



Volunteers Needed for Homelessness Action Week “Connect Day” 2016

Date: Thursday, October 13

Time: Various volunteer shifts available

Location: John Braithwaite Comm. Centre,
Lower Lonsdale (145 1st St. West)

Volunteer at an event that helps homeless and at-risk access critical healthcare and many other services.

Homelessness Action Week, running from October 10 – 15, is an annual event coordinated regionally by community organizations aims to find solutions to homelessness by highlighting services and programs, connecting the homeless to resources and services, supporting community-led problem-solving, and raising awareness of the issues around homelessness with the public.

On the North Shore, the North Shore Homelessness Task Force (www.northshorehomelessness.org) will be organizing a number of events including ‘Connect Day’. We are looking for volunteers who are kind, positive, comfortable working with, and empathic towards the people who attend the events.

About Connect Day & Volunteers Duties:

This event is a positive, feel-good day where people can easily access a variety of health services and more – all on one day, under one roof. Last year over 145 people attended this event to access health clinics, foot care, flu vaccines, hearing testing, clothing vouchers, hygiene kits, hair cuts, housing outreach, employment programs, income tax help, counselling/mental health programs, drug/alcohol programs, smoking Cessation, lung testing, meals, and more. Volunteers typically work 2 to 3 hour shifts (a variety of times are available starting at 7am to 3pm). Volunteer duties include:

- Set-up/tear down – moving and organizing tables, chairs, hanging up signage, clean-up
- Volunteers welcoming and directing people
- Meal area prep. and food/coffee service
- Help in the haircut area, assistance with hearing van, etc.

A one-hour volunteer orientation and tour of the facility will be held the night before at John Braithwaite on **October 12th at 6:00pm.**

Interested in Volunteering?

Please contact Lynne Henshaw, at lhenshaw@telus.net or 778-995-7701 to volunteer, and for more information. Volunteer hours/letter provided upon request.