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# We are Vancouver. We Volunteer!



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## City of Vancouver Volunteer Newsletter

### VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION OPEN HOUSE

Whether you've given a few hours or a lifetime of service, you are invited to attend our annual City of Vancouver volunteer appreciation event!



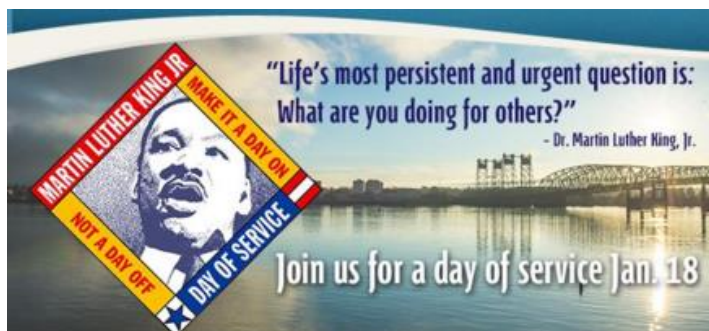
Drop in for coffee, tea and pastries. Get to know other Vancouver volunteers, share 2015 volunteer highlights and learn about upcoming opportunities.

When: Saturday, February 6, 2016 from 10 a.m. - noon

Where: Luepke Center (1009 E McLoughlin Blvd)

Plan to stop by? RSVP to Carrie Vogelzang, [cityvolunteer@cityofvancouver.us](mailto:cityvolunteer@cityofvancouver.us) or 360-487-8344

### CITYWIDE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



### VOLUNTEER CALENDAR

Click on the icon to view our volunteer event calendar.



### APPLY NOW

Complete an [online application](#) to sign up as an ongoing volunteer.

### LOG YOUR HOURS

Already a volunteer? Don't forget to log your hours in the [Volunteer Information Center \(VIC\)](#).

### QUESTIONS?

Fill out a [Volunteer Inquiry Form](#) or contact:  
Hailey Heath  
Volunteer Coordinator  
360-487-8344  
[cityvolunteer@cityofvancouver.us](mailto:cityvolunteer@cityofvancouver.us)

## MLK DAY OF SERVICE - 1/18

In 1994, Congress declared Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the third Monday in January, to be a national day of service. The MLK Jr. Day of Service is the only federal holiday intended to be "a day on, not a day off". The City of Vancouver will host a variety of volunteer opportunities to celebrate the spirit of giving back to the community. Events include:

- [Old City Cemetery Clean Up](#): 9 – 11:30 a.m.
- [Water Resources Education Center Beach Clean Up](#): 9:30 a.m. - noon
- [Blandford Canyon Ivy Pull](#): 9 a.m. – noon
- [Father Blanchet Park Work Party](#): 9 a.m. – noon
- Donate to the ["Toiletries for Teens" Drive](#) now thru Jan.14

Visit [www.cityofvancouver.us/MLKDay](http://www.cityofvancouver.us/MLKDay) for details and to RSVP!

## URBAN FORESTRY Tree Planting Work Parties - 2016

To increase our City's tree canopy, we partner with [Friends of Trees](#), to offer tree planting work parties from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the following Vancouver neighborhoods:

- January 16 - Central
- February 20 - Westside
- March 26 - NE

Learn more: [www.friendsoftrees.org/plant](http://www.friendsoftrees.org/plant), see their [calendar of events](#) or contact Megan Van de Mark, [meganv@friendsoftrees.org](mailto:meganv@friendsoftrees.org) or 360-487-8324.

## NEIGHBORS ON WATCH (NOW) VOLUNTEERS

The [Vancouver Police Department](#) is recruiting citizens to add to its 130



## PROGRAM NEWSLETTERS AND MORE

- [Office of Neighborhoods - Weekly Update](#)
- [Citizen Corps - Blog](#)
- [Trauma Intervention Program \(TIP\) - Volunteers needed now.](#)
- [CRESA 311 Non-Emergency Line Information](#)
- [City improvements with volunteer support to the Mill Plain Extension on Katu News](#)

## VOLUNTEER FORMS

- [Minor Consent Form](#)
- [Volunteer Event Sign-in](#)
- [Ongoing Volunteer Form](#)

patrol team called Neighbors On Watch (NOW). NOW volunteers assist the department by patrolling the city on foot, on bikes and in vehicles. NOW volunteers work in pairs and are trained to report anything suspicious or criminal. Residents of the city of Vancouver should apply for the NOW program by **January 27**, to be considered for the Spring training session. For more information, visit <http://tinyurl.com/m8j528k> or call **Volunteer Services Coordinator Kelly Cheney** at **360-487-7467**.

## #VancouverVolunTEEN

VancouverVolunTEEN, a program for teens to give back to the community, will pick back up in February! Follow #VancouverVolunTEEN on [Facebook](#)



(Van Parks Rec), [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#) (@GoPlayVancouver) for updates and reminders.

Upcoming Events:

2/11 - Water Resources Education Center

2/18 - 78th St Heritage Farm Community Garden

2/25 - Clean and Shine at Marshall Community Center

[Learn more and RSVP](#) today.

### PARKS AND RECREATION

We are actively recruiting volunteers to:

- [Become a Front Desk Assistant at FCC](#)
- [Adopt-A-Park \(AAP\)](#)
- [Support the annual Father Daughter Valentine's Day Ball](#)



## COMMUNITY PARTNER FOCUS

### COLUMBIA SPRINGS

Their mission is to provide our community a unique setting where educational experiences foster a greater awareness of the natural



world, inspiring stewardship. Become a volunteer lead and help with field trips, events and restoration work parties!

Free training provided Feb. 3 and 4. Hors d'oeuvres and beverages provided. Learn more:  
[www.columbiasprings.org/events](http://www.columbiasprings.org/events)

