

Volunteer Opportunity

Between Friends creates opportunities for people with disabilities to connect, grow, and belong through social and recreational activities. As a charitable organization, we rely on the efforts of our volunteers to help provide safe and inclusive programming for our participants.

Between Friends Camp Bonaventure Volunteer

Between Friends is currently looking for volunteers for Between Friends Camp Bonaventure. As a Camp Bonaventure Volunteer, you will be asked to help with supervision, support, creating friendships, and assisting our participants in a variety of camp activities such as swimming, sailing, canoeing, and day trips. Volunteers are required to actively participate in all camp activities to be positive role models.

Between Friends Camp Bonaventure Volunteer	
Purpose	Implement the mission of the Between Friends to provide quality social and recreation programs in an accepting environment, through leadership and support to individuals with disabilities.
Duties & Responsibilities	<p>Duties:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adhere the policies and procedures of Between Friends • Maintain confidentiality of participants' personal information • Make a concentrated effort to attend any and all relevant workshops or training opportunities <p>Responsibilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assist in appropriate implementation of activities • Assist in preparing and maintaining program equipment and supplies • Assist participants with camp activities and daily living needs as necessary • Familiarize self with the participants and their needs • Communicate with participants in an age-appropriate manner • Assist with managing discipline and behavioral concerns within the policies set by the agency • Must bring swimming attire every day and be willing to participate in swim activities, unless otherwise discussed with Volunteer Coordinator or Volunteer Leader • Must sign oneself in and out at the beginning and end of day • Follow the direction of, and support the Team Leader and Group Leaders • Follow the direction of, and ensure any concerns are brought to the Volunteer Leader's attention
Time Requirements <i>Camp Bonaventure runs for eight weeks from July 2 – August 23, 2019</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must commit to a minimum of 5 days at camp • Must stay for the full duration of programs 8:30 am - 4:30 pm • Must remain with the group until all participants have been picked up and/or dismissed by the Team Leader



Skills & Qualifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Volunteers must be 12 years or older to apply• Applicants between the ages of 12-15 will be considered a Junior Volunteer and will only be able to work with participants their age or younger• Must have an interest in volunteering• Assist with providing support to participants requiring wheel chair transfers, lifts and transfers and physical support, as needed• Assist with managing discipline and behavioral concerns within the policies set by the agency
Orientation & Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Must attend mandatory volunteer training on Friday, June 28, 2019• Must attend volunteer training <u>even if you are a returning Camp Bonaventure volunteer</u>• Times of training will be sent out in an email closer to the training date
Supervision/Staff Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• While volunteering at camp, volunteer will be directly supervised by the Volunteer Leader, Team Leader, and Group Leaders• Any major concerns or questions must be directed to the Volunteer Leader and/or Volunteer Coordinator• Team Leader will complete a minimum of one evaluation during volunteer's time at Camp Bonaventure
Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Volunteer shirt provided• Volunteer Recognition throughout the summer• Volunteer Hours letter given to volunteer at the end of volunteering by the Volunteer Leader• After successful completion of volunteering at Camp Bonaventure, a Reference Letter is available upon request. If interested, please contact the Volunteer Coordinator (Emily Furber)• Invitation to the End of Summer BBQ held in August, details will be sent out in an email• Invitation to the AGM (Annual General Meeting) and Awards Ceremony held in May 2020
Application	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Volunteers ages 12-17: must submit a minimum of 2 references from non-family members• Volunteers ages 18+: must pass a Screening Process including a Vulnerable Sector Search completed by the City of Calgary Police, an Intervention Record Check completed by Alberta Human Services• Volunteers will need to fill out our online application form (betweenfriends.campbrainstaff.com)• All volunteers must have an interview conducted by the Volunteer Coordinator or designate

If you are interested in becoming a Volunteer with Between Friends, or have any questions, please contact our Camp Volunteer Leader, at campvolleader@betweenfriends.ca