

‘Spark’ Some Ideas For Your Involvement...

- We encourage you to pick one or two projects that you can do annually from our volunteer options.
- Take this opportunity to determine what sort of time commitment you’re able to make, then check out the choices below.
- Choose from the volunteer options and email the corresponding staff person listed to discuss the time commitment involved, and any necessary resource materials and guidance.
- Volunteers are responsible to maintain communication with the staff member for their specific tasks, reporting on their needs and progress through regular “email updates”.

Note: Some of these roles will have prescribed timelines and some are open-ended.

In response to the question, “What can I do to help as a Make-A-Wish® volunteer?”, here are some answers!

SPECIAL EVENTS SUPPORT

Contact Erin: erin.latam@makeawish.ca

- Internal Event Sponsorship Committees.
 - ◊ Go Blue Go Bald
 - ◊ Blue Night Reception
 - ◊ Golf Classic
- Recruit participants for Chapter events.
- Event Photography—as needed.
- Chapter Events Planning Committee—as needed, ie; donor/volunteer recognition event, 25th anniversary celebrations.
- Event Decorating Committee —as needed.
 - Conduct your own fundraiser at your workplace or with a group you are connected with. Use the tools we have to help you—“Wishes At Work” or “how to” conduct your own mini “satellite” Chapter event such as Go Blue Go Bald.
- Conduct a gift drive at your workplace, school or group to collect gifts for wish children.
 - Do you know of an existing local event which Make-A-Wish® can apply for their support? Help us network with community groups and businesses in your area. Come up with a prospect list to approach.
- Contact a school you are connected with for participation in our Kids for Wish Kids fundraising program.

FUNDRAISING SUPPORT

Contact Lori:

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- Resource Advisory Committee—bring an audience to us! Connect us with contacts to approach for funding support: major gifts, planned giving, businesses, organizations. Bring forward your ideas, and contacts that you have—come up with prospect lists to approach.
- Research sources for funding proposals—Foundations, Grants, Scholarship programs.

OFFICE SUPPORT

Contact Roberta:
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- Administrative Assistance.
- Preparation of materials for Chapter and donor events—as needed.
- Prepare packages needed for wish grantor visits with wish children.
- Wish file maintenance, file closures.
- Volunteer Dept. admin. support—Using Access database, Publisher, etc.
 - Volunteer Dept. support—Assist in conducting orientation sessions for new Make-A-Wish® volunteers.
- Scrap booking—Designing wish “thank you” album.

WISH GRANTING DEPT. SUPPORT

Contact Carissa:
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- **Services and products:**
 1. Develop contact lists for in-kind donations and enhancements for children’s wishes.
 2. Seek in-kind donations and enhancements for children’s wishes.
- Assist in providing Wish Grantor training for new Wish Grantor volunteers. (experienced Wish Grantors are required)

COMMUNICATIONS & RESOURCE POOL

Contact Stephanie:

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- **Service Clubs/Groups:**
 1. Research and compile contact lists for Service Clubs and Groups in your area.
 2. Contact Service Clubs and Groups for interest in presentations—schedule your speaking engagement.
- Make arrangements to Staff a Make-A-Wish® info table at an event in your community.
 - Awareness Building—distribute our newsletters and brochures to locations and at events in your community.
- Media Promotions— if you have media contacts—ask them to donate radio time/newspaper space for Make-A-Wish psa’s and events.
- Writing and editing of children’s wish stories.
- Graphics Design— Create Chapter and event promotional print materials as needed—Using Adobe InDesign, Publisher, Illustrator, Photoshop, etc.
- Videographers—create promotional videos for Chapter and events as needed.
- Create a project for us! Pitch us with your plan!