Career and Employment tip sheets

STRATEGIC VOLUNTEERING – Worksheet Know Your Goal(s)

MOTIVATION TO VOLUNTEER		
Personal reasons	Enhance your resume/gain specific experience	
Try something new	Travel to a new destination	
Make a difference in the community	\Box Meet people with similar interests, grow connections	
Explore jobs for career options	\Box Experience a new culture, language and way of life	
🗆 Learn new skills		
LOCATION PREFERENCES		
🗆 On campus/in my community	International	
🗆 Local	Transportation required	
National	□ Travel involved	
TIME COMMITMENT DESIRED		
Flexible time commitment	□ Full time commitment	
Set number of hours per week	🗆 Quarterly	
🗆 Contract	Semi-annually	
Project/event based	Annually	
Less than 15 hours per month		
TRAINING		
No training required	\Box On the job training provided	
□ General orientation	\Box Continuous training with ongoing volunteer commitment	
QUALIFICATIONS YOU BRING		
Education	Additional training/certifications	
Some post secondary completed	□ First Aid/CPR	
Certificate/diploma completed	□ ProServe	
University degree completed		
Skills and knowledge	Suicide intervention training	
Operating systems: Windows, Mac, Linux, etc.	Mental health awareness training	
Software: Microsoft Office, Adobe, Google, etc.	Drivers licence – class	
\Box Job specific skills (e.g., marketing, accounting, research,	Drivers abstract – current	
technical, administrative, event planning)	Police and/or security clearance	
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Specific personal qualities/traits. List:	□ References	

For more information on volunteering, see tip sheet *Strategic Volunteering*, available in Career Services and online, <u>mru.ca/careerservices/tipsheets</u>.

Explore Your Options – check all interests

ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST	FOCUS	INDUSTRY
Accounting / Bookkeeping	□ Addictions	Arts, Culture, Entertainment
Administrative / Office	🗆 Advocacy	🗆 Galleries
Build houses or playgrounds	Crisis/emergency support	🗆 Museums
Care for the sick or elderly	□ Diversity	🗆 Theatres
□ Clean-up or repairs in a community	 Education and literacy 	Development, Social Services, Housing
Coach, mentor, tutor	,	Advisory boards, committees
Counselling support	🗆 Employment	Community neighbourhood services
Crisis line	Fundraising	Resource providers (e.g., food bank)
Education assistant	🗆 Human rights	Service clubs (e.g., Rotary)
Environmental protection	Mentoring, coaching, officiating	Youth programs/organizations/
Errands, deliveries	Mental health	centres
Event planning	Physical health	Education and Research
□ Facilitate, instruct	Public policy	🗆 Libraries
	□ Technology/administrative support	Post secondary institutions
□ Fund-raising		Pre/elementary schools/programs
Gather and analyze data		Proposal/grant writing
 Homeless shelter, kitchens, food bank, street outreach 		Secondary schools
□ Human resources / Recruiting		Subject matter research
□ Important issue awareness		Health and Wellness
□ Life skills	CLIENT GROUPS	Emergency relief/crisis centres
□ Marketing / Promotion	□ Animals	Health and wellness education/
Media assistants	🗆 Children	outreach
Nursing / Health Care Support	Persons experiencing homelessnes or	Hospitals/rehabilitation facilities
Outdoor pursuits	addictions	Religious/spiritual institutions/
Police Services victim assistance	Immigrants/newcomers/refugees	programs
Policy writing	□ LGBTQ+	□ Sport and recreation programs/
Political campaign assistance	□ Offenders	centres/arenas
Project planning	□ Parents/families	Law, Advocacy, Politics
Public speaking		□ Animal and bylaw enforcement
🗆 Research	Patients	Cadet programs (e.g., fire) Civia provincial patients
🗆 Social media	Persons experiencing disabilities	Civic, provincial, national government
Social work	Persons in trouble with the law	Commissions, committees
Technical services, computer	□ Seniors	Elections
information	Victims of crime, bullying etc.	□ International and NGOs
□ Tree planting	□ Women at risk	□ Offender/victim support
Usher, host, network	□ Youth	□ Rights organizations (human/animal)
□ Volunteer coordinator		Science, Technology, Environment
□ Work with animals		Conservation, habitat
 Writing: articles, social media, technical, education programs, etc. 		🗆 Parks
		Science centres

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