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Leadership Institute—March 6& 7

Leaders of organizations within Alberta's nonprofit/voluntary sector are encouraged to attend this two-day course focusing on leadership skills, best practices and more. Please note that you do not have had to taken the previous Leadership Institutes to register for this session. Registration is being accepted via email only at leadershipinstitute@vmgedmonton.ca. Visit the Volunteer Management Group website for more information.

Community Spirit Fund

A new donor-driven grant program was launched last week to help increase private charitable donations. Aptly named the Donation Grant Program, nonprofit organizations in Alberta will have the opportunity to apply for a maximum grant of \$25, 000 which can be used for operations, projects, programming and small capital projects. Program guidelines will be available by April 1. To read the media release, click [here](#).

2008 Board Leadership Conference Schedule and Registration Form

Session topics and an online registration form for the March 29, 2008 Board Leadership conference is now available on [ECVO's website](#).

Showcase and Conference of Community-Engaged Research

The first annual Showcase and Conference of Community-Engaged Research, hosted by the Faculty of Extension, is scheduled for Friday, March 14, 2008. The conference, featuring keynote speaker Dr. Scott McLean, will highlight exemplary, community-engaged research being done within the Faculty and across the University of Alberta campus. Visit our [Workshops and Training](#) page to view details.

Look for Weekly Engage Page

Good news for the nonprofit/voluntary sector! The Edmonton Journal's Engage page will be up and running every Sunday until November 2008. Visit the Engage page now to find out how you can post your volunteer position listings or

National Volunteer Week Material

It's that time of year again! National Volunteer Week is fast approaching, so make sure you visit Volunteer Canada's website to see what they have in store for this event.

The 2008 Donner Awards

Nonprofit social service agencies have the opportunity to win a share of \$70,000. The award recognizes the outstanding work of nonprofits that provide social services. Nonprofits have until May 15, 2008 to apply online for a chance to win a \$1000 draw. To view guidelines and prize details, visit www.donnerawards.org.