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Welcome

This is the Silver Anniversary edition of Okanagan Volunteer Fair. In many ways it is hard to believe it's been 25 years: time has flown by and we are so grateful for the continued partnership of so many of our sponsors, participants and of course, the amazing community of volunteers that comes out each year, looking for their opportunity to give back. We have also seen such tremendous changes in our community since this event first started in 1997. As the communities in the Central Okanagan have expanded, so has the number of organizations serving the growing population. This year is one of our biggest Fairs ever, with 75 organizations participating.

KCR Community Resources as the Volunteer Centre of the Central Okanagan is proud to be a part of supporting non-profit organizations and the volunteers that help them achieve their mission. The Fair is

a special event, a once-a-year celebration that we love to host in conjunction with our community. However, our team is here year-round to lend support. Whether you are a volunteer or a staff member, give us a call, attend a workshop or check our website for resources.

Huge THANK YOUS to our sponsors: the **Central Okanagan Foundation**, **Interior Savings**, the **City of Kelowna**, the **Kelowna Capital News** and **Black Press** and to **BellMedia**, including **Virgin 99.9**, **Move 101.5** and **Talk AM1150**. Their financial commitment makes this all possible.

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Volunteer with us!

Be part of an amazing team making a difference for people each day and helping to raise over \$1 million in donations each year to support healthcare at Kelowna General Hospital and in our communities.

Perking Lot | Rutland Thrift Store | KGH Gift Shop
Royal Bistro | JoeAnna's House

kghfoundation.com/volunteer

KGHFOUNDATION



Abbeyfield Orchard City Society

1531 Bernard Avenue, Kelowna
250-763-5254
ocabbey2@gmail.com
www.abbeyfield.ca/houses/orchard-city
@orchardcityabbeyfield

Orchard City Abbeyfield House is a 10-room retirement home for independent seniors. It is operated by a volunteer board of directors and is charitable non-profit society. Abbeyfield house has provided homes for Kelowna seniors for over twenty-five years. We depend on volunteers for our board members, some operational duties, such as gardening and basic maintenance, and for social recreational activities. Call us to learn more about our volunteer opportunities.



Age-Link Society

101-1865 Dilworth Drive, Kelowna
250-682-8254
executivedirector@agelinksociety.ca
www.agelinksociety.ca
@agelinksociety

Age-Link Society aims to bridge the gap between youth and seniors in Canada. In Kelowna, we work with our chapter at UBCO to create opportunities for university students and seniors in our community to connect, share cultures, and support and learn from each other. All relationships and friendships at Age-Link Society are mutually beneficial. Examples of events held include board games, picnics, annual dinner gala, lunches, trivia games, among others.



Animal Food Bank

250-864-1192
kelowna@animalfoodbank.org
www.animalfoodbank.org
@animalfoodbankcanada

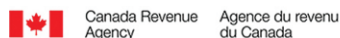
The Animal Food Bank is a volunteer operated organization providing pet food and supplies to no-income, low-income and homeless pet guardians in need. We operate entirely on donations with the aim of keeping loved pets with their owners.



Animal Lifeline Emergency Response Team

Box 208, 113-437 Martin Street,
Penticton
250-809-7152
info@alertcanada.org
www.alertcanada.org
@AnimalLifelineEmergency
ResponseTeam

The Animal Lifeline Emergency Response Team (ALERT) is dedicated to animal welfare through the preparation for and the actual rescue and shelter of domestic animals and livestock during disasters (e.g. fires, floods, etc.) Volunteers are mobilized when local authorities request ALERT's help and when Emergency Management BC's Emergency Support Services is activated. ALERT is 100% volunteer based. We are a registered charity and 100% of our funding comes from donations.



Canada Revenue Agency

604-666-5678
cvitp.pac.regionalcoordinator@cra-arc.gc.ca
www.canada.ca/taxes
@canrevagency

The Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP) is a collaboration between community organizations and the Canada Revenue Agency. Community organizations host free tax preparation clinics and volunteers complete income tax returns for eligible individuals. Canada Revenue Agency offers free training and tax-software for the volunteers. To register to become a volunteer, or to get more information about the CVITP, go to canada.ca/taxes-volunteer or call 1.800.959.8281.



Canadian Cancer Society

Canadian Cancer Society

330 Strathcona Avenue, Kelowna
250-762-6381
jennifer.saunders@cancer.ca
www.cancer.ca
@CanadianCancerSociety

The Canadian Cancer Society works tirelessly to save and improve lives. Thanks to our donors and volunteers, we're able to fund groundbreaking cancer research into all types of cancer, offer support services to help people better manage life with cancer, shape health policies to prevent cancer and support those living with the disease, and offer trusted cancer information for all Canadians.



Canadian Mental Health Association Vernon - Care to Speak

#103-3402 27th Avenue, Vernon
250-542-3114
support@cmhavernon.ca
www.careforcaregivers.ca/caretospeak/
@cmhavernon

Care to Speak is a peer support service that provides free, unbiased and confidential mental health support to anyone working in the Healthcare or Social Services sector. No topic is off-limits. We're here to listen and support you with whatever you need.

Connect with us as many times as you want.
Call or text us at 1-866-802-7337
Monday – Friday from 5pm to 9pm
and Monday – Wednesday
from 10:00am to 2:00pm.



BC & YUKON

Canadian National Institute for the Blind

#106-460 Doyle Avenue, Kelowna
250-763-1191 ext. 6180
vittoria.spindor@cnib.ca
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@myCNIB

Founded in 1918, the CNIB Foundation is a non-profit organization driven to change what it is to be blind today. We deliver innovative programs and powerful advocacy that empower people impacted by blindness to live their dreams and tear down barriers to inclusion. Our work as a blind foundation is powered by a network of volunteers, donors and partners from coast to coast to coast.



Canadian Red Cross

volunteerBCY@redcross.ca
www.redcross.ca/volunteer

The Canadian Red Cross is recruiting new volunteers for our Health Equipment Loan Program (HELP). HELP offers mobility, independence and safety to people recovering from illness or surgery or wishing to spend their final days in their own homes. The HELP Client Services Volunteer provides administrative support like answering the phone and coordinating health equipment loans and returns. We are also recruiting for volunteer roles on our Emergency Management Team.



Central Okanagan Elizabeth Fry Society

649 Leon Avenue, Kelowna
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The Central Okanagan Elizabeth Fry Society is a feminist organization that is dedicated to ending domestic and sexual violence, providing support services, and seeking justice for all survivors in the Central Okanagan Valley.

Our mission is to support and empower survivors of intimate partner violence, sexual abuse or exploitation, and child abuse and neglect. We achieve this through prevention & intervention services in collaboration with community partners.



