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Volunteer Canada Annual General Meeting takes place Monday, September 17

Volunteer Canada is hosting its Annual General Meeting on Monday, September 17, 2012.

Date: Monday September 17, 2012

Time: 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. ET

Location: Desmarais Building, 12th Floor

University of Ottawa
55 Laurier Avenue East, Ottawa, ON

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

If you're a member who cannot attend the AGM and wish to exercise your vote, [please complete and submit a proxy form](#).

For more information about the AGM or to RSVP, please contact Alison Light, Executive Assistant, at alight@volunteer.ca or 1 (800) 670-0401 ext. 228.

This year's AGM will be preceded by Volunteer Canada's Public Policy Summit, focused on volunteering, community resilience and place making. Attendees of the Summit will leave the event with a better understanding of policy issues impacting volunteerism and multi-sector perspectives. The Summit keynote, delivered by Dr. Katherine Loflin, Principal at [Loflin Consulting Solutions](#), will kick off the AGM. Dr. Loflin's session will explore key themes related to community involvement and place making.

[Click here](#) for more information and to register for the Summit.

New exclusive Member Briefing for Volunteer Canada members

Volunteer Canada continues to deliver the highest value to its members. Through our survey of member organizations you told us you wanted to hear from us more often. So we're providing bi-annual member

briefings. These briefings feature important updates on our organization's priorities, delivered by Ruth MacKenzie, President & CEO.

Our first briefing will include highlights from our Public Policy Summit in September, for those who can't attend in person. The Public Policy Summit will provide attendees with new knowledge and insights on public policy issues related to volunteering and social inclusion. The summit also features multi-sector perspectives on policy issues and will include opportunities for networking and collaboration.

[Become a member today](#) to receive the upcoming member briefing.

How does a membership with Volunteer Canada benefit your organization? [Click here to find out.](#)

SAP hosts global competition for community-building projects

SAP and Ashoka Changemakers have launched *The Power of Small: Entrepreneurs Strengthening Local Economies*. The global competition is looking for non-profits that have introduced innovative strategies to support emerging entrepreneurs and small businesses in improving their communities.

Four winners will each receive a comprehensive capital, technology and promotion package from SAP – including a cash prize of US **\$10,000** and a technology donation to improve their operations.

Any non-profit that submits a solution around economic growth and entrepreneurship is eligible to win. For more information about the competition, visit <http://www.changemakers.com/powerofsmall>.