

“Community Contribution / Volunteering”

Tasks:

1. Complete this activity sheet and include it in your course binder.
2. Complete the individual requirements of the community contribution project (30 hours of volunteer time) and maintain an activity record.

Resources: Textbook (pp. 254 – 257)
<http://www.envision.ca/> (The Community Services Council in Newfoundland)
<http://www.volunteer.ca/> (A national site on volunteering)
Extra materials and info provided during class time.

PART 1: (Use textbook and work in groups of 2 - 3 to complete this section)

1. List different words or phrases to describe the following terms:

a. Social Responsibility:

b. Volunteer:

c. Community Contribution:

2. The phrase “*every little bit counts*” is a common slogan. How do you think the phrase is related to the concepts of volunteering and community contribution?

3. The textbook provides **10** specific facts related to the volunteer sector in Newfoundland. List what **YOU** believe to be the “**top 5**” most interesting / amazing facts.

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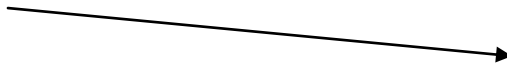
4. Think about ways **YOU** have contributed to your community. Describe some of these experiences. What else could you do to make a difference?

PART 2: (Individually – ALL must have a completed sheet in binder)

Go to <http://www.envision.ca/>. This is the web for the Community Services Council of Newfoundland and Labrador. **Answer ALL of the following questions:**

STEP 1:

Follow the EnVision **Youth/Career Development** link on the left side of screen:



STEP 2:

Select the link **“For Young People”**



STEP 3:

Use this page of the Community Services Council NF web to complete the following general questions related to volunteering.



Answer ALL of the following questions: (<http://www.envision.ca/>)

1. Why volunteer? Describe at least **5** specific benefits to **YOU**.

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2. Where to volunteer? List **5** general places **YOU** might consider.

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3. What volunteers do? List **5** general things **YOU** might enjoy.

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4. What should you know about volunteer rights and responsibilities? The web lists over 30 pieces of advice for volunteers. What do you feel are the **MOST** important points in this list?

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5. Follow the “Volunteer Opportunities” link (bottom left hand side) to search for specific opportunities in St. John’s, and Mount Pearl areas. What were your results? Any realistic opportunities for **YOU**?

6. Find the “Community Heroes” section from the **Profile of the Volunteer Sector** on the web address <http://envision.ca/templates/profile.asp?ID=54>. Review this section. Select **ONE** Hero and summarize their volunteer activity.

PART 3: (Group brainstorm and answer sharing activity)

- **In-class group activity. Groups of 2-3. Discuss these questions and agree upon answers. Write answers on paper provided.**

1. What are the main benefits of volunteering for youth?

2. What are the main problems of volunteering for youth in this area? What are possible solutions to each problem?

3. Create a list of volunteer and local service groups in this area (St. John’s, and Mount Pearl). Can your group list a dozen?

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