Central Okanagan Food Bank

Central Okanagan Food Bank

2310 Enterprise Way, Kelowna
250-763-7161

@cofoodbankjennifer
cofoodbank.com
www.cofoodbank.com

Do you enjoy working with others and making a difference in your community? Are you a friendly, outgoing person who enjoys meeting new people? Join the Central Okanagan Food Bank and help us in our cause to create a healthy, hunger-free community. With two locations, multiple shift options and several volunteer opportunities, you'll be sure to find a place in helping make a difference for those who need it most.



Childhood Connections - Okanagan Family & Childcare Society

101-1505 Harvey Avenue,
Kelowna
250-762-3536

@childhoodconnectionsokanagan
admin@childhoodconnections.ca
www.childhoodconnections.ca

Childhood Connections operates programs and services that support the healthy growth and development of children. We see a future where every child in the Central Okanagan receives the care, education and love they need to become confident, compassionate adults. To do this, we support children and those who care for them and rely on volunteers to help in our Toy Library, Drop-in Childcare, Community Kitchen and in our Play Groups.



Citizens for a New Performing Arts Centre

#606, 1947 Underhill Street,
Kelowna

@KCNPAC

kelownaperformingarts@gmail.com
www.kelownaperformingarts.ca

We are a dedicated group of volunteers mobilizing public support for a larger and more modern performing arts space in downtown Kelowna. While the Kelowna Community Theatre has served us well over the past 60 years, it's time for the people of the Central Okanagan to dream bigger. We welcome volunteers with a range of skills. Join our movement!



City of Kelowna

1800 Parkinson Way, Kelowna
250-469-8759

awestlund@kelowna.ca
www.kelowna.ca/recreation

Volunteers assist adults and children participating in recreational programs, camps, or in the fitness & aquatic center. Volunteers can be a great asset to participants with DiverseAbilities, or children that may require that extra bit of help in programs. Positions are primarily located at Parkinson Recreation Centre, but other locations may be available. Training and ongoing support is provided



City of Kelowna - Strong Neighbourhoods

101-1360 Ellis Street, Kelowna
250-469-8008

@CityofKelowna

neighbourhoods@kelowna.ca
www.kelowna.ca/neighbourhoods

Block Connectors are residents who are interested in getting to know their neighbours and build a stronger neighbourhood by connecting face to face with their closest 10-20 neighbours and organizing one gathering per year. Block Connectors are provided with training and resources and are welcome to join regular Community of Practice sessions where they can meet other Block Connectors and learn about a variety of ways to build community.



CONNECT Communities

11438 Bottom Wood Lake Road,
Lake Country
250-469-9358

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marf@connect-communities.ca
www.connectcommunities.ca

You can make a big difference in the lives of people after brain injury and stroke by joining us as a CONNECT volunteer. We have a variety of opportunities for our volunteers



Connect Counselling & Therapy

204-347 Leon Avenue, Kelowna
250-860-3181

reception@connectcounsellingsociety.ca
www.connectcounsellingsociety.ca
@ConnectCounsellingKelowna

Connect Counselling & Therapy is a charitable organization providing cost free counselling for over 35 years. Our experienced counsellors provide services to women, children, youth, men, families, seniors and couples addresses areas such as anxiety, depression, family transition, grief, intimate partner violence, trauma, parenting and so much more!

We are proud to offer a wide diversity in therapeutic approaches including CBT, Somatic Experiencing, Play, Psycho-dynamic theory and Gottman couples approach.



Cool Arts Society

established 2003

201-421 Cawston Avenue, Kelowna
250-899-6381
info@coolarts.ca
www.coolarts.ca
@coolartssociety

Cool Art's mission is to ensure that adults with developmental disabilities are included in the art scene and they have the opportunity to make, exhibit and sell their art.



Elevation Outdoors

P.O. Box 20071 Towne Centre, Kelowna
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programs@elevationoutdoors.ca
www.elevationoutdoors.ca
@elevationoutdoorscanada

Our volunteers' passion, leadership, and positive example get our participants excited to try new things, step outside of their comfort zones, and positively shape their lives! We are always looking for passionate individuals that want to come out and share their love for outdoor activities while being a positive role model for our participants, who may not otherwise get an opportunity to participate in such activities.



Emergency Support Services Central Okanagan - Provincial Emergency Program

2255 Enterprise Way, Kelowna
250-215-1789
Eeoc.ess@kelowna.ca

Emergency Support Services (ESS) is a Provincial Program delivered by local authorities and First Nations to meet the basic needs of British Columbians impacted by disasters by providing short-term support in a compassionate manner. This includes providing temporary relief to individuals and families so they can begin to plan their next steps to recover after a disaster. Primary services include food, lodging, clothing, and family reunification.



Fresh Outlook Foundation

1101-21st Avenue, Vernon
250-300-8797

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@FreshOutlookFoundation

The Fresh Outlook Foundation produces HEADS UP Community Mental Health podcasts, and articles to build mental health literacy. Each piece explores a single topic with a mix of information and inspiration from mental health professionals, people with lived experience of mental illness and recovery, research and technology experts, government and business leaders, and advocates of all stripes. We're always looking for help with administration, promotion, fundraising, research/writing, and audio editing!



Friends of Okanagan Rail Trail (FORT)

c/o 160 Whitetail Ridge, Vernon
250-503-5444
volunteer@okanaganrailtrail.com
www.okanaganrailtrail.ca
@okanaganrailtrail

Local volunteers who support the trail call themselves Friends of Okanagan Rail Trail, or FORT for short. FORT is a volunteer, non-profit organization and the official non-government partner to the rail trail owner jurisdictions. FORT programs and activities are coordinated with owner jurisdictions and include:

- Trail Ambassadors, Trail Stewards and other volunteers
- Trail Improvement and Input to Planning
- Fundraising
- Communication



Gambling Support BC - Peachland Support Services

250-417-0819
pentictonap@gmail.com
www.freegamblinghelp.ca

Free & Confidential Help & Support for Families and Individuals who are Impacted by Gambling and Gaming. This support service is for anyone affected by gambling and gaming. Connecting any Okanagan-Similkameen BC resident for the support they need.



