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Notice of Volunteer Canada's Annual General Meeting

Volunteer Canada's Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday, June 7, 2010.

Date: Monday, June 7, 2010

Time: 12:00 (noon) to 1:30 p.m.

Location: Hotel Indigo, 123 Metcalfe Street, Ottawa

Click here to see the AGM [agenda](#).

Members who cannot attend the AGM and wish to exercise their vote, please complete and submit [a proxy form](#).

For more information on the AGM, or to **RSVP please** contact (613) 231-4371 / 1-800-670-0401 ext 228 or e-mail info@volunteer.ca.

Volunteer Canada membership renewal

This year's membership renewal drive is in full swing and we're putting out the call to make sure you renew yours. As of March 31, 2010 all memberships from the previous year that have not been renewed have expired. Please contact membership@volunteer.ca to speak to a representative about ensuring your membership has not lapsed.

Remember, not only is membership with Volunteer Canada an opportunity to connect your organization with thousands of other non-profit and charitable groups, it also allows you to be a part of a continuously growing community, developed to foster and promote volunteerism in Canada.

New to membership this year is a bi-monthly spotlight on the different causes, organizations and events our members coordinate or participate in throughout the year. We want to know what is happening in our country and we can help spread your message through our networks. The new Members Only section of volunteer.ca will provide weekly updates on what is going on in our community while

highlighting what is happening in yours as well. Please visit the membership section on www.volunteer.ca and click on the Members Only tab to be directed to the site.

Make sure you are the first to be in the know on volunteerism, hear about the latest research or surveys, and have access to the latest resources through our Members Only section by renewing your membership today. Take advantage of the many benefits offered by Volunteer Canada!

Press Release - Pepsi To Give Away \$1 Million Dollars To Fund Positive Ideas

MISSISSAUGA, ONT -- A new Pepsi poll shows that 92% of Canadians would like to do something to improve the world around them, but many lack the money and the know-how to put their ideas into action.

Canadians passionate about change will now have the means to put their ideas into action with the arrival in Canada of the Pepsi Refresh Project (PRP), a groundbreaking movement to foster innovation in social good. In the year ahead, Pepsi will give away more than \$1 million dollars to help fund Canadians' ideas for moving the world forward in a positive way.

"The Pepsi Refresh Project will feature significant social engagement around people and the power of ideas, and it was developed with the belief that great ideas can come from anyone, anywhere, anytime," said Stacy Reichert, President of PepsiCo Beverages Canada. "This isn't a campaign; it's a new way of doing business. It transcends corporate philanthropy or cause marketing, because it's focused on deep consumer engagement – and the power of individuals' ideas to make a positive difference with Pepsi's support."

Here's how it will work: Canadians (individuals or organizations) can visit www.refresheverything.ca immediately to learn more about the program and to download a Submission Toolkit. Then, on June 1, they can submit their idea for a grant in one of six categories: Health, Arts & Culture, Food & Shelter, The Planet, Neighborhoods and Education. Ideas must be beneficial, achievable, constructive and "shovel-ready". On July 1, voting opens on the site – meaning that Canadians, not Pepsi, get to decide who has the best ideas and who gets the grants.

[Click here to read more.](#)

National Conference on Volunteering and Service

New York City, June 28-30, 2010

Convened by the [Points of Light Institute](#), the [Corporation for National and Community Service](#), and locally convened by [NYC Service](#) and [New Yorkers Volunteer](#).

The annual event provides attendees with an opportunity to learn, connect, and be inspired through a wide range of exciting and informative plenary sessions, workshops, special events, service projects, exhibits, specialized corporate tracks and more. As the world's largest gathering of volunteer and service leaders from the nonprofit, government, and corporate sectors, all are invited.

Members of the Volunteer Canada team will be attending. Let us know if you plan to attend – email Wendy Mitchell, Director of Corporate Citizenship and Fund Development at wmitchell@volunteer.ca as she will be arranging an informal gathering of Canadians during the conference.

For more information visit <http://www.volunteeringandservice.org/learn/about.cfm>

NNVIO Member Profile: Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation



The Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation (CBCF) is an active member of the National Network of Volunteer-Involving Organizations (NNVIO). CBCF is the leading national volunteer-based organization in Canada dedicated to creating a future without breast cancer. Established in 1986 by a dedicated group of volunteers, the Foundation works collaboratively to fund, support and advocate for: relevant and innovative research; meaningful education and awareness programs; early diagnosis and effective treatment, and a positive quality of life for those living with breast cancer. In keeping with its grassroots beginnings, the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation continues to benefit from the support of thousands of volunteers across the country. Volunteers are the backbone of the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation, and they dedicate endless hours to help the Foundation in its work. Volunteers take on all kinds of roles: Board members and committee members; special event coordinators; grant review panelists; professional advisors; major gifts fundraisers; Run Directors with the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation CIBC Run for the Cure, and administrative support.