



Information & Volunteer Centre FOR STRATHCONA COUNTY

YOUTH Volunteer Opportunities

Jan. – Mar. 2012

Have Fun!

Meet new people!

Gain work experience!

Be involved in your community!

Become a volunteer today!

The Youth Volunteer Program encourages, celebrates, supports and promotes youth volunteerism in Strathcona County. Residents can contact the youth volunteer program coordinator (le-ann@ivcstrathcona.org) for information on how youth can connect to a volunteer position that suits their interests. The program provides current youth volunteer opportunities, suggests ways to get involved and provides opportunities to promote youth service projects.

For additional information call the Volunteer Centre and ask for the Youth Volunteer Coordinator at 780.464.4242 or check our website at www.ivcstrathcona.org or a searchable database at www.govolunteer.ca. You can also request to receive our complete updated listings on a regular basis.

NEW * STRATHCONA COUNTY FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES *

Ages **16 yrs +**
Where Various locations throughout Strathcona County
Contact Isabelle 780.464.4044 email dena@strathcona.ab.ca

Snow Buster Volunteers needed

What is the Snow Buster Program?

Snow Busters is a volunteer program that matches seniors with volunteers to assist them with snow shoveling.

Why volunteer with Snow Busters?

Snow shoveling can be challenging for seniors with physical limitations. Volunteering with Snow Busters is a great way for you to make a difference in the life of a senior. Providing assistance with snow shoveling helps seniors remain in their homes longer, prevents injuries, and encourages community connections.

Who should volunteer for Snow Busters?

Volunteers may be individuals, families, teams or groups, who enjoy working outside, want to make community connections and prefer a flexible volunteer schedule.

*** FESTIVAL PLACE ***

Ages **15+**
Where Strathcona County
Address 100 Festival Way Sherwood Park
Website www.festivalplace.ab.ca
Contact Gavin 780.464.2852 Gavin@festivalplace.ab.ca

Special Events

**Volunteer at theatre and special events at a local art centre. Usher, take tickets, and merchandise sellers.

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NEW *Little Bits Therapeutic Riding Association*

Ages 15+

Where Whitemud Equine Centre and St. Albert Horse Sense Training and Petting Zoo

Address Whitemud is located at 12504 Fox Drive Edmonton

Horse Sense is located at 54410 Range Road 255 Sturgeon County

Website www.littlebits.ca

Contact Sylvia (Whitemud location) – volunteers@littlebits.ca; Helen (St. Albert location) – littlebitsstalbert@live.ca

Volunteers needed: Help out in a horseback riding program for people with disabilities. You can serve as side-walkers, horse-leaders and grooms.

*** ARDROSSAN DREAMCATCHER NATURE-ASSISTED THERAPY ASSOCIATION ***

Ages 12+

Where Strathcona County

Address 53044 RRD 213, Ardrossan

Website www.dreamcatcherassociation.com

Contact Eileen Bona 780.922.1047 dreamcatcher@wildroseinternet.ca

Chicken Coop/Shelter Cleaner, Snow Removal Specialist & Lawn Maintenance Volunteer **Volunteer will be responsible for various jobs such as removing soiled animal bedding and replacing it with fresh straw, cleaning and filling feeders and waterers, shoveling snow from the front deck where programming takes place, and moving grass on the front lawn and down the sides of the driveway and moving/stacking wood.

*** CAPITAL CARE STRATHCONA ***

Ages Varies for different positions.

Where Strathcona County

Address 12 Brower Drive Sherwood Park

Website www.capitalcare.net

Contact 780.417.4329 Evangeline evangeline.quigley@capitalcare.net

Piano Player **Play a variety of music that the residents enjoy. Introduce the musical selections, and play at a pace and volume that is comfortable for the residents. Youth 12+.

Visitor **Be a visitor and read, play Games (checkers, scrabble, crib ect...) Youth 15yrs + OR 12yrs + with an Adult .

Bingo Caller **Encourage residents to socialize, and enjoy playing Bingo by calling out the bingo numbers. (Mon-Fri, Early afternoons) Youth 12+.

Art Gallery Project **Encourages youth of all ages to color/draw pictures that will be framed and displayed in the art gallery section of the building for residents and guests to enjoy. Youth 5yrs +.

Pet Visitor **Youth with well trained Dog or Cat to visit residents. Youth 15+.