Global Empowerment Coalition of the Central Okanagan (GECCO)

gecco@bccic.ca
www.bccic.ca/gecco
@GECCO.BC

Are you interested in environmental, social and economic sustainability? Join us! GECCO is the local Chapter of the BC Council for International Cooperation. GECCO connects, educates, and motivates transformative change in the Okanagan community to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals. GECCO hosts a variety of events throughout the year, on topics such as waste reduction, climate action, and youth empowerment. Join our mailing list. Follow us on social media (@GECCOBC)

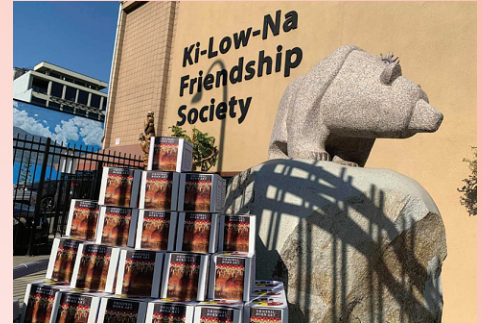
New Social Enterprise

Original Born Art (OBA) is a new social enterprise launched by Ki-Low-Na Friendship Society that creates a sustainable funding strategy for their Cecemala (Youth) Services Department. KFS launched OBA on May 27th, 2021, in honour of the 215+. OBA increases opportunities for Indigenous youth through culture, employment, mentorship, and art. OBA worked in collaboration with Enactus and Elevate on a 6-month pilot-test to provide a culturally-safe environment where Indigenous youth can realize their talents and channel their creativity. Youth will be encouraged to adopt entrepreneurial competencies and strengthen their skill, while being supported by Enactus students and their network for continual growth. Vocational, entrepreneurship, and capacity-building workshops were offered to each OBA participant, along with a combination of traditional and contemporary art. OBA youth were given the opportunity to learn how to establish an e-commerce product line using graphic design, sublimation printing, and heat-press vinyl printing. Products made by the youth will be sold on KFS's new e-commerce webpage. All funds raised will be redirected back into KFS's Cecemala Services Department to cover a combination of land-based, art therapy programming, and wrap-around services. Not only will this create a sustainable revenue stream for the department, but it will ensure youth are being supported with their emotional, mental, physical, and spiritual well-being throughout their healing journey.

OBA understands that our youth and our culture represent the future and that we must always think about the next generation. As such OBA aims to



empower Indigenous youth, reconnect them with their culture and reinvigorate traditional practices and teachings while creating opportunities that will benefit them for the rest of their lives. Our goal is to establish a better world for our next generation, while preserving, sharing, and promoting Indigenous cultural distinctiveness.



Volunteers4All Match Volunteers with Organizations

Have you been wanting to volunteer but aren't sure what would be the right fit for you? Do you want to expand and build your skills to move into a new career and see volunteering as a great stepping stone for you? Are you new to Kelowna and want to get connected to the many great non-profit organizations that make the Central Okanagan such a special place?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, or you aren't sure what volunteerism could look like for you, get in touch with the Volunteer4All Coordinator at KCR to develop your personal goals and plan.

KCR Community Resources, with funding from Prospera Credit Union, has developed the Volunteers4All program to assist individuals in finding meaningful volunteer opportunities within the community. As the demand for services grows in the Okanagan, many not-for-profit organizations are turning to volunteers to help meet the growing needs of the community. The Volunteers4All program is designed to work with volunteers and agencies within the community to find the best possible placement that benefits both the volunteer and the agency.

The Volunteers4All program helps to reduce the barriers to volunteering some may face through one-on-one assistance from the Volunteers4All Coordinator. They will be with you every step of the way to cheer you on and guide you. If you are interested in gaining new skills, building your portfolio, gaining confidence, gaining experience for a new job, or you simply want to give back to the community then contact us at community@kcr.ca to get started right away.

VOLUNTEER

ENRICH THE LIVES OF OTHERS.

You have a lifetime of knowledge and skills. Bring us your passion and one hour a week to help the Y enrich the lives of others in our community. Tell us what you love to do, or what skill you would like to learn, and we will find a role that is a true match.

BRING YOUR PASSION
YMCASIBC.CA/VOLUNTEER





Habitat for Humanity Okanagan
www.habitatforhumanityokanagan.ca/volunteer/

Habitat for Humanity Okanagan has been in the Okanagan valley since 1992. We serve the Okanagan region from Armstrong to Osoyoos BC. Volunteers are the life of our organization. Habitat volunteers contribute approximately 30,000 hours every year. Volunteering with us is an opportunity to connect with others like you, who want to give back to the community in a way that impacts local families.

HANDS IN SERVICE

LOVE · GIVES · BACK

Hands in Service
 206-1889 Springfield Road,
 Kelowna
 250-861-5465
info@handsinservice.ca
www.handsinservice.ca
 @LoveGivesBack

Our Mission at Hands in service is to provide free, compassionate in-home assistance, referral services and access to food security for individuals with socioeconomic, mobility, and health challenges.

We are focused on meeting needs, valuing people and building relationships because we believe that every individual deserves dignity and respect. We are building Community by offering and encouraging volunteer opportunities and volunteer service benefiting clients and volunteers alike.



Helen's Acres Community Farm
 1905 Springfield Road, Kelowna
 250-860-3273
communications@helensacres.com
www.helensacres.com
 @helensacreskelowna

Helen's Acres is a 24-acre non-profit community farm, centrally located in Kelowna. We grow, harvest and donate produce to our community partners to distribute to food-insecure individuals and families. We aim to connect our community, educate them on our food system, but most importantly, feed those in need. We encourage our volunteers to bring their knowledge and skills and a passion for helping others.



Her International
 PO Box 30034 RPO Glenpark,
 Kelowna
 250-762-3536
info@herinternational.org
www.herinternational.org
 @HerInternational.org

Her International offers educational opportunities and life skills to marginalized women and girls. Overseas we provide educational scholarships, offer literacy and life skill courses, and run micro-credit groups. In Canada we have a self-development and leadership training program for teens. Her International volunteers can volunteer at events, launch a fundraising campaign, write our social media campaigns, or offer their own unique expertise.



HOPE Outreach
 401-2750 Auburn Road, Kelowna
 250-864-0399
www.hopeokanagan.com
 @hopeokanagan

HOPE Outreach is the only night time outreach in the downtown area of Kelowna and Vernon. We are looking for volunteers in both cities on two separate teams, Ladies Team and Narcan Team. Full training and outreach supplies given. Visit www.hopeokanagan.com to register, or volunteer with us at Jewels of HOPE www.jewelsofhope.ca.



Inner Fish Theatre Society
 379 Burne Avenue, Kelowna
 250-241-0907
willcullen.ma@gmail.com
www.livingthingsfestival.com
 @livingthingskelowna

Kelowna's International Arts Festival has ground-breaking theatre, art and performances that will leave you feeling exhilarated.

These are shows that get big cities buzzing... and they're coming here. Once a year, we present internationally acclaimed experiences, giving our community powerful experiences they never could have imagined. We are looking for volunteer ushers, drivers, and more, to help make Living Things 2023 a success. Free tickets and other benefits available.



