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## **VOLUNTEER INFORMATION PACKAGE**



"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." — Winston Churchill

"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart." — Elizabeth Andrew

"Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless." - Sherry Anderson

"Volunteers are love in motion!" - Author Unknown

#### **About US**

Barrhead & District Family & Community Support Services Society was incorporated on November 26, 1997

**Our Mission:** Provides preventative programs and services that strive to enhance and strengthen individuals, families, and the communities we serve.

**Our Vision:** All people have the opportunity to live a safe and healthy life as valued members of the communities we serve.

## **Volunteer Opportunities**

**Food Bank** 

Family/After School Programs

**Seniors Programs** 

Meals on Wheels (Driver)

**Compass Facilitator** 

In School Mentor

**Special Projects** 

Newcomer Welcome Basket

Community/Volunteer Event Committees

Community Volunteer Inc Tax

**Christmas Programs** 

**Snow Angels** 

**WECAN Food Basket** 

ChillZone

Transportation

Coats for Kids

# Family and Community Support Services

Under FCSS, communities design and deliver social programs that are preventative in nature to promote and enhance well-being among individuals, families, and communities.

Programs are intended to help individuals within their communities to adopt healthy lifestyles thereby improving the quality of life and building the capacity to deal with crisis situations.

Our Volunteers help deliver programs to ensure their success.

## **FCSS VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

Any volunteer driving the FCSS Van or transporting FCSS Clients MUST have a driver's abstract on file.

## 1. Food Bank – all year

- Prepare food hampers to those who are temporarily without or in emergency situations. Food Bank hours: Thursday: 10 am 4 pm.
- Pick up food for Food Bank with FCSS Van
- Unload, receive and organize food donations.
- Maintain records.

## 2. Family Resource Network – September – June

- Various programs working with families, children and Youth.
- Supervising children and youth during after school programs and day camps

## 3. Senior's Programs – all year

 Assist with exercise program, luncheons, cultural/educational programs, community outings and social activities.

## 4. Meals on Wheels – Drivers – all year

- Pick up and deliver meals in town during the week during supper hour.
- 1-2 shifts every month.

#### 5. COMPASS Facilitator: As interest is identified

COMPASS is a support program for Caregivers:

- Organize presentations and promote and register participants for the COMPASS Program Present 2 information sessions to
- the public re: COMPASS (one during the day, one at night)
- Provide COMPASS Program to Caregivers (5 weeks; time of year decided by participants)
- COMPASS Training for Facilitators in the spring every 2 years; Facilitators must attend.

#### 6. Special Projects – All year

- Short-term projects, program support
- Fundraising activities, food drives and community events

## 7. In-School Mentor: October – June at Barrhead Elementary School

- 1 hour a week
- Mentor an elementary student, play games, arts and crafts, read, etc.

## 8. Newcomer Welcome Package Program – All Year

Invite the Barrhead Business community to participate:

- Coordinate collection of materials from businesses
- Assemble packages.
- Maintain stats re: newcomers.

## 9. Community Volunteer Income Tax Program - March - April

- Complete simple income tax returns
- Necessary skills computer literate and good with numbers
- Must have a computer/laptop, printer and access to internet.
- Training is included to volunteer for this program.

## 11. Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon – April

- Participate on planning committee for Volunteer Appreciation
- Meet once a month until March; then every 2 weeks until event
- Help with Tickets, Budget, Decorations

## 12. Coats for Kids: (November)

- Hand out posters
- Organize coats.
- Put coats away at the end of the project.

## 13. Christmas Programs – November & December

#### Santa's Toy Box/Adopt a Family

- Set up and distribute toys.
- Purchase toys, wrapping paper, etc. as needed while maintaining budget.
- Register families, keep records of toys per family and donations collected.
- Phone clients re: pick up time/date.
- Prepare thank you notes to donors.

#### 15. Snow Angels – October - May

• Shovel snow from walkways/driveways for the elderly, disabled or those recovering from illness.

## 16. WECAN Food Cooperative - Once a month - All Year

• Load, deliver, unload and organize food baskets.

#### 17. ChillZone

• After school program for Grades 3-6, 7-9, and 10-12.

## 18. Transportation

- Class 4 driver's license required
- To transport 55+ and people with disabilities
- Social outings, medical appointments, etc.

\*\*Interested?? Fill out our Volunteer Application and get the appropriate record checks and hand it in to the FCSS office when all the information is complete.





## **BARRHEAD VOLUNTEER REGISTRY Barrhead & District Family and Community Support Services Society**

# **VOLUNTEER APPLICATION FORM** PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION:

Address: Street/ PO Box Phone Number: Home Email Address: Emergency Contact: Name	<del>-</del>	Postal Code Cell DOB:
Phone Number: Home Email Address: Emergency Contact:		
Email Address: Emergency Contact:	<del>-</del>	
Emergency Contact:		
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PERSONAL REFERENCES:		
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PREVIOUS VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE/O		
List current and/or previous work exp	erience: 	
List previous volunteer experience:		

Please include any other informa	ation you would like us to kno	w to help process yo	ur application: 
Please note an initial interview a approved.	and further paperwork will be	required before you	application can be
The information on this form is a accordance with the Freedom of eligibility.		• •	
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