

**PEACE ARCH HOSPITAL  
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES LIST**

Below are examples of volunteer opportunities at Peace Arch Hospital. **Not** all of these opportunities have ongoing openings. **Please call 604-535-4500 local 757504 for current Information Session and recruitment dates.**

Most programs are **once a week for minimum commitment of 6 months**, unless otherwise indicated. **There are a limited number of evening and weekend placements.** Some program areas require specialized skills, training, or may have waitlists.

**\*\*Note:** Applications for high school students, the Junior Auxiliary Program are a separate package and only available twice a year. Please call 604-535-4500 local 757504 for recruitment dates.

**\*\*Note:** Volunteers are **not** recruited for areas such as food & nutrition services, laundry, housekeeping, laboratory, radiology, pharmacy or paramedics.

Program Area	Volunteer Position	Position Description	Days/Times
<b>Residential Care</b>		<b>All volunteer roles within Residential Care focus on social interaction and meaningful visits with Residents of the Weatherby and Dr. Al Hogg Pavilions. Volunteers should be self motivated, able to work independently and as part of a team, be flexible, able to maintain confidentiality and enjoy working with seniors.</b>	
	Recreation Therapy Program Support Volunteer	<b>Duties:</b> Assist residents with a variety of leisure based, life skills activities under the direction of the Therapeutic Recreation staff. <b>Requirements:</b> Ability to push wheelchairs	Monday- Saturday Various times
	Adapted Aquatics	<b>Duties:</b> Assist residents to and from on site pool area, socialize and support residents in the water during pool session. <b>Requirements:</b> Comfortable in water in a co-ed environment, complete pool orientation, ability to be in water 35-40o C for 45 minutes, ability to push wheelchairs	Tues. Wed. Thurs. mornings Tues. Thurs. afternoons
	Exercise & Walks	<b>Duties:</b> Assist Rehabilitation staff with an exercise class and resident walking program. <b>Requirements:</b> Ability to push wheelchairs and assist in modelling various exercises for resident participants.	Monday – Friday 10:00 am – 12 noon

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	Pets & Friends	<p><b>Duties</b> Appropriately screened and trained animals and handlers visit and socialize with residents.</p> <p><b>Requirements:</b> All dogs must be evaluated and complete a Pet Visitation training through:</p> <p><b>Pets &amp; Friends</b> <a href="http://www.petsandfriends.org">http:// www.petsandfriends.org</a> or</p> <p><b>St John Ambulance</b> <a href="http://www.sta.ca">http://www.sta.ca</a></p> <p>Dogs must have up to date vaccinations, be clean and well groomed, and be on a leash at all times.</p>	Monday – Sunday 10:00 am – 7:00 pm
	Junior Auxiliary	<p><b>Duties:</b> Assist residents with leisure activities under the direction of Therapeutic Recreation or Unit staff. Recruitment occurs twice a year.</p> <p><b>Requirements:</b> High school students aged 16 and older, ability to push wheelchairs</p>	Monday – Sunday 4:00- 6:00 pm * Various times during summer months
<b>Acute Care</b>		<p><b>All volunteer roles in Acute Care focus on providing excellent customer service to visitors, patients, residents and staff. Volunteers should be self motivated, able to work independently and as part of a team, be flexible, able to maintain confidentiality and enjoy working with people.</b></p>	
	Acute Floors – 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup>	<p><b>Duties:</b> Provide opportunity for socialization to patients by assisting staff with activities and events.</p> <p><b>Requirements:</b> Ability to work in an environment with seniors who have a variety of physical and cognitive abilities.</p>	Monday – Saturday Various times
	Emergency Ambassador	<p><b>Duties:</b> Compliment the role of staff by enhancing communications, providing information and support to patients/visitors, act as liaison between staff and patients/visitors, assist with general inquires and way finding</p> <p><b>Requirements:</b> mature individuals with exceptional interpersonal skills, self-motivated, ability to work independently and as part of a team, work in a fast pace and sometime stressful environment, ability to exercise sound judgement in stressful situations</p>	Monday –Sunday 9:00 am -9:00 pm
	Information WayFinders	<p><b>Duties:</b> Volunteers in main lobby and Berkeley Pavilion, provide visitors, patients, clients and staff with a friendly greeting, directions, individual attention and escort as needed.</p> <p><b>Requirements:</b> Motivated individuals with exceptional customer service skills, ability to be on your feet for long periods of time, ability to exercise sound judgement in stressful situations.</p>	Monday – Friday 7:30 am – 3:00 pm
	Health Information Centre	<p><b>Duties:</b> Provide health related pamphlets and other written material to visitors, patients and members of the health care team.</p> <p><b>Requirements:</b> Self motivated, ability to work independently, office orientated,</p>	Monday – Friday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

