

# Volunteer Opportunities

## Volunteers Needed!

**Make a difference in your community – get involved and volunteer.**

Being a volunteer is a great way to meet new people, to be active in your community and to have some fun! It's also an excellent opportunity to gain valuable work experience, to learn new skills and to complete your mandatory high school community service hours.

The Community Services Department is always looking for eager and enthusiastic volunteers to assist with community programs and events.

Specific volunteer positions are frequently posted on our website.

Visit [RichmondHill.ca](http://RichmondHill.ca) for more volunteer information and to build your personal profile today. For questions about volunteering, contact the Volunteer Assistant at [volunteers@richmondhill.ca](mailto:volunteers@richmondhill.ca) or call 905 884 0855, ext. 227.



### SOME OF THE OPPORTUNITIES YOU CAN VOLUNTEER FOR...

- General recreation programs
- Aquatics programs
- Events like the Santa Claus Parade, Canada Day, Heritage Village festival, park openings, Concerts in the Park
- Holiday break programs
- Summer camp programs
- Parks Ambassador program
- Outdoor education and environmental programs
- The McConaghy Seniors' Centre
- Heritage Services
- The Film Festival
- Natural Heritage
- Youth Drop-In Programs; and
- The Richmond Hill Centre for the Performing Arts



Volunteering is a very rewarding experience.

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Being a volunteer in Community Services is a great way to meet new friends, gain experience and have fun! Anyone interested in volunteering for Community Services Department programs is required to attend a Volunteer Orientation Session (approximately two hours long). The session does not guarantee a volunteer placement, but does prepare for the potential placement within our Department. There is no cost to this session, however, participants must pre-register.

Once you have attended an Orientation Session, log on to **RichmondHill.ca** and build your **Volunteer Profile**. Once confirmed, you will be able to view a wide variety of volunteer positions available in Community Services and schedule yourself based on your availability. To register for one of these orientation sessions, please complete a program registration form or use TouchTone or Internet Registration. Upon successful completion of this volunteer orientation session, volunteers will have an opportunity to assist our Department in a number of programs (general and aquatics) and events throughout the year.

## GENERAL PROGRAM VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES (minimum age of 14 required)

### FALL 2011

SESSION	DATE	LOCATION	TIME	CODE
Fall Programs (Sep-Dec)	September 13, 2011	Richvale C.C.	6 p.m.	325418
Winter Break (Dec 27-Jan 6)	December 6, 2011	Richvale C.C.	6 p.m.	334067

### WINTER 2012

Winter Programs (Jan-Mar)	December 13, 2011	Richvale C.C.	6 p.m.	334066
March Break (Mar 9-16)	February 28, 2012	Richvale C.C.	6 p.m.	334116

## AQUATIC VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES (minimum age of 14 and Bronze Cross required)

### FALL 2011

SESSION	DATE	LOCATION	TIME	CODE
Aquatic Orientation	September 25, 2011	Centennial Pool	9 a.m.	334068
Aquatic Orientation	October 6, 2011	Wave Pool	6 p.m.	334069
Aquatic Orientation	October 16, 2011	Centennial Pool	9 a.m.	334076
Aquatic Orientation	November 6, 2011	Richvale Pool	1 p.m.	334070
Aquatic Orientation	December 11, 2011	Centennial Pool	9 a.m.	334071
Aquatic Orientation	December 18, 2011	Richvale Pool	9 a.m.	334072

### WINTER 2012

Aquatic Orientation	January 8, 2012	Centennial Pool	9 a.m.	334073
Aquatic Orientation	February 12, 2012	Richvale Pool	1 p.m.	334074
Aquatic Orientation	March 11, 2012	Centennial Pool	9 a.m.	334075

## LEISURE BUDDY ADAPTED AQUATICS VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES (minimum age of 14 and Bronze Cross required)

Richmond Hill welcomes individuals of all abilities to participate in our programs. Leisure Buddy Adapted Aquatic Volunteers are directly linked to individual participants with disabilities to provide 1:1 support in the water while they learn to swim. Come join the fun and be part of this exciting and rewarding new program! Please bring your bathing suit and be prepared to go in the water.

### FALL 2011

SESSION	DATE	LOCATION	TIME	CODE
Fall Leisure Buddy Program	September 12, 2011	Elgin West C.C.	4 - 7:30 p.m.	334216

### WINTER 2012

Winter Leisure Buddy Program	December 15, 2011	Bayview Hill C.C.	4 - 7:30 p.m.	334217
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# Volunteer Awards

## 50th Annual Volunteer Achievement Awards Celebration

**Do you know someone who volunteers and is worthy of recognition?**

Nominate them today for a **Richmond Hill Volunteer Achievement Award!**

The Richmond Hill Volunteer Achievement Award honours residents who generously contribute their time as a volunteer in Richmond Hill and who have provided service over the years to give back to the community.

## Enbridge Youth Volunteer Achievement Award

In partnership with Enbridge Gas Distribution, Richmond Hill presents the **10th Annual Enbridge Youth Volunteer Award**. This honour is open to nominations of volunteers 18 or younger who have made a difference in the community.



### THE ENBRIDGE YOUTH VOLUNTEER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

will be given out at the **50th Annual Volunteer Achievement Awards Night** and the recipient will receive \$500 towards a Registered Educational Savings Plan.

Please visit [RichmondHill.ca/VolunteerAwards](http://RichmondHill.ca/VolunteerAwards) to download a nomination form. All nominations must be submitted by **4:30 p.m., Monday, February 26** and the awards will be presented in April.

All nominations will be reviewed by the Award Committee, who will then make the recommendation(s) to Council for their final selection. Those selected will be notified and invited to a special ceremony.

Email [events@richmondhill.ca](mailto:events@richmondhill.ca) for more information.

**Live Right Now** is a national initiative by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC) designed to inspire Canadians to join together and change the health of this country. The idea is built around the small steps everyone can take in their life to improve their health. There are wide variety of activities and programs you can participate in that support the *Live Right Now* program, including swimming, skating, fitness classes, dance classes, sports (from basketball to table tennis) or take a walk on any of the many trails in our parks. Look through this guide for programs and activities available for people of all ages and abilities.

So if you want to learn more about *Live Right Now*, go to [cbc.ca/liverightnow](http://cbc.ca/liverightnow). There you will find lots of resources from diet and exercise tips to challenges you can participate in with friends, neighbours and fellow Canadians – and you'll also find a group you can join for Richmond Hill residents...let's show the rest of Canada what we can do!



[cbc.ca/liverightnow](http://cbc.ca/liverightnow)