Interior Health Authority
 2255 Ethel Street, Kelowna
 250-212-8418
LTCvolunteerservices@interiorhealth.ca
www.interiorhealth.ca/get-involved/volunteer
 @InteriorHealth

The 4 long-term care homes in the Central Okanagan have volunteers who assist in many ways.

Opportunities exist no matter your age. Whether you enjoy visiting, helping with a program, special event or an outing, volunteers help to brighten the day for the people who live at Brookhaven, Cottonwoods, David Lloyd-Jones and Three Links.

Call us at 250.212.8418 for more information. Be a Friend, Be a Neighbour, Be a Volunteer!



Interior Health Community Care
 505 Doyle Avenue, Kelowna
 250-980-1558
COKCommunityVolunteerServices@interiorhealth.ca
www.interiorhealth.ca
 @InteriorHealth

Community Volunteers play an important role in supporting individuals, to promote independence and provide respite to caregivers. They create a community environment in the clinical setting, assist clients with groceries, drive them to appointments and engage in socialization and recreation. Each year, our Volunteers contribute up to 8,000 hours or an in-kind equivalent of \$215,000. Join Community Volunteer Services today and make a difference in someone's life!

John Howard Society of Okanagan & Kootenay

1440 St. Paul Street, Kelowna
250-763-1331
info@jhsok.ca

www.johnhowardbc.ca/okanagan-kootenay/
@johnhowardsociety.okanagan

John Howard Okanagan & Kootenay has a strong history of assisting individuals experiencing a variety of challenges and social issues such as poverty, homelessness, mental health concerns, neurodevelopmental disabilities, and involvement in the criminal justice system. We contribute to community wellness by offering services that support clients in a number of areas, including providing supportive housing, community reintegration programs, advocacy, support with mental health and addictions.

Member of JA Canada

Junior Achievement of BC (JABC)

360-475 West Georgia Street, Vancouver
604-688-3887
info@jabc.org
www.jabc.ca
JABritishColumbia

JA British Columbia (JABC) is a not-for-profit impact organization that delivers hands-on, immersive education in work readiness, financial health, and entrepreneurship. Volunteers deliver JA programs to students in-class or virtually across BC in as little as 1-4 hours, depending on the program. We provide training and materials. All you need is to be willing to share your expertise and energy with students. For more information, please visit: www.jabc.ca

KCR Community Resources

620 Leon Avenue, Kelowna
250-763-8008
volunteer@kcr.ca
www.kcr.ca
@KCRCommunity

Volunteers are at the heart of KCR's programs and services. Help newcomers feel welcome in our community. Provide support and resources to assist people in crisis. Become a mentor to parents and connect them with community resources. Share your knowledge and expertise as a workshop facilitator. Provide practical support and connection for newcomers seeking employment. All activities are conducted with the safety of our volunteers, participants and staff in mind.

KCR Community Resources Employment Services

620 Leon Avenue, Kelowna
250-763-8008
employmentservices@kcr.ca
www.kcr.ca
@KCRCommunity

KCR's Employment Services help unemployed and under-employed individuals identify career and educational goals, develop essential job skills, and navigate the job search process. We also collaborate with employers and community partners in the Central Okanagan to provide a range of services from labour market information, recruitment, and employer advisory panels.

VOLUNTEERING

makes our community better



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A message from your local MLAs



Kelowna a District S.H.A.R.E. Society

Kelowna & District SHARE Society

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250-763-8117
info@kelownasharesociety.ca
<https://www.kelownasharesociety.ca/>
@kelownasharesociety

SHARE Society is a non-profit organization, dedicated to giving back with social programs and our thrift store. Our volunteers are at the heart of what we do. We have flexible roles to work towards personal and professional goals. Volunteers can gain experience to build their resume, learn about Canada and practice English, complete school hours, use specialized skills, or build community. Our volunteers make a real difference everyday serving Kelowna.

KELOWNA ART GALLERY

Kelowna Art Gallery

1315 Water Street, Kelowna
250-762-2226
info@kelownaartgallery.com
www.kelownaartgallery.com
@KelownaArtGallery

Be a part of the teams that host school tours and put on art-related events at the Kelowna Art Gallery throughout the year. Art is for all of us. We currently have two volunteer opportunities available:

- Volunteer Docents – play a supporting role with school tours for children in grades K-12
- Event Volunteers – assist with the team that hosts art openings, and other special events



Kelowna Community Music School Society
728 Dehart Avenue, Kelowna
250-860-1737
execdir.kcms@shaw.ca
www.kelownacommunitymusicschool.ca
@kelownacommunitymusicschool

Since 1976, KCMS has had the privilege of providing expert and accessible music education to our community. We have just embarked on a search for a new home and are on the lookout for committed Board members to join our team on this exciting journey of discovery and growth. We look forward to sharing our story with you!



Kelowna Community Theatre
1375 Water Street, Kelowna
250-469-8844
theatre@kelowna.ca
www.theatre.kelowna.ca/about/volunteer-opportunities

Volunteering at the Kelowna Community Theatre (KCT) is an excellent way to meet people, learn new skills, and become involved in the local arts community. KCT relies on dedicated volunteers who donate their time and skills to support Front of House and guest services for the local productions and touring shows that cross our stage. Shifts are primarily evenings on weekdays and weekends though daytime events and matinees are available.



Kelowna Friends of the Library
c/o Okanagan Regional Library, 1430
K.L.O. Road, Kelowna
fol4k@hotmail.com
www.kelownafol.ca

Friends enthusiastic about libraries, reading and lifelong literacy, support Okanagan Regional Library branches. Volunteer opportunities: fundraising book sales year-round: sale set-ups, unloading, replenishing, sorting boxes (physical labour), cashiering; hosting Library activities, irregular throughout year; as volunteer coordinators: sale/event planning, secretarial, financial, publicity and coordinating volunteer participation. Large book donations: #114-2476 Westlake Road, West Kelowna. Kelowna drop-off donation bins: ORL Admin Centre, 1430 K.L.O. Road & Parkinson Recreation Centre, Harvey Avenue.



Kelowna General Hospital
2268 Pandosy Street, Kelowna
250-862-4492
KelownaKGHVolunteerServices@interiorhealth.ca
www.interiorhealth.ca

Does volunteering with patients in a hospital setting appeal to you? Volunteers visit, guide, support, and provide directions and information to visitors or patients. Volunteers make a difference in the lives of patients and their families and work to complement the care that staff provides. Volunteers are on duty in a variety of shifts and departments from approximately 6:00 am - 11:00 pm, 7 days a week.



