

VOLUNTEER CR NEWSLETTER



Working together to build strong and healthy communities through volunteerism.

NOVEMBER 2014

Volunteer Campbell River Celebrates International Volunteer Day!

December 5th is International Volunteer Day and for the occasion, we are hosting a Not-for-Profit Accounting Workshop.

We would like to acknowledge the tremendous efforts that are deployed every day in our community by local volunteers. Volunteers help take care of people in need, they help children have a better future, assist seniors with care and are leading a social change around the world. They are involved in community organizations that would have a difficult time surviving without them. Volunteers are the heart of our community and we thank them for the time they give back to make Campbell River a great place to live. If a volunteer works for your organization, please take time to acknowledge their efforts on December 5th, as a little recognition can go a long way!

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Important CRC Information

The RCMP have informed us that the processing times for criminal record checks have changed to 6-8 weeks instead of 2-4 due a backlog. Please be aware that any forms handed in may not be processed before the New Year.

Online Posting

It is of high importance that if you have a volunteer opportunity that has expired or is a 1 day event that has passed, to please change the posting online. Sign in with your username and password, go to Activities-Manage Activities, hover the curser over the specific event, click "Edit", and select "Inactive" from the dropdown menu. This will ensure that volunteers no longer see the posted activity as current, but will enable you to keep the information for a later date if needed. If you have any questions regarding posting online or accessing your account, call Aolani at 250-287-8111 or email mail@volunteercr.ca



Mark Your Calendars

*We will be closed
for the holidays December
23rd at 4 p.m. and will
reopen January 5th at 9 a.m.*

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We BOGO Campbell River - A VCR Fundraiser

This accordion-style, fold out card is packed with great savings from 9 different Campbell River restaurants who support their community and value the work of volunteers. All offers are Buy One Get One Free and each restaurant can be visited 5 times each. That's a value of \$500 for only \$20.

You can get a lunch item from Boston pizza, an Entrée at Banner's and Popsey's, Appy's at Fusilli Grill and Misty Finn's, Any item from Baba Gannouj, a Crisp Duck Appy from Beijing House, a salad roll from Amy's Asian Foods, or Breakfast/lunch at Sundance Java Bar!

Group Discount

In efforts to assist our member agencies we will reimburse you \$5 for every card you sell. Contact us for more information.

Where to purchase

\$500 value for only \$20

Cards are available at the VCR office and Misty Finn's Bar & Lounge. We will also be at the Black Creek Community Association Christmas Fair on Dec 6th from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and the Maritime Heritage Market on December 21st from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Who We Are

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Fast Facts

66.47 %

From Nov. 1-24, 2014, **226** New people went online through our website to search for volunteer opportunities.

33.53%

From Nov. 1-24, 2014, **114** Returning visitors went online to look for volunteer opportunities.

"In this life we cannot always do great things...

But we can do small things with great love".

Mother Theresa

NEW TENTS!

We are excited to have 2 brand new 10x10 event tents available for rental.

These new tents are much easier to put up, and lighter to move around, than our tents we had in the past.

Member agencies can rent each one for \$25 and non-members for \$50 per day.

Call 250-287-8111 to book a date!

Our most sincere thanks to Noon Rotary for your generous donation!



New Tents to Rent!



We have now registered for the Boston Pizza Earn Back Program.

Boston Pizza will generously give us 10% of your total receipts in the form of a gift certificate. Eat great food, put Volunteer CR on back of your receipt, and drop it in the Community box located near the front of the restaurant,

It's that easy! Don't forget Boston Pizza is also a BOGO card sponsor!

Thank you to everyone for your support!

Online Resources

Volunteer Managers: Discover how your volunteers want to be a acknowledged for their efforts. -

<http://volunteer.ca/blog/volunteer-recognition-tool-now-live-l-outil-de-reconnaissance-des-b-n-voles-maintenant>

Volunteer Canada created the *Canadian Code for Volunteer Involvement* to support organizations that engage volunteers. The Code is a framework for involving volunteers in all levels of an organization. This includes volunteers working in leadership, direct service and virtual roles. We encourage all organizations to think about how they engage volunteers.

<http://volunteer.ca/content/canadian-code-volunteer-involvement-2012-edition>

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http://www.charitylaw.ca/index.php?page_id=106

MEMBER NEWS/EVENTS

The City of CR – Rec & Culture is offering activities to keep kids creative and active this season. Clay projects, Mesh Ribbon Wreaths, Christmas ornaments, plus many other fun things to do. Check out the Fall Recreation Guide or visit the Sportsplex or Community Centre for info.