NEW *CULTURAL LINKS YOUTH PROGRAM*

Age 15+

Where Different locations in the City of Edmonton

Contact Bunkola at 780-424-3545 ext. 2760 or e-mail culturallinks@catholicsocialservices.ab.ca

SUPPORT NEWCOMER YOUTH as a Volunteer Youth Mentor

Volunteer, two to three hours per week, to provide support for newcomer youth in the ESL/ELL program from ages 9-20. Students need support with homework completion, test preparation, learning how to play sports, and about the Canadian culture.

* BRIAR PATCH *

Ages 12+
Where Sherwood Park
Address Locations vary with each position
Website www.members.shaw.ca/parentsplace
Contact Cheryl Roberts 780.464.3217 parentsplace@shaw.ca

Special Events Workers **Help at various community events during the year to bring awareness about the centre, and fundraise or complete a project.

Toy Library Helpers **Help families choose age appropriate toys and resources. Maintain order of libraries and purchase new items and catalogue them. Participate in an annual toy wash.

* STRATHCONA COUNTY CLOTHES LINE *

Ages 15+ (regular volunteering) (13+ school/community referral)
Where Strathcona County
Address 38 Sioux Road
Website www.theclothes-line.com
Contact Loretta 780.464.7786

Volunteer Store Helpers **Volunteers needed to steam clothing and take items into the store and straighten shelves.

* IVC'S " Youth Page" PROJECT*

Ages 10+
Coordinated by the Information and Volunteer Centre for Strathcona County
Address 100 Ordze Avenue, Sherwood Park
Website www.ivcstrathcona.org
Contact Le-Ann Ewaskiw 780.464.4242 le-ann@ivcstrathcona.org

Committee Members **The Sherwood Park Strathcona County Newspaper has dedicated space approx every 4-6 weeks to a committee of youth who write about youth volunteerism and involvement within the community. ***Do you enjoy meeting people? Wouldn't you like to help spread the word on good deeds youth provide the community? This is an ideal way to gain some practical work experience OR add to your resume building? MAKE A DIFFERENCE today!***

It's fun, it's free and offers a wide range of benefits. Call or email today for more information. Approx 1 hr per month is all it takes and most if not all of it can be done from your own home.

* STRATHCONA COUNTY RECREATION PARKS AND CULTURE *

Ages 12 yrs +
Times Morning, Afternoon, Evening-Flexible
Where Community Centre, Festival Place, Broadmoor Lake Park and Sherwood Park Arena
Address Varies for each position
Contact Amber Staden 780.464.8013 volunteer@strathcona.ab.ca or staden@strathcona.ab.ca

Variety of Events **Volunteers are needed for various events and positions throughout the year such as photographers, registrations, inflatable attractions, security, mascots and much more.

*Pitch In – April *Mayor's Recreation for Life Walk-Run *Canada Day Festival - July 1
*Christmas in the Heartland – Nov. *Celebration of Lights – Dec. *Santa's breakfast at Millennium Place

* TELUS WORLD OF SCIENCE *

Ages **15+ with Grade 9 Science**
Where Edmonton
Address 11211 142 Street, Edmonton
Contact Volunteer Resources at 780-452-9100, or via email at vr@telusworldofscienceedmonton.com

GALLERY GUIDE/INTERPRETER

Make Science Sizzle and help others discover the world and beyond as you guide visitors through our dynamic and interactive exhibit galleries. This is a great opportunity to showcase your experience and share your love of science and/or technology with others! Your dynamic personality will highlight the fun of science through interactive learning. Our visitors' learning experience will be enhanced through your demonstrated enthusiasm for the sciences, outgoing and engaging personality, and advanced communication skills.

ROBOTICS LAB ATTENDANT

Help Visitors Navigate a Robotics Experience! Provide leadership and guidance to teams of visitors as they program LEGO® NXT robots to perform tasks and tackle challenges. Your strong leadership skills, computer proficiency and engaging personality will support our visitors of all ages in this endeavour!

IMAX® THEATRE USHER

Welcome Visitors to the "Ultimate Movie Experience" as an IMAX THEATRE USHER! Greet and direct patrons into the theatre, and monitor attendance by checking for appropriate admission tickets prior to show time. While shows are in progress, Ushers work as ambassadors outside the theatre to showcase our facility by providing visitors with directional assistance and general facility information. Your outgoing and friendly disposition and commitment to quality customer service will make you an ideal candidate for this guest relations position.

