

# City of Kitchener VHub

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## Welcome to VHub

Welcome to the premiere issue of Volunteer Hub or VHub for short . We hope you find this newsletter helpful. We want to keep you informed about upcoming events and how you can get involved.

We have lots of events that offer a wide range of experiences ~ everything from assisting with children's activities to providing to information and answering questions to being an animal caretaker at a live nativity scene. There is something for everyone!

We know that this time of year is busy with the family, friends, parties and just keeping up with day to day life so we truly appreciate you taking the time to consider volunteering with us.

When you volunteer; you become a major part of the success of each event because it is your enthusiasm, professionalism, friendly and positive attitude that the public remembers and has them coming back year after year!

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## How to apply!

Inside this newsletter is a list and description of upcoming events and volunteer opportunities. If you find an opportunity you are interested in:

1. Go to [www.kitchener.ca/volunteer](http://www.kitchener.ca/volunteer)
2. Create a volunteer profile and answer a few questions about you
3. We will contact you; so we can set up an interview



## Market Events

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

### November Event

Sat. Nov 11

9:30—12:30 p.m.

### Help Decorate the Market

Wed. Nov 15

3:30 p.m.—6 p.m.

### Cookie Decorating

Sat Dec 9

8:45—12 p.m.

### Breakfast with Santa

Sat Dec 16th

8:45—12 p.m.

**Location:** Kitchener Market (300 King St E)

### What is will I doing?:

- Work as part of team to help create a fun and safe experience for all
- Complete tasks for assigned activity
- Welcome guests with a friendly smile and greeting
- Assist with cleanup of the activities/ supplies at the end of the event

*“I really enjoy them all to be honest and there are great people I volunteer with, some of them are the same and some of them different”*

## Festival of Neighbourhood Celebration

### Kid zone Volunteers

#### About volunteering at this event

**When:** Sun Nov 19 12—3:30 p.m.

\*stay for pizza at 4 p.m. if you would like

**Location:** Kitchener City Hall (200 King St W) Rotunda

#### What is will I doing?:

- Work as part of team to help create a fun and safe experience for all
- Complete tasks for assigned activity
- Assist with cleanup of the activities/ supplies at the end of the event

### Refreshment Volunteers

#### About volunteering at this event

**When:** Sun Nov 19 11:30—3:30 p.m.

\*stay for pizza at 4 p.m. if you would like

**Location:** Kitchener City Hall (200 King St W) Rotunda

#### What is will I doing?:

- Assist with set up of food trays and beverage stations
- Restock trays and paper supplies as required
- Monitor tables and other surfaces and clean as required
- Assist with clean up at the end of event

## Christmas Fantasy



Clock Tower at Victoria—kick off to Christmas Fantasy

Help us celebrate another year of twinkling lights

### About volunteering at this event

**When:** Sat. Dec 2 from 5— 8:30 p.m.

**Location:** Victoria Park

### What is will I doing?:

- Work as part of team to help create a fun and safe experience for all
- Complete tasks for assigned activity
- Welcome guests with a friendly smile and greeting
- Assist with cleanup of the activities/supplies at the end of the event
- This event is outdoors

## Chriskindl Market

This 4 day event helps to kick off the holiday season!

### About volunteering at this event:

**When:** Thurs Dec. 7—Sun Dec 10 specific volunteers shifts on the attachment

### Volunteer opportunity

**Location:** Kitchener City Hall (200 King St W) Rotunda

### Types of opportunities available:

- **Ambassador** ~ help with the customer experience by providing information, answering questions and help with pedestrian traffic flow
- **Green Room** ~ welcome entertainers and volunteers
- **Nativity Animal Caretakers** ~ look after the miniature donkeys and horses. Additional screening may be required. This role is outdoors



Volunteers in action as part of the live Nativity as Animal Care Takers at Christkindl Market

## New Year's Eve Celebration

Ring in 2018 by helping your community!

### About volunteering at this event

**When:** Sun Dec 31— 5—8:30 p.m.

**Location:** Kitchener City Hall (200 King St W) Rotunda

### What is will I doing?:

- Work as part of team to help create a fun and safe experience for all
- Complete tasks for assigned activity
- Welcome guests with a friendly smile and greeting
- Assist with cleanup of the activities/supplies at the end of the event

*"I have enjoyed this more than I ever realized I would"*

## New Year's Levee

The Mayor and Council have invited the entire city to a fun afternoon at the Carnival!

### About volunteering at this event

**When:** Sun Jan 7 2018 12:15 - 4 p.m..

**Location:** Kitchener City Hall (200 King St W) Rotunda and Zehr Square (outside)

### Types of volunteer opportunities available

- **Hot chocolate, candy cotton and popcorn** ~ make and hand out items to the public
- **Vintage carnival games assistant**—encourage children to participant and provide instruction on how to play a carnival games
- **Kiddie Striker and Hose Hockey** ~ encourage children to participant and provide instruction on how to play specific games



## Other Opportunities in your neighbourhoods

### Settler's Grove Community Association ~ Christmas Party

#### About volunteering at this event

**When:** Thurs Dec 7 from 5—10 p.m.

**Location:** Deer Ridge Golf Course—200 Deer Ridge Dr. Kitchener

#### Types of volunteer opportunities

- Greet people as they come in and check their names off a list
- Coat check
- Ambassador—welcome people and answer questions



## Keep in Touch!

Please let us know about your volunteer experience or if there is anything we can do to help improve your volunteer experience. If you wish to be removed from our email list please let us know.

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