Kelowna General Hospital Foundation
2268 Pandosy Street, Kelowna
250-862-4438
www.kghfoundation.com

The KGH Foundation needs volunteers to operate the Royal Bistro, the Perking Lot, the Centennial Mercantile Gift Shop and the Rutland Thrift. These Social Enterprises raise funds that help support our mission to bring world class healthcare to everyone where ever they call home, through innovation, technology and commitment. Our Volunteer Family consists of volunteers ages 14 to 80, from all walks of life, all religious, cultural and socio-economic backgrounds.



Kelowna Grandmothers for Africa
1035 Aurora Heights, Kelowna
250-769-0117
mim3@shaw.ca
www.kelownagrandmothersforafrica.com
@KelownaGrandmothersForAfrica

We support African grandmothers carrying overwhelming responsibility for raising children orphaned by AIDS. We strive to help them nurture and raise a healthy, self-sufficient next generation. Affiliated with the Stephen Lewis Foundation Grandmothers to Grandmothers Campaign, our activities help fund grassroots initiatives in African communities identified as having the greatest need.



Kelowna International Airport
1-5533 Airport Way, Kelowna
250-807-4300
jmonk@kelowna.ca
ylw.kelowna.ca/about-ylw/volunteer-ylw
@ylw.kelownaairport

The Kelowna International Airport Ambassadors, Junior Ambassadors and Ambassador dogs are a team of dedicated volunteers that assist passengers and their families in various ways throughout the terminal building.



Kelowna ProChoice Action Society
923 McCartney Road, Kelowna
kdpcasociety@gmail.com

We have advocated for Reproductive Choice for over 25 years. Our society supports access to all reproductive choices including reliable, safe contraception and abortion services. We provide a voice to ensure these services remain readily available. A strong membership is essential to our effectiveness in being heard. Support choice, check out our Facebook page. Become a member today.



Kelowna's Gospel Mission
PO Box 22087, RPO Capri Centre,
Kelowna
volunteer@kelownagospelmission.ca
www.kelownagospelmission.ca
@KelownaGospelMissionShelter

For over 40 years we have cared for the most vulnerable in our community. You can make an impact by joining our dedicated team of volunteers, creating an environment of forward momentum for people we serve. There are many diverse volunteer opportunities, whether you like to work directly with people or behind the scenes, helping with a meal, helping our guests access services, or in our Thrift Store.

Lake Country



Lake Country Art Gallery
10356a Bottom Wood Lake Road,
Lake Country
250-766-1299
lakecountryartgallery@gmail.com
www.lakecountryartgallery.ca/
@Lakecountryartgallery

The Lake Country Art Gallery utilizes a combination of unique exhibitions and engaging public programming to showcase and support the creative works of emerging artists through to career artists. We build bridges and meaningful connections with the public by welcoming them into the experience of art. We strive to include and empower a diverse audience, and regularly adapt our exhibitions and programming in order to foster inclusive and dynamic environments



Lake Country Health
10080 Main St, Lake Country
778-215-5247
office@lakecountryhealth.ca
www.lakecountryhealth.ca
@LakeCountryHealthPlanningSociety

Lake Country Health has been serving our community, changing lives since 1982. Volunteers play an essential role in delivering programs, including friendly calls with isolated seniors, one-on-one 'Tech Angel' support for seniors, or rides to appointments. Other roles include social media content creators and board of directors. Join us to make a difference, meet new people, or gain work experience.



Living Positive Resource Centre
255 Lawrence Avenue, Kelowna
778-753-5830
education@lprc.ca
www.lprc.ca
@LivingPositiveResourceCentre

LPRC provides support, education, and harm reduction, with a focus on wellness, to anyone living with, affected by or at risk of HIV, Hepatitis C, and other sexually transmitted blood-borne infections. We also assist individuals experiencing concerns relating to housing, nutrition, addictions, and mental health. We approach clients with a comprehensive, non-judgmental, and supportive perspective. Our programs are Men's Health Initiative, Health and Wellness Program, and Harm Reduction Education.



MADD Central Okanagan Chapter
Suite 251, 9-3151 Lakeshore Road,
Kelowna
306-874-7814
infomaddokanagan@gmail.com
www.madd.ca
@maddokanagan

MADD Central Okanagan is a volunteer-based Chapter of MADD Canada, a charitable organization with the mission to stop impaired driving and to support victims of this violent crime. We are mothers, fathers, sons, daughters, sisters, brothers, grandparents, students and concerned citizens who care about keeping our roads and communities safe from impaired driving. Our key areas of focus are victim services, youth education, public awareness, public policy and technology.



Mamas for Mamas
120-1735 Dolphin Avenue, Kelowna
236-420-0075
events@mamasformamas.org
www.mamasformamas.org
@mamasformamas

Mamas for Mamas is a national charity supporting caregivers in crisis by providing ongoing support to those experiencing poverty-related struggles. Our mission is to change the landscape of poverty through innovative approaches to financial barriers. While our name is Mamas for Mamas, we welcome caregivers of any gender identity or expression, including men, trans*, non-binary, and two-spirit clients. We envision a future where no caregiver or child is left behind.



Metis Community Services Society of BC
147 Park Road, Kelowna
250-859-2709
peetigwaychelsea@gmail.com
www.mcsbc.org

Metis Community Services Society of BC (MCSBC) is a non-profit Society that is recognized and empowered by Metis citizens in BC to provide holistic services that ensure the health and well-being of the Metis community. We have a mandate from Metis citizens to provide integrated, holistic, family-centered, wrap-around services to all those who need assistance, with special emphasis on Aboriginal populations, specifically Metis populations.



Mission Thrift Store Kelowna
1889 Springfield Road, Kelowna
250-860-4791
kelowna@missionthriftstore.com
www.missionthriftstore.com/store/kelowna/
@Kelownamissionthriftstore

Mission Thrift Store Kelowna is a friendly non-profit, volunteer driven local thrift store that is that has been serving Kelowna since 1992. We offer high quality gently used clothing, furniture, home decor, books, toys, and housewares at affordable prices. The store supports the community and is involved in reaching into the rest of the world by supporting the Joint Ministry of BFM Foundation (Canada) and Bible League Canada.

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empowering generations to give.

At the Central Okanagan Foundation, we believe that **EVERYONE** can leave a legacy.

Anyone can be a leader in philanthropy. It is not the size of the gift; it is the idea you thought to give. The Central Okanagan Foundation offers strategic ways for individuals, families, corporations and organizations to give with impact. We will work with you to create a plan with both short and long-term giving options to fulfill your philanthropic goals.

Our mission is to contribute to the quality of life in the Central Okanagan through the raising and stewardship of entrusted funds, innovation and diverse funding and active community leadership.

We work with our generous donors, building excellence in philanthropy to ensure our communities flourish. Together we are making contributions that are changing outcomes in times of real need. We collaborate in building an inclusive, equitable and resilient community.

