

VOLUNTEER PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS – 2018

Agriculture in the Classroom (AITC)

Agriculture in the Classroom is a program that provides activities and games surrounding gardening, healthy eating, sustainability and cultural perspectives for young people. We will be helping with this programming as well as helping in the gardens picking weeds and caring for the plants.

The Good Food Box (CHEP)

The Good Food Box is a project that exists in conjunction with the Children's Hunger and Education Program. It is an alternative community-based food distribution system that provides a variety of quality food at an affordable price for families and individuals. We will be helping to clean and sanitize the returnable plastic containers that the food comes in as well as packing the boxes with food in an assembly line fashion.

Saskatoon Food Bank and Learning Centre

The Saskatoon Food Bank and Learning Centre's goal is to make sure all people in our community have access to safe, affordable, and nutritious food. We will be helping sort food to put into hampers or into the store for sale.

Garden Patch

The Garden Patch is a community-driven urban agriculture initiative of the Saskatoon Food Bank and Learning Centre. In the last five years, the Garden Patch has harvested over 100,000 lbs. of produce to be distributed to the community. We will be assisting with the planting and harvesting of the various vegetables as well as the weeding and upkeep of the garden.

Meals on Wheels (MOW)

Meals on Wheels is a program administered by the Saskatoon Health Region. Well-balanced and nutritious meals are made and delivered at the lowest possible cost to recipients. We will be retrieving the meals from the Saskatoon Convalescent Home and delivering them throughout the city.

Habitat for Humanity (H4H)

H4H brings families and communities in need, together with volunteers and resources to build safe, affordable housing. We will be doing activities such as painting, landscaping, building fences, and installing flooring. Volunteers must be 16 years of age or older. Please wear old clothes and closed toed shoes. If you have a pair of steel-toed boots, please wear them. Or, if you can borrow a pair, please do so. Not to worry if you don't have a pair as H4H will supply; some might be too big so bring along an extra pair of socks. Please bring a bag lunch and a filled water bottle. Check with team leader in the circumstance of rain.

Summer Snack Program (Snack)

The aim of this program is to provide a nutritious lunch to children in a friendly, picnic-style atmosphere. We will be helping prepare and bag the lunches at the school. From there, we will drive out to various inner-city parks and serve lunch to children. This year we are requesting that our volunteers are 13 years of age or older due to the ages of the children we are working with in this program.

Oliver Lodge

Oliver Lodge is a care home for those who need assisted living. In previous years, we have given the senior citizens manicures and gone for walks in the park.

Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan (SOTS) (Shakespeare Tents)

Shakespeare on the Saskatchewan celebrates drama and music by featuring two Shakespeare plays every summer. We will be assisting by taking tickets, ushering and working to sort recyclables. Please come prepared for both possibilities and remember bug spray.

Ilarion Residence

Ilarion Residence is an assisted living home for senior citizens. Projects here will include taking residents out to the mall for ice cream, partaking in games day, and visiting with senior citizens.

Meewasin Valley Authority (MVA)

The MVA is a conservation organization dedicated to protecting the natural and cultural heritage resources of the South Saskatchewan River Valley in Saskatoon and area. Volunteers will be planting wild flowers and grass plugs in the park. Please wear old clothes and bring a water bottle.

Parkridge Centre

Parkridge is a care home for those who need assisted living. We will be assisting with their carnival day and may be taking residents for walks and visiting with them. Last year, we also assisted at the annual Strawberry Social.

Tourism Saskatoon

Tourism Saskatoon helps newcomers to Saskatoon learn about all of the wonderful places and activities that they might be interested in visiting while here. Last year, we had a great time handing out informational brochures to people at the many festivals that our city hosts.

FolkFest

FolkFest is an annual, multi-cultural festival comprised of ethnic pavilions located throughout the city. The festival runs from August 16th to 18th. We will be helping various pavilions set up, decorate, and make food. The times and locations have yet to be determined.

Bike Valet (BV)

The Bike Valet is set up in various locations in the city during festivals. This provides residents who are cycling with a safe place to park their bikes while they enjoy the festival. In previous years, we have helped to sign bikes in and out and to watch over the two-wheeled vehicles.

Ronald McDonald House (RMH)

Ronald McDonald House is a residence for families to stay while a sick child is in the hospital. We will be helping them with baking. We might even get to taste!

Friendship Inn

The Saskatoon Friendship Inn is a non-profit organization that serves the community of Saskatoon with hot breakfasts and lunches all year round. They offer programs and

services to meet the growing needs of the person, family and the community. We will be provided with lunch. After lunch we will be serving lunch to the community then helping with clean-up from lunch.

The Princess Shop

We are excited to partner with The Princess Shop for a second year! We will be assisting at their annual fundraising BBQ. Duties include running the snow cone station, helping to prepare burgers and hot dogs, running the registration table, and supervising the bouncy castle.

Pets in the Park

We will be working with New Hope Dog Rescue helping on this day for pet owners to bring their pets to the park. We will be helping with things such as face painting, working at the concession, handing out items to the owners. It is a fun day where we get to be around lots of animals.

The Bridge City Bicycle (BCBC)

The Bridge City Bicycle is a non-profit cooperative that provides workspace, tools and supplies for those in the city who want to learn how to fix their own bicycles. The Youth Volunteers will be paired with a Mechanic (experienced volunteer) and will assist them and members in fixing bikes, as well as any cleaning or organizing that needs to be done throughout the shift.

Salvation Army (SA)

We will be helping the Salvation Army with the Food on the Move program (as detailed below) and also with packing up "Back to School Backpacks" for lower income families who have difficulties affording school supplies.

Food on the Move (FOTM)

A program within the Salvation Army that we will be helping with to make sandwiches and healthy bagged lunches for lower income individuals throughout the city.

Luther Care Communities

Luther Care Communities offers different levels of assisted living for senior citizens. We will be helping the residents of the Luther Care Communities with activities such BINGO.

The Saskatchewan Association for the Rehabilitation of the Brain Injured (SARBI):

SARBI is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing psychosocial rehabilitation and recreation services for acquired brain injury survivors (ABI survivors). They work for the facilitation of the reintegration of ABI survivors into the community with appropriate programs and services. Youth volunteers will socialize with participants by playing games, doing crafts, visiting and may perform some light housekeeping like filling the dishwasher, organizing, mopping or planting flowers. We may also be out at some community activities with the ABI survivors.

Sherbrooke Community Center

Sherbrooke Community Center is a place that offers people requiring assisted living a place to thrive. We will be assisting in the daycare and may be helping with some carnival-like activities.

Other Possibilities:

- Services for Seniors
- Diefenbaker Centre
- Saskatoon Open Door Society
- Pawsitive Independence
- McClure Residences