



ANNUAL REPORT

2023-2024



Volunteer BC

MESSAGE FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Subrina Herbst-Monteith
Volunteer BC Executive Director

Volunteer BC welcomes **Subrina Herbst-Monteith** as Executive Director of Volunteer BC.

Volunteer BC has been very engaged in advocating important issues, establishing valuable partnerships for our members to hosting successful training opportunities around British Columbia. Volunteer BC has demonstrated its mission to be a strong voice for the voluntary and non-profit sector.

Highlights in this report are a testament to our ability to make meaningful contributions to the non-profit sector. We are excited by the possibilities that lie ahead and we are committed to strengthen the sector through education, resources and collaboration.



NVW 2024 PHOTO CONTEST WINNER BLANKET BC SOCIETY

“Just remember, it doesn’t matter how old you are. At Blanket BC Society, all ages can participate and be a #WarmthWarrior! Volunteering at an early age can instill a sense of empathy, responsibility, and community engagement. It helps young people develop important social skills, gain valuable experience, and explore their interests while making a positive impact on the world around them. It’s also help create a BEAUTIFUL COMMUNITY! #CelebrateBCVolunteers Volunteer BC”

OUR IMPACT

Volunteerism is a core component of a healthy and strong BC non-profit sector. BC Volunteers contribute over 269 million hours a year to improve communities throughout the province. Our strength is promoting the value and importance of volunteerism and advocating for volunteer-involved organizations and non-profits.



30 Newsletters



550 Total Social Media Posts



ADVOCACY & PARTNERSHIPS IN ACTION

Our successful advocacy has been built on great relationships and we work tirelessly to advocate for and on behalf of volunteers and volunteer-involving groups to ensure the value of volunteering is recognized. We participate in national and provincial roundtables to ensure our voices are heard.

HIGHLIGHTS



Campbell River Food Bank

Here's a photo of our volunteers, staff members, (and a board member!) sporting orange to honour Truth And Reconciliation Day in 2023.

- **Sector Labour Market Partnership:** Active committee member on labour market study to help identify solutions to sector-wide challenges.
- **Connecting with Sector Leaders:** We remain connected with Volunteer Canada, Volunteer Management Professionals of BC, Board Voice, the Federation, United Way of BC, Autism BC and others working together to build a stronger non-profit sector.
- **Government Letters of Support:** Provide letters with BCACG, Vantage Point and others to government officials asking for measures to help charities and non-profit continue their valuable work.

ACCESS TO EDUCATION

We are committed to supporting and providing accessible learning opportunities for volunteer engagement.

IN THE COMMUNITY

Volunteer BC along with several volunteer centres hosted virtual, hybrid and in-person Community Engagement Sessions around the province. Over 330 participants attended to meet the Volunteer BC Board, network, exchange ideas and learn best practices in volunteer engagement.



Our sessions explored Building a Stellar Volunteer Team, Servant Leadership, Recruitment & Succession Planning to Risk Management.

VOLUNTEER BC & BCACG CONFERENCE



OCTOBER 26 & 27, 2023 | 17
SPEAKERS | 13 SESSIONS | 133
ATTENDEES

We re-connected, celebrated our successes, danced & laughed together. Thank you to all who joined us to learn, exchange ideas and explore the big issues of the sector.



Habitat for Humanity Okanagan

It's Day 3 of Volunteer Appreciation Week, and we're sending a huge THANK YOU to all our volunteers who bring joy and positivity wherever they go. Your impact is immeasurable, and we're so grateful for you!

WE CELEBRATE OUR MEMBERS

We work to connect BC's Volunteer Sector & recognize & celebrate all our members. When you become a member, you make a powerful investment in the BC non-profit sector and help us be a stronger voice for volunteerism.



We announced new benefits with Perkopolis, Grant Advance and recognize members during **National Volunteer Week**, Volunteer Now postings, Member Blog Posts and on social media.

Volunteer BC @volunteerbc · Sep 16
Volunteer BC member @BBBSCVI facilitates life-changing relationships that inspire children and youth to reach their potential. Learn more about them: cvi.bigbrothersbigsisters.ca
Want to be highlighted? Join us and become a member today!
volunteerbc.bc.ca/membership/

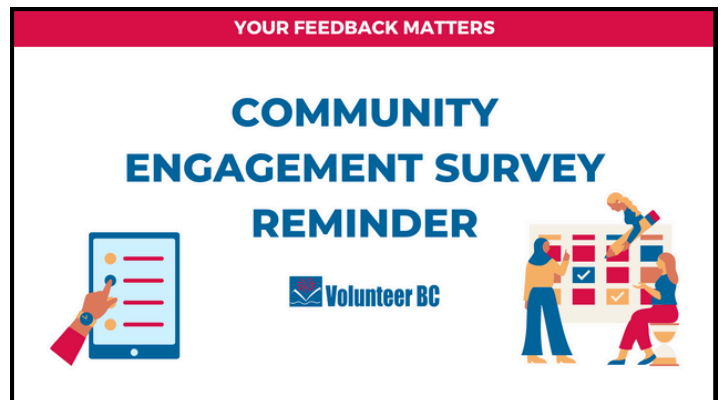


Volunteer BC @volunteerbc · May 29
Check out these new volunteer opportunities from @VanDusenGdn, including Summer Camp Assistant and Discovery Station Volunteer! volbc.bcvolunteer.ca
[#VolunteerOpportunities](#) [#VolunteerBC](#)



ENVIRONMENTAL SCAN

We launched our province wide Community Engagement Survey to learn more about who engages with Volunteer BC, your needs, and interests, so that we can better serve our community, create better education, and deliver value.



Your participation will help us make data driven decisions that align with the needs and interests of our broader community. We received more than 120 responses and will share the highlights and results in the Fall.

OUR DEDICATED BOARD

Volunteers are the heart of our work. Thank you to our board and staff for their tireless efforts and talents.

OUR STAFF

Subrina Monteith, Executive Director
Lorelynn Hart, Program Director
Rayne Inkster, Admin Support
Charlotte Aaburg, Bookkeeper



CANADA SUMMER STUDENTS

Rayne Inkster, Project Officer
Lina Nhoisaykham, Program Admin



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Immigrant Services Society of BC
The joy of Volunteering together
as a family.

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We acknowledge that we are located on the traditional treaty lands and territories of the BOKÉĆEN, Cowichan Tribes, K'ómoks, Lyackson, MÁLEXEŁ, Qualicum, scəwáθən, səlilwətaʔ, SEMYOME, shíshálh, Sḵwxwú7mesh, Snaw-naw-as, Snuneymuxw, Songhees, Spune'luxutth', STÁUTW, Stz'uminus, ʔaʔəmen, Ts'uubaa-asatx, Wei Wai Kum, We Wai Kai, W JOŁEŁP, WSIKEM, Xeláltxw, Xwémalhkwu, Xwsepsum, and xʷməθkʷəyám First Nations., and that we are guests in the territory of the Indigenous peoples of this land.