **Free** membership to [VC Library](#).
- ✓ **Free** inclusion in [Weekly Volunteer Highlights!](#)
- ✓ **Discounted rate** for the annual [Media Guide](#). Order your 2010 copy today!
- ✓ **Discounted rates** for [Training sessions](#).

...and many more!

Contact info@volunteercalgary.ab.ca to inquire!

VOLUNTEER IN PROFILE

In partnership with
CTV
Volunteer Calgary presents

November's VIP
Megan Bowen
A volunteer with
Telus World of Science

Suitable for:

- New Managers of Volunteers
- Staff new to working with volunteers.

January 28 – Interview Techniques

Want to interview more effectively? Looking to find the best match?

Learn:

- Various interview techniques
- How to construct the best questions for the best matches

Suitable for:

- Managers of Volunteers

February 4 – Volunteers in Legislation

Wondering what laws apply to your volunteer program? Look no further!

Learn:

- What you can ask in an interview
- Who is eligible to Volunteer
- Standards set by employment law

Suitable for:

- Managers of Volunteers

Feb 18 – Employee Volunteerism

Create and manage effective projects with corporations!

Learn:

- Planning for Group Involvement
- Project Management

Suitable for:

- Managers of Volunteers
- Staff supervising Employee Groups

Feb 25 – Recruitment 2.0

Be hip with the times! Use Facebook, Twitter and other social media to recruit new volunteers who use social media tools!

Learn:

- Social Networking tools on the web (eg. Facebook, Twitter)
- Benefits/success stories

Suitable for:

- Managers of Volunteers
- Staff working with volunteers

Check out all our available training programs [here](#). Volunteer Calgary offers training courses year-round designed to aid in your pursuit of professional knowledge.

All workshops are held here at VC. Cost is \$75/member \$85/non/member for 1/2 day. EVE cost is \$275/member and \$350/non-member.

Hours for 1/2 day are 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Hours for two-full day are 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Watch it [here](#).

Your volunteer could be the Next VIP on TV!

A partnership between Volunteer Calgary and CTV allows member organizations to nominate their volunteers to be the next VIP.

As CTV's VIP of the month, the lucky volunteer will get some well-deserved air time. Tell the tale of your amazing volunteers!







[Click to nominate the next VIP.](#)

IMPORTANT DATES

Check out the [Community Event Calendar](#) for other important dates

WHAT'S NEW AT THE LIBRARY?

Here are some titles on the shelves for your holiday reading:

-  Complete idiot's guide to giving back / Ziembra, Elizabeth. 2009.
-  How to communicate more effectively with donors, members and volunteers : 105 useful communications tips, techniques and procedures 2009.
-  Policy governance model and the role of the board member / Carver, John; Carver, Miriam. 2009.
-  Evaluating CEO and board performance / Carver, John; Carver, Miriam. 2009.
-  The governance of financial management / Carver, John; Carver, Miriam.2009.
-  Adjacent leadership roles: CGO and CEO / Carver, John; Carver, Miriam. 2009.

Click [here](#) to view other titles. ALL materials on the list are available at the VC Library!

WHAT ARE YOU READING?

Send a brief review on your recent read and we'll add it on to the book list! Email library@volunteercalgary.ab.ca

VC ONLINE

To register, email Helen Shaver at registration@volunteercalgary.ab.ca.

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We have **251 fans** on Facebook.!

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There is no greater happiness than that which comes from sharing... no greater joy than that which comes from loving giving and caring.

- Anonymous