

## **Parksville Volunteers Bring Heart to Our Community**

Mayor Ed Mayne has proclaimed April 24 to April 30 as Volunteer Week in the City of Parksville. The theme for National Volunteer Week is *Volunteering is Empathy in Action; Volunteers Bring Heart to Canada's Communities*, which reflects the empathy, compassion and generosity of volunteers creates connected communities and builds a stronger Canada.

National Volunteer Week is an opportunity for the City to recognize the contributions of Parksville volunteers in our community. We thank our volunteers and community organizations for their outstanding contribution to our City and acknowledge volunteers as an important partner with government in providing services to citizens. Our community programs rely on volunteers to donate their time to help others every single day. We thank and celebrate those people who care for others and who make a tremendous contribution by volunteering in our community."

Volunteering is often seen as a selfless act; a person gives their time, skills, experience and passion to help others, without expecting anything in return. From opportunities to develop new skills, to finding deep and meaningful personal connections, the magic of volunteering creates social and economic value for all, for individuals, families, organizations, neighbourhoods, communities and ultimately, for Canada itself. For information on Volunteer Week in Canada please see <https://volunteer.ca>.

### **QUOTE - Parksville Mayor Ed Mayne**

"Once again, we see firsthand how people support family, friends, neighbours and strangers, all to the betterment of our community. We recognize the empathy that volunteers show for one another and that this compassion creates a stronger, more connected community."

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# Proclamation

## 2022 Volunteer Week

### City of Parksville

WHEREAS, volunteerism in the City of Parksville plays a vital role in strengthening society, creating a sense of cohesion and unity across the City of Parksville; and

WHEREAS, volunteers in Parksville give their time to help others, contributing thousands of volunteer hours per year; and

WHEREAS, volunteers in Parksville are recognized as an important partner with government in providing services to citizens; and

WHEREAS, volunteers of all ages and backgrounds give generously of their talent, energy and their time to assist individuals and families in the community to mentor our children, feed our hungry, comfort our lonely, beautify our green spaces, and fundraise for our charitable organizations; and

WHEREAS, Parksville citizens contribute to the quality of life of their community using their talents and resources to address major issues facing our community; and

WHEREAS, the collective result of the work done by our City's volunteers is that Parksville is a more desirable place to live, work and play;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ed Mayne, Mayor, on behalf of City Council, hereby proclaim April 24 to 30, 2022, as Volunteer Week in the City of Parksville and urge my fellow citizens to recognize the crucial role played by volunteers in our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, in the City of Parksville.

**Mayor Ed Mayne**  
City of Parksville

April 2022