The Central Okanagan Foundation CEO and staff celebrate volunteers!! We are happy to support agencies in our community that depend on volunteers, and in the spirit of service, we graciously acknowledge our volunteer Board of Directors as well.

CHEERS!!! To our Volunteers throughout the communities of the Central Okanagan, what we all fondly refer to as **HOME!!**

To quote Helen Keller and Elizabeth Andrew,
"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."

– Helen Keller

"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they have the heart."

– Elizabeth Andrew

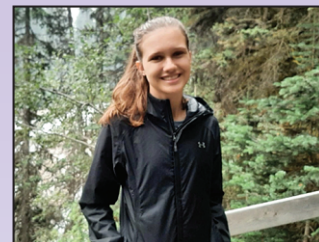
Volunteer Spirit Scholarship Award

In 2022, the Central Okanagan Foundation awarded financial support to four current residents from each of the four Central Okanagan Municipalities: Peachland, West Kelowna, Kelowna and Lake Country. Each recipient was actively engaged in substantial volunteering either right here at home, a Canadian community or internationally. The purpose of the \$1500 scholarship is to assist with qualified post-secondary education.

Please join us in congratulating the 2022 Central Okanagan Foundation Volunteer Spirit Scholarship Award recipients!



Robyn, Peachland



Madeline, West Kelowna



Jaysheen, Kelowna



Yixuan, Lake Country

To learn more about the Central Okanagan Foundation and view the application form, visit www.centralokanaganfoundation.org

Application Deadline: March 17, 2023



Niteo Africa Society

PO Box 29165, Kelowna

587-783-0725

executivedirector@niteo.org

www.niteo.org

@niteoafrika

NITEO exists to support young readers to obtain the critical literacy skills needed for a bright and hopeful future. We do this through a local Kelowna based Family Reading Program for newcomer families and global partnerships to establish community libraries in Uganda.



Okanagan Boys & Girls Club

1434 Graham Street, Kelowna

www.bgco.ca

@BGCOkanagan

Vision

All children and youth discover and achieve their dreams and grow up to be healthy, successful, and active participants in society.

Mission

To provide a safe, supportive place where children and youth can experience new opportunities, overcome barriers, build positive relationships, and develop confidence and skills for life.



Pathways Abilities Society

123 Franklyn Road, Kelowna

250-763-4839

em@pathways.ca

www.pathwayskelowna.ca/

@PathwaysKelowna

Pathways Abilities Society is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to supporting the needs of individuals with diverse abilities in Kelowna and the surrounding areas. Formed in 1953, as the community's needs have grown, so too have Pathways' services. Today, Pathways provides a range of support for individuals, including everything from activity services, to home support to customized employment opportunities connecting individuals with businesses throughout the community.



Paws it Forward Dog Rescue

PO Box 23129 Plaza 33,

Kelowna

bark@pawsitforward.org

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Since 2011, we have rescued, rehabilitated and found homes for dogs from around the world that have been neglected, abandoned or abused. Our rescue is ran by unpaid volunteers and we have no facility. Every dog lives in a loving foster home until adopted. We are constantly looking for fosters and volunteers to help fundraise to give us opportunities to help dogs in need. Join our animal loving volunteers today!



Total annual charitable giving in Canada reaches roughly \$11 billion every year, and 84% of Canadians over the age of 15 contribute to charity. Those are extraordinary figures and make Canada one of the most charitable countries in the world.

That figure is reason for celebration, but it also brings some questions. Who raised all that money, and how did it occur? How do we know the money is going to be used for its intended purpose, and who ensures that things like donor privacy are respected by the charity?

Those are all questions that are handled by a fundraising professional, like the 26,000 members of the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) around the world, including local members of the AFP Okanagan Chapter. And while AFP members do raise a lot of money, that's really just one aspect of what they do.

AFP members are stewards of your gift, ensuring that money is raised efficiently and effectively so that your contributions are stretched as far as possible to further the organization's mission.

AFP members are also donor advocates, working to form a long-term relationship with you and representing your interests. Perhaps you can't give now but later in the year. Perhaps the fundraiser works with you to develop a giving plan for the year or other ways the donor can stay involved. The professional fundraiser works in partnership with the donor to help support their common cause: the mission of the charity.

Finally, and most importantly, AFP members are guardians—guardians of the public trust. Members are required to sign AFP's Code of Ethics, the only enforced code in North America, every year. After all, you're not going to give to a charity if you don't trust it. AFP helped to create a Donor Bill of Rights, which lists all of the expectations and rights a donor should have when making a gift to a charity.

For over 60 years, AFP has been the standard-bearer for professionalism in fundraising. If you're interested in learning about ethical fundraising (including reviewing our code of ethics and the Donor Bill of Rights), need guidance about wise giving tips or maybe want to become a professional fundraiser yourself, check out www.afpokanagan.ca.



Purppl is proud to champion the work of Kelowna Community Resources and the amazing volunteers making a difference in our community organizations every day. Purppl, meaning "Purposeful People", works with leaders to build capability and capacity to implement sustainable business models alongside measurable impact models. This often includes a social enterprise approach. We coach, consult, and collaborate with social entrepreneurs and community leaders who are solving systemic social challenges. We also facilitate, co-create, and participate in activities, events, and initiatives that

help to build just, regenerative communities.

Our work to date has been with over 75 charities, non profits, cooperatives and social purpose organizations, working across complex social issues such as housing, mental health, addictions, food security, seniors, childcare, and climate action, among others. Social enterprise concepts increasingly drive predictable revenue to charities & non profits so they can become less dependent on successful grant writing and donations. Impact management and measurement is another important area where Purppl often adds expertise to a team.

Proudly founded in the Okanagan and now working with social purpose leaders across Canada, we would be pleased to discuss what might be possible within your organization. To start a conversation please contact Jude Brunt at jude@purppl.com.



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MP | KELOWNA—LAKE COUNTRY



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THANK YOU TO ALL KELOWNA-LAKE COUNTRY'S SELFLESS VOLUNTEERS!

The spirit of Kelowna-Lake Country is alive and well everyday with each one of our dedicated volunteers in the community.

Volunteering is such a rewarding experience, and for those who are able to, I encourage you to get involved in something you're passionate about!

Capacity Building: Strengthening the Non-Profit Sector

KCR Community Resources hosts learning opportunities every fall and spring to build capacity in non-profit organizations and foster connections in the sector. Most of these upcoming workshops will be offered through a hybrid format, which will allow participants to join either by attending in person or via Zoom. We are excited to introduce and utilize our sophisticated Meeting Owl which provides a 360-degree panoramic view of the room, enhanced microphone and surround audio, and an intelligent zooming camera that automatically detects and focuses on the speaker, ensuring a seamless hybrid meeting experience between in-person and remote participants.

