

Volunteer Edmonton News Update – January 11, 2010

New Volunteer Edmonton Staff Member

Volunteer Edmonton has a new full-time staff member on the team. Please join me in welcoming Lisa Wolanski as our new Volunteer Edmonton Coordinator! You can reach her at voled@volunteeredmonton.com.

Success in Hard Times: Models for Collaboration and Innovation

The newest session in the Breakfast Series is scheduled for January 26—and we're still accepting registrations! The session will feature three guest panelists who will discuss how their model was developed, the outcomes and the critical factors for success. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions and discover the unique ways organizations can thrive and survive in hard times. Secure your spot now and register online at [Eventbrite](#).

Disney Promotion On Now

Volunteer Canada, govolunteer.ca and Disney Parks want to inspire people to volunteer through their "Give a Day. Get a Disney Day" campaign. Individuals who volunteer with a participating organization will receive a one-day pass to any Disney Park. Be part of this unique campaign and register your organization now! It's free-of-charge and it's a great opportunity to promote your organization's volunteer postings to the 50,000 Canadians anticipated to register for the program in the next few months. Visit www.govolunteer.ca to sign up or to browse current volunteer opportunities in Edmonton.

Info Session: Executive Leadership in the Non-profit Sector Program

This Grant MacEwan University program is designed to provide individuals with skills unique to the non-profit sector, teaching leadership competencies as defined by the National Learning Initiative for the Voluntary Sector. Learn more about this program and if it's right for you by attending their info session on January 28. Contact Kirsten Milner, Program Advisor, at (780) 497-5268 or executiveleadership@macewan.ca to register.

Tapping into Baby Boomers as Volunteers

New research conducted by the Kerby Centre of Excellence in Calgary explores how volunteerism is evolving and the critical role baby boomers will play in the coming years. The study offers some insight into why baby boomers choose to volunteer, the challenges they face and their perceptions of volunteering, and includes ideas on how to better engage and involve this distinct group. Visit the [Kerby Centre website](#) to read the study.