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	Hospice Volunteers	<b>Duties:</b> Specially screened and trained members of the White Rock Hospice Society provide support to palliative care patients and families <b>Requirements:</b> Completed Hospice Training. White Rock Hospice Society 604-531-7484	Monday- Sunday Various times
	LifeLine	<b>Duties:</b> Assist with assessment, installation, visiting and phone calls to subscribers to this emergency rezones service. <b>Requirements:</b> Office orientated, ability to work on your own, some medical knowledge would be helpful but not necessary.	Monday – Sunday Various times
	Medical/Surgical Day Care	<b>Duties:</b> Provide information and assistance to patients and visitors to the Medical/Surgical Day Care department. <b>Requirements:</b> mature individuals with exceptional interpersonal skills, self-motivated, ability to work independently and as part of a team, work in a fast pace and sometime stressful environment, ability to exercise sound judgement in stressful situations	Monday – Friday 9:00 am - 3:30 pm
	Physiotherapy Host	<b>Duties:</b> Accompany patients to and from physiotherapy gym and assist Rehabilitation staff with exercise class. <b>Requirements:</b> Ability to walk and push patients in wheelchairs.	Monday –Friday 9:15 am – 10:30 am
	Spiritual Care Program	<b>Duties:</b> Support the spiritual needs of residents and patients through various programs. <b>Requirements:</b> For more information please call 604-535-4500 local 757504	Monday – Sunday Various times
	Task Force	<b>Duties:</b> Provide assistance with projects for a variety of hospital departments. Often one-time projects. <b>Requirements:</b> Organizational skills and ability to work independently.	As requested Various times
<b>Community Programs</b>			
	Elder Health	<b>Duties:</b> Provide information and assistance to clients and visitors to the department. <b>Requirements:</b> Organizational skills and ability to work independently.	As requested Various times
	Public Health	<b>Duties:</b> Provide information and assistance to clients and visitors to the department. <b>Requirements:</b> Criminal Record Check is required.	As requested Various times
	Vince Youth Clinic	<b>Duties:</b> Provide information and assistance to clients of clinic.	Mondays & 4 <sup>th</sup>

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		<b>Requirements:</b> Criminal Record Check is required.	Wednesdays 3:30 -6:30 pm
<b>Auxiliary Programs</b>		<b>For over 60 years, Auxiliary members have volunteered time and effort to help their community hospital, raising funds for equipment and bringing smiles to patients and residents.</b>	
	Gift Shop	<b>Duties:</b> Assist with daily operations, including opening and closing of shop, sales and restocking merchandise. <b>Requirements:</b> Active Auxiliary member, sales and cash experience, exceptional customer service skills	Monday – Sunday 10:00 am -7:30 pm
	Gift Cart	<b>Duties:</b> Provide patients, residents and family members the opportunity to purchase items from a mobile cart. <b>Requirements:</b> Active Auxiliary member sales and cash experience, exceptional customer service skills	Tuesdays 8:45 am- 11:30 am
	Superfluity Shop	<b>Duties:</b> Assist with daily operations of off site thrift shop including sorting, pricing and sales. <b>Requirements:</b> Active Auxiliary member, physically able to carry out duties as assigned.	Monday- Saturday 9:00 am – 3:00 pm