You can check out our workshops online at www.kcr.ca. Here is a quick peek into this Fall's offerings:

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Workshop

Our communities and organizations are increasingly diverse. Ensuring these spaces are safe, just and welcoming for all is everyone's responsibility and is also an opportunity. Participating in Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Training as a team, organization or workplace allows you to learn, connect and reflect together and also personally on these important issues. Diversity and Inclusion are critical for organizations and for us as individuals. This course introduces and explores the topics of justice, equity, diversity and inclusion and why they matter. The curriculum is relevant to those both new to and familiar with diversity and inclusion work. For everyone, there is sure to be an "Aha!" moment. Participants will gain personal growth by



sharing different perspectives, gaining tools and building new understanding.

The DEI workshop is offered in two, 3-hour workshops. We will be offering a community session in person on September 13 & 20 from 9am-12pm. We are also available for private, in-service workshops for your organization or team, with options of in-person, virtual, and hybrid format. Please contact dorothee@kcr.ca for more information.

Fund Development Overview

Are you seeking to gain a higher level of understanding in non-profit fundraising? Is it your goal to develop a culture of fund development within your organization? Are you responsible for creating the Fund Development Plan for your organization? If you answered yes to any, or all, of these questions, then the Fund Development Overview is for you! With funding from the Central Okanagan Foundation, KCR Community Resources is offering a completely revised eight-module Fund Development Overview workshop starting October 5. The curriculum is updated to reflect current and emerging trends, including comprehensive, diversified, and focused fundraising plans for nonprofits. It also highlights information on moving events to virtual/hybrid formats, as well as information on special events and grants. The curriculum offers conceptual learning and experiential



activities, and participants will be able to work on their organization's fund development plan during the program. Date: Wednesday mornings, 9am-12pm, October 5 - November 23.

Board Boot Camp



Are you a volunteer Director on a non-profit Board? Are you a staff member and want to better understand the role of the Board? Then Board Boot Camp is for you! We offer community sessions which are open to everyone, as well as private, in-service workshops that are also a great team-building opportunity. Taking part in Board Boot Camps will give you the confidence and knowledge to be strong and knowledgeable directors or staff, as well as setting you up for success at exploring and attaining your next big opportunity!

Board Boot Camp 101: Someone has asked you to join their Board, but you are not sure what is involved and how you can contribute. You have the desire and motivation to help, but aren't sure how and what

is expected of you. Board Boot Camp 101 will help you explore and understand the non-profit sector, increase your understanding of a director's role and responsibilities, as well as assist you in asking some critical questions before committing. Date: November 1 from 4-6pm.

Board Boot Camp 201: Gain a deeper understanding of Boards, especially the Executive Committee. Be the best for your organization by learning about effective qualities of leaders and your personal leadership style. Understand the separation between the Board and staff, and the relationship between the senior staff and the Chair of the Board. Learn how to run timely and effective meetings, as well as mastering the best ways to retain and attract directors. Date: November 15 from 4-6pm.

In-Service – Get your whole Board on Board! Learn together how Boards need to function, the difference between working and governance boards and how to move from one to the other. Help your Board move forward together.

Date: Flexible.

Contact: dorothee@kcr.ca.

Overview of Volunteer Management

Volunteers are vital to the success of many organizations. Heading into a post-pandemic season, it is integral for volunteer managers to ensure the effectiveness and sustainability of a successful volunteer program. This eight-week training workshop is specifically designed to guide and help new and existing volunteer managers achieve their organization's mission, as well as the goals and interests of their volunteers. Content is based on Canadian research and best



practices, as well as the Canadian Code for Volunteer Involvement. Re-charge your volunteer program today and effectively mobilize our community's change makers! Date: Thursday mornings, 9am-12pm, September 22 - November 10.



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E: volunteer@seniorsoutreach.ca



Peachland Wellness Centre

4426 5th Street, Peachland
250-767-0141
wellnesscentre@shaw.ca

The Peachland Wellness Centre (PWC) craves a healthy community and a peaceful place to work together. We recruit and support our Volunteers who assist PWC in enhancing and supporting delivery of programs and services in the community. We at PWC are honored to partner with our Volunteers and the Community to meet the needs of many. PWC greatly appreciates their Volunteers who are always creating a positive and helping atmosphere.



Pets and People®

Unit 107-769 K.L.O. Road, Kelowna
250-860-2572
pap12@shaw.ca
www.petsandpeople.ca

Pets and People(R) have/do visit Medical facilities, with all very different services; also special camps, education and support groups. We offer interaction with trained, selected pets and their compassionate volunteer owners; and we contribute our special Animal Assisted Therapy Program, if called upon by staff and or therapists of the above.

Our hope is through these efforts, we help improve quality of lives we touch, bring smiles to our community.



PLAN Okanagan

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Securing bright futures for individuals with disabilities. PLAN Okanagan is a family-directed, non-profit charitable organization. We support and bring families together to develop a safe, secure and quality future for their family member with a disability. To accomplish this, we provide information sessions, future planning consultations and assist in the development of a social and supportive network for your family member with a disability.



Project Literacy
CENTRAL OKANAGAN SOCIETY
Learning Together

Project Literacy Central Okanagan Society

1635 Bertram Street, Kelowna
250-762-2163
paul@projectliteracy.ca
www.projectliteracy.ca
@projectliteracykelowna

Project Literacy provides free literacy support to children, families and adults. We are a volunteer-based organization with over 150 volunteers supporting our programs. If you would like to volunteer as a tutor, working 1-1 with a child or adult, please contact one of our Education Coordinators. Elaine Johnston (elaine@projectliteracy.ca) or Katia Bois (katia@projectliteracy.ca). We are thrilled to be celebrating our 36 years of supporting literacy in the Central Okanagan.



Regional District of Central Okanagan

1450 KLO Road, Kelowna

We currently need volunteers to assist with the West Kelowna, Lake Country and Peachland Community Policing Volunteers RDCO / RCMP programs.



Seniors Outreach & Resource Centre

115-2065 Benvoulin Court, Kelowna
250-861-6180 ext. 3
volunteer@seniorsoutreach.ca
www.seniorsoutreach.ca
@seniorsoutreach

Volunteer with a senior in your community! Seniors Outreach & Resource Centre provides a variety of social services to improve the independence, social connections, and quality of life of older community members. Volunteer opportunities include friendly visiting, special events, food deliveries, handyman repairs, tax preparations and more.

Great for students, newly retired and anyone who wants to make a difference. Do good, feel good!



Society for Learning in Retirement

1434 Graham Street, Kelowna
250-448-1203
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@SLRKELOWNA

Those who join the Society for Learning in Retirement are invited to travel into the world of science, politics, mysticism, history, wellness and more!