Second Chance Recovery House is looking for donations to help their clients this season. Winter clothing and Christmas gifts such as shirts, pants, hoodies, socks, underwear, toiletries, gift cards, chocolate, games, gum, mugs, etc. are greatly appreciated. Drop off at 647 Birch or phone 250-830-1103.

The Hospital Auxiliary and Arts Council are partnering together to provide art and design motifs for the Hospital by having local groups (**Family Services, Head Injury Support Group, Carihi, Art Gallery**, local elementary schools, hospital staff) participating. Look for the launch in early January. Contact 250-923-0213 or email arts.council@crarts.ca for information.

Association for Community Living Sunrise Resources and Early Childhood Development has a new name and new location! The Early Intervention Therapies & Infant Development Program are now located on the main floor at 301 Dogwood St. in Dogwood Place Child and Youth Development Centre. Call 250-286-0955 for information.

CR Hospice Society and opened their new Thrift Store. Donations can be made every Tuesday to Saturday at 582 South Dogwood St. during their hours of Tues-Sat 10-4. Accepting clothing, belts, shoes, purses, kitchen goods, electronics, small appliances, books and children's toys. All in clean and usable condition.

The Salvation Army will be at the **CR Storm** game on Nov 30th at Strathcona Gardens to do the official Kick-Off of their Christmas Kettle Campaign. CR Storm is proud to partner to help raise awareness of the needs of the less fortunate in our community.

CR Art Gallery 15th Annual Artisan's market is in full swing. The market is bigger and better with quality handicrafts that support local artisans. Open Mondays to Saturdays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. until Christmas Eve and open until 8 p.m. during Starlight Shopping on the Nov.28th.

The Women's Centre is hosting the Rose Harbour Health Fair on Nov 27th from 1-4 p.m. A Nurse Practitioner, Diabetic Educator, Public Health Nurse, Massage Therapist and Dietician will be there to administer flu shots, pap tests, STI testing, Contraceptive Info, Diet/ Nutrition Info, Massages, plus more! Free lunch provided.

The **CR Children's Choir** will be giving two performance Saturday Dec. 6 at Trinity Presbyterian Church at 2:30 and 7:00 p.m. Tickets available at The Music Plant. The concert will feature music from Baroque to Bruno Mars with some Christmas favorites.

The **Museum of CR** is hosting it's annual Christmas Lego Day on Dec. 6 from 1-2:30 p.m. Cost is \$5. Bring the family to work on the lego tree and once again Lego master Alexander Witcombe will offer a prize.



CR Vineyard Christian Fellowship holds weekly service on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. 2215 Campbell River Rd. Sunday school begins at 10:45 a.m. www.crvineyard.ca 250-286-3372.

Trinity Presbyterian Church morning service and Sunday school is on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. 145 Simms Rd, Willow Point. www.trinitypres.com

Baha'i Faith Weekly Devotional Worship Service will be held at Sybil Andrews Cottage starting December 7th from 10 to 11 a.m. Visiting, refreshments and music. Bring your voices and instruments. Everyone welcome. Facebook Campbell River Baha'i Community.

"So powerful is the light of unity, that it can illuminate the whole earth",
Baha'u'llah

The **Museum's** Changing Gallery will be alight with 20 gorgeous trees on Fri, Nov 28th at 5 p.m. and on display all of December. Bring your chair & enjoy the Big Truck Parade on their property.

Amber Zirnhelt

November Good Deeds Winner



Amber has been with the John Howard Society Kidstart Program for 2 1/2 years where she has spent hundreds of hours supporting, guiding, and encouraging her 13 year old mentee to be her best.

Amber has made a positive impact on her mentee's life through her gift of time and friendship by biking, dancing, dogwalking, cooking and just being together.

Congratulations Amber! Thank you for your community support!

Next Deadline - December 10th!

The deadline for the next Good Deeds nomination is December 10th. The selected winner receives a \$25 Gift Certificate to a restaurant of their choice and the nominating agency receives \$200 free advertising with the CR Mirror Newspaper.

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CR Daybreak Rotary



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Volunteer Campbell River Mission Statement

To advance the quality of volunteerism and community engagement through leadership and training to individuals and non-profit organizations.

Submit your upcoming Member News for our next newsletter by December 10th @ 2 p.m. Email mail@volunteercr.ca

Contact Us

Give us a call for more information about our services and products.

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