

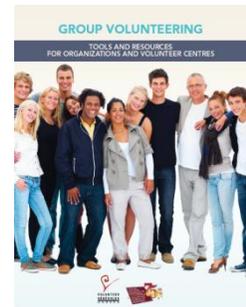
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New Group Volunteering Handbooks available on volunteer.ca

Volunteer Canada's landmark [Bridging the Gap](#) study found that, while many volunteers are interested in volunteering in groups, most organizations are not equipped to offer such opportunities. Produced in partnership with the [Volunteer Bureau of Montreal](#), [Group Volunteering Handbook: Tools and Resources for Organizations and Volunteer Centres](#), shows organizations how to create group volunteering opportunities, and provides best practices for group volunteer engagement, such as employee volunteers, service clubs, youth groups, classes and more. [Group Volunteering: Key Resources for Groups Wanting to Volunteer](#) is a tool for volunteers that outlines the basics of group volunteering, and offers tips for finding fulfilling group volunteering opportunities. Both handbooks include a list of helpful resources for more in-depth learning.



Reminder: National Volunteer Recognition Survey

How does your organization recognize volunteers? Are you recognizing them in a way that is meaningful to them? As a volunteer, are you satisfied with the way organizations have recognized the time and skills you have contributed? How do you like to be recognized?

As part of our work around National Volunteer Week 2014, Volunteer Canada has begun developing new tools and resources exploring best practices and innovative strategies in volunteer recognition in Canada. Tell us what ways of saying “thanks” work for you in one of our short surveys. If you are an organization/are involved in volunteer engagement, please click [here](#) (or, send [this survey](#) to your own volunteers). If you are a volunteer, please click [here](#).

A Response to the *Volunteering and Older Adults Report* on the *eVOLution* Blog

Canadian seniors collectively volunteered more than 372 million hours in 2010 alone. Many organizations rely heavily on older adult volunteers to provide continuity and leadership. Donna Lockhart of [The RETHINK Group](#) shares her thoughts about Volunteer Canada's [Volunteering and Older Adults Report](#) on the [eVOLution blog](#).

Cenovus: A Leader in Employee Volunteering



Volunteer Canada is proud to congratulate [Cenovus](#), a member of our [Corporate Council on Volunteering](#), for receiving the Leader in Employee Volunteering Award. This award recognizes Calgary organizations that demonstrate leadership, partnership development and innovation in employer supported volunteering. [Volunteer Calgary](#)'s annual Leadership Awards celebrate the contributions and accomplishments of outstanding volunteers in the community, leaders of volunteer programs, outstanding youth volunteers, employee volunteers, innovative volunteer programs, and exceptional individual volunteers.

Ready for Crisis

Visit [this page](#) to learn how you can help with flood relief efforts in Southern Alberta.