Our non-profit organization opens the door to fun and friendly learning experiences for mature adults. With the assistance of our volunteers, active seniors embark on a journey of lifelong learning. Classes are informal and led by volunteer specialists in their field. Come join us.



Spring Valley Care Centre

355 Terai Court, Kelowna
250-979-6000
agordon@ppsl.com

Spring Valley Care Centre is looking for dedicated individuals to assist help reduce social isolation! If you have time to connect and assist with spiritual, social, physical and emotional programs, we want you!!

Please contact Amy Gordon at agordon@ppsl.com for more information.



Ozanam Recovery House

2629 Richter Street, Kelowna
250-762-4673
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www.recoverykelowna.ca

We operate an 18-bed transition home for men who are recovering from drug addiction and mental health issues. The negative impact of drug addiction on our society and on individuals is devastating and the Society needs people with both strong personal and community values – here is a chance to contribute to the solution.



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**St. John Ambulance
 Medical First Responder**

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 250-762-2840

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 Brigade
 recruit.officer.div740@sjabcy.ca

St. John Ambulance is Canada's leading First Aid Charity providing first aid education and services to the public. The Kelowna Branch provides first aid at charity, community, emergency and public service events. Through these events volunteers are able to improve their communication skills while providing hands on First Aid services. All volunteers receive free training in advanced First Aid and CPR for health care providers. Contact: recruit.officer.div740@sjabcy.ca



Tetra Society
of North America

**Tetra Society of North
 America**

#110-2286 Clark Drive, Kelowna
 1-877-688-8762

@tetrasociety.org
 tetraokanagan@gmail.com
 www.tetrasociety.org

Tetra volunteers work independently and collaboratively to design and build innovative custom-assistive devices that enable people with disabilities to overcome physical barriers in their everyday lives. Tetra volunteers are united in their passion and commitment to find solutions where none may exist or are accessible. Working directly with clients and often sharing ideas with other volunteers, the process to design, build and complete projects is both rewarding and practical.



We transform lives and build community

**The Bridge Youth & Family
 Services**

#8-2604 Enterprise Way, Kelowna
 250-763-0456

@thebridgeservices
 info@thebridgeservices.ca
 www.thebridgeservices.ca

You can help transform lives and build community as part of our team. We have a variety of opportunities available within our Family Services, Recovery & Addictions programs and working with our Community Engagement team.



The Ki-Low-Na Friendship Society

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 events@kfs.bc.ca
 www.kfs.bc.ca

The Ki-Low-Na Friendship Society will provide for the mental, emotional, physical and spiritual well-being of all peoples through the development of community-based services, while encouraging the community to preserve, share and promote Aboriginal cultural distinctiveness. We provide programs and services to all peoples in all four stages of life: infants/children, youth, adults, and Elders. We are always looking for volunteers to support many of our on-going programs and special events.



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The Salvation Army exists to share the love of Jesus Christ, meet human needs and be a transforming influence in the communities of our world. From Emergency Disaster Services volunteers to Kettle Bell Ringers, we have many opportunities available. We provide seasonal or ongoing volunteer positions, and we accept people of all ages. Our volunteers are the best people on the planet!

Call our Volunteer
 Coordinator today - 778-484-
 9917.



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Volunteers make it possible to expand the range and enhance the quality of services that a ministry unit or program can offer. Volunteers bridge between the ministry unit or program and its community. Volunteers also receive as they give – they become part of the ministry unit or program, and we compensate those who volunteer with a gratitude discount. Consider being part of the Salvation Army and let's Give Hope Together.

TOURISM KELOWNA

Tourism Kelowna

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Tourism Kelowna is a not-for-profit society and the destination marketing organization for the Central Okanagan. Community Specialist volunteers service visitors in our downtown, airport, and mobile visitor centre locations with the highest levels of customer service. Volunteers assist with answering questions, restocking/organizing brochures, and working on various projects. Tourism Kelowna would also like to use this opportunity to thank our existing group of incredible volunteers!

Self-Management *British Columbia*

University of Victoria Self-Management BC

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Self-Management BC, supported by the Province of British Columbia, offers FREE health programs for adults of all ages living with one or more ongoing health conditions. Programs are offered virtually, online, by telephone, or by mail for adults living in BC.



YMCA of Okanagan

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Bring your passion and 1 hour a week to help the YMCA enrich the lives of others. As a local charity, the YMCA is devoted to building a healthier community. Whether you're passionate about developing young minds, equipping kids with water safety skills, sharing the Y's impact through events and fundraising or helping others achieve their health goals, volunteering at the Y provides opportunities for personal growth and community impact.



George Greenwood & Wendy Comeau Greenwood

Fund Development - Profession or Passion?

Meet Wendy Comeau Greenwood, KCR's Community Engagement Facilitator

Being part of a community is important to me, whether it's a small neighborhood or a group focused on improving our world, working together with others to bring change is what gets me going. My lifelong involvement, working and volunteering for the non-profit sector has been exhilarating! I have always believed that my true purpose is to have a positive impact on my community. To that end, I ascribe to the notion that philanthropy is more than just giving money. I was raised with the belief that I need to help family, friends, and the community so we can all grow together, become successful together and ultimately, rise together. I believe that this process is how we can move forward and upwards, effecting social change for the betterment of our generation and for posterity.

I have served the non-profit sector across Canada including New Brunswick and Saskatchewan before moving to Kelowna where my "happy feet" landed me with KCR as the new Community Engagement Facilitator. With my varied

background (including 10 years as Executive Director at Friends of Beaubears Island National Historic Site in New Brunswick and more than 3 years as Major Gifts Officer at St Paul's Hospital Foundation in Saskatchewan), KCR has entrusted me to help build the organization's donor program. This work affords me a world of opportunity for creativity, responsibility, risk-taking and a fulfillment of my desire to make a difference. This role allows me to stay on a path to do good, to give, to make a difference, to leave the world a better place – and it is definitely a passion project for me.

For me, each day involves interacting with and assisting people, raising awareness, fundraising to support programs and gaps or simply meeting people for the first time and making a connection. "When you talk to people, good things can happen". I love to talk to people so we can make good things happen together.

I would love to share with you my passion for supporting KCR's mission of fostering diversity, collaboration and resourcefulness by tailoring services to meet community, family and individual needs.

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- Greatest needs

KCR Community Resources has placed me in a space of generosity and gratitude. Whilst the Community Services team aim to help raise much needed funds with no gift being too small, one of our key messages is that giving time is of equal importance to help others in need.

To learn more about KCR Community Resources, programs, services and initiatives, contact me any time at wendyccg@kcr.ca or call 250-763-8008 ext 256.

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