SCHOOL PROGRAM HOSTS

Field Trips to Visit Us are Awesome! As an official host/hostess for visiting schools you will welcome and usher these groups to their scheduled program activities. Learning destinations will include the IMAX Theatre, the Margaret Zeidler Star Theatre, themed exhibit galleries, interpretive science classrooms, etc. A sincere interest to work with youth, strong leadership skills, a welcoming manner, and supervisory experience are required.

GALLERY USHER

Fulfill an Integral Hospitality Role as a GALLERY USHER and Work as Part of our Guest Relations Team. Gallery Ushers provide a greeting and information service within our main lobby area for guests accessing the exhibit galleries. They check for appropriate tickets and share general facility information for the benefit of our visitors. The roles of IMAX Theatre Usher and Gallery Usher are integrated to allow persons to job-share responsibilities of both ushering positions. Your strong interpersonal and communication skills, friendly approachable manner, and attention to quality service, will ensure our visitors feel welcomed and well informed.

For more information about our Volunteer Program, or to apply directly on-line, refer to our website at www.telusworldofscience.com/edmonton.

* YOUTH COUNCIL - STRATHCONA COUNTY *

Ages **12 - 17 yrs**
Where Strathcona County
Contact Erin McKeown 780.464.4044 mckeown@strathcona.ab.ca
***Recruitment year round**

Youth Council Members **Teens who want their opinions to count and have fun too should try the Youth Council. Help get youths needs/concerns addressed. Plan and participate in special projects, volunteer activities and community events. Meetings are held a couple times a month.

* STRATHCONA COUNTY LIBRARY *

Ages **12 yrs and up**
Where Strathcona County Library
Website www.sclibrary.ab.ca/teenzone/framesets/teenprogf.htm www.sclibrary.ab.ca
Contact 780.449.5801 or email rskaley@sclibrary.ab.ca

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TACs (Teen Advisory Committee @ the Library)

No passes required. Drop-in Find out about how you can meet friends, have a say in what the Library offers for teens, & get some great volunteer experience. Snacks!

Reading Buddies Program

Can you commit to helping a young reader for one hour a day during the first week of July? Then you might be a Reading Buddy! Reading Buddies is an exciting program that pairs enthusiastic teen volunteers with Grade 2 – 4 students for reading fun, group games and challenges.

Students should be able to attend all five sessions.

Children's Summer Reading Game Volunteers

If you enjoy working with younger children, then we need your help! Each summer we have volunteer openings to help children play our game and assist with various programs on a variety of dates.

*** WHITECROFT COMMUNITY HALL ***

Ages **Minimum of 12 yrs and up**

Where located at 314, 52323 Range Road 232, East Whitecroft. ...

Website www.strathcona.ab.ca/Strathcona/Rural+Life/Community+halls-senior+centres/Whitecroft/

Contact Lou McDougal 780.922.4504

Visitors required **Volunteers needed to visit with seniors.

*** SHERWOOD PARK CARE CENTRE ***

Ages **12 yrs and up**

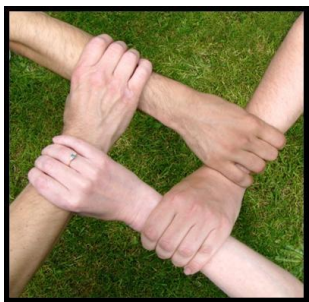
Where Sherwood Park Care Centre

Contact Angela Deibert 780.467.2281

Games Person

The Care Center is looking for volunteers to come once a month for their ðCardö Party and play games with the residents. For more information please Call Angela at the above mentioned phone number.

Specific to Family based Volunteering



STRATHCONA COUNTY FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Ages: Under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian; a great opportunity for families

Where: In assigned senior's home in Strathcona County

Contact: Jodi Kelloway 780.464.4044 kelloway@strathcona.ab.ca

Website: www.strathcona.ca/fcs Link: [Friendly Visitor Program](#)

Friendly Visitor**Make a difference in the life of a senior and help them stay connected to their community. Volunteers visit with seniors in their home on a regular basis. This is an ideal volunteer opportunity for those who enjoy meeting new

people, like to share stories and experiences and have a passion for helping others.

If after browsing through the listing you are unable to find a volunteer position interesting to you please contact our office so we can help you locate an opportunity that better suits your needs and talents.

Visit the "Youth Volunteer Program" page at www.ivcstrathcona.org/youth-program/

Designed for YOUth, Educators, Organizations and Parents.

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