



# VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

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THE  
**BETHANY**  
GROUP

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The Bethany Group, a non-profit charitable organization, is a leader in Canada for creating a model of partnership working for the social good. It's presence in communities focuses on taking care of individuals and families through health and housing services.

Established in 1922, The Bethany Group is driven by the people who work and volunteer for the organization to make the lives of the people they serve better. It also continues to honour its faith-based roots and provide a holistic approach to caring for its clients.

From continuing care, supportive living and independent living for seniors to a variety of housing programs including affordable family housing, the organization remains committed to giving its residents and clients an enhanced quality of life.

Our **mission** is providing person-centered service that builds a caring community, connects people and makes a positive difference in each person's life through the provision of Health, Housing and Supportive Living services.

As a faith-based organization growing from the foundation of our 100-year history of sharing God's love, we seek to live the following **values**:

- keeping people at the centre of our thinking;
- fostering safe and welcoming communities; and
- a sustainable approach to providing service.

# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Bethany Group manages facilities and services in over 30 communities in central Alberta. From continuing care and supportive living for seniors to a variety of housing programs including affordable family housing, the organization remains committed to its residents and clients and providing an enhanced quality of life while maintaining its faith-based roots.

The organization has volunteer opportunities in several facilities, including:

- Autumn Glen Lodge (Innisfail)
- Louise Jensen Care Centre (Camrose)
- Bashaw Meadows (Bashaw)
- Memory Lane (Camrose)
- Bethany Meadows (Camrose)
- Peace Hills Lodge (Wetaskiwin)
- Big Knife Lodge (Forestburg)
- Rosealta Lodge (Camrose)
- Crossroads Day Program (Camrose & Wetaskiwin)
- Rosehaven Provincial Program (Camrose)
- Eckville Manor House (Eckville)
- Viewpoint (Camrose)
- Faith House (Camrose)
- West Pine Lodge (Winfield)
- Lacombe Senior Citizens Lodge (Lacombe)
- Wetaskiwin Meadows (Wetaskiwin)

## EXAMPLES OF OPPORTUNITIES

There are a variety of activities and opportunities available.

A few examples are:

- Membership in The Friends of Rosehaven Auxiliary
- Pet Therapy programs
- Men's Group programs
- Recreation Therapy programs
- Providing entertainment for programs
- Work Experience placements
- Pastoral & Spiritual care programs
- Assistance with Rehabilitation services
- Mealtime Assistance
- One-to-One Visits

These are just a few of the opportunities we have at The Bethany Group. Those we are currently recruiting for can be found on our website at [www.thebethanygroup.ca](http://www.thebethanygroup.ca).

## WHY VOLUNTEER?

There are many reasons to volunteer:

- Gain new experiences.
- Learn new skills.
- Enhance the quality of life of others.
- Gain personal satisfaction from helping others.
- Explore possible career options.
- Share your skills and expertise.
- Improve your resumé.

***And above all, have fun!***

## PET THERAPY

The Bethany Group welcomes Pet Therapy visitations to meet physical, intellectual, emotional, spiritual and social needs of clients and residents.

- Pet visitors must be registered volunteers with The Bethany Group.
- All pets are required to have current vaccinations, including Rabies vaccination. Handlers/Owners are responsible to inform and provide documents of updated immunizations.
- Pets must be on a leash at all times.
- Pets are not allowed in areas where food is being served.

## REQUIREMENTS OF VOLUNTEERING

To become a registered volunteer with The Bethany Group, you will need to:

- complete a Volunteer Application Form;
- obtain a Police Information Check consistent with the Protection for Persons in Care Act (PPICA);
- attend an interview and orientation with the Manager/Recreation Therapist/Delegate at which time the other information will be reviewed;
- review your Immunization Record with the Manager/Recreation Therapist/Delegate; and,
- complete an Oath of Confidentiality consistent with the Freedom of Information Act (FOIP).

**Volunteer Groups (e.g., Friends of Rosehaven, music groups, churches, school groups) that do not have direct contact with clients are an exception to the above requirements.**