

Community Services

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Volunteer on an intergenerational board

CARP - A New Vision of Aging for Canada is a national organization devoted to seniors' advocacy, benefits and community.

CARP has chapters scattered across Canada, including seven chapters in British Columbia. The Okanagan chapter, with 1800 members from Osoyoos to Sicamous, hosts a number of public events for its members each year.

This year, for example, we will sponsor events on financial abuse and encourage all Okanagan mayors to issue proclamations in honor of October 1st, *International Day of Older Persons*.

CARP Okanagan joins the national effort to address issues such as poverty, pensions, housing, caregiving, and supports for healthy aging- including tax credits and services.

The Board of Directors currently has 3 vacancies, including Secretary, and Membership Coordinator to assist with this year's membership events and outreach.

The current Board of CARP Okanagan donates their time out of concern for the lack of a clear seniors' voice on important issues, especially where those who are more vulnerable are concerned.

We believe in community, collective efforts and using our creative and innovative talents to make a difference for others in this world.

We have one of the few intergenerational boards in the country because we believe that these issues are, or will be, everyone's!

If you wish to make a difference at both the civic and national levels, and work with a diverse, committed board please contact us at carpokanagan@hotmail.com or (250) 469-0008 if you are interested!

You can find other ways to volunteer by going to www.kcr.ca and clicking on Volunteer Opportunities Search Central Okanagan.

You can also create a volunteer profile that brings volunteer openings directly to your email inbox. These notices are confidential. Bring the world of volunteering to your virtual door.

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