

Association canadienne pour la santé mentale Kootenays La santé mentale pour tous



Snow Angel Volunteer Job Description

Assignment:

Shoveling snow for elderly and/or physically disabled members of our community, who are unable to do it

Purpose of this Assignment:

To give people who are unable to shovel themselves a hand, ensuring that the community's sidewalks and walkways are safe for all.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Shovel for an assigned resident within 24 hours of a significant snow event¹.
- Clear the windrow², sidewalk, and residential access paths as outlined by the Project Supervisor. Leave the
 provided completion note in the resident's mailbox to notify the resident that a Snow Angel has shoveled
 designated areas in their yard.
- The amount of time dedicated by a volunteer will be determined by the weather, and the number of residences to which the volunteer has committed.
- It is anticipated that volunteers will commit to the Project for the duration of the snowfall season.
- If for any reason a volunteer will be absent from shoveling, notification is required in order to advise the home owner and/or arrange for a substitute.

Policies:

- All volunteers over the age of 14 must be pre-screened, including an RCMP criminal record check.
- Volunteers under the age of 14 must submit an application, signed by a parent or legal guardian and be accompanied on the job by an adult who meets the pre-screening criteria.
- Volunteers are not to initiate contact with the resident. The resident will initiate communication at whatever level is comfortable for them.
- Volunteers are not to enter the resident's home under any circumstances.
- All volunteers are required to wear a Snow Angel badge visibly on their person while shoveling for others. The badge will be provided by Volunteer Kootenays.

Accountability:

- The Snow Angels project is managed by Volunteer Kootenays, a program of Canadian Mental Health Association for the Kootenays, in cooperation with the City of Cranbrook.
- Volunteers report to the Project Supervisor (Volunteer Kootenays Administrator).
- Volunteers shall participate positively and productively as a member of the Project Volunteer Team.
- Volunteers shall adhere to the philosophy, duties/responsibilities and policies of the Project.
- Volunteers shall represent the Snow Angels Project and the Association positively, professionally, and respectfully in the community.

| Agreement/Approval: | |
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| Volunteer's Name (print clearly) | Signature: |
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| Supervisor's Signature | Date Signed: |

¹⁻ A significant snow event is defined by the City of Cranbrook to be an accumulation of 4cm (1.5 inches) of snow.

² - The purpose of the Snow Angels Project is to clear snow left at the end of the driveway after streets are plowed, as well as sidewalks and home access pathways.

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