

This annual special section honours the value of volunteers. Join this community-wide thank you and let volunteers know their efforts are appreciated.









National Volunteer Week 2 21







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The National Volunteer Week theme for 2021, "The value of one, the nower of many" reflects on the abundant acts of kindness by millions of individuals and the positive results when we work together towards a common purpose.

According to Volunteer Canada, during the past year, people have been supporting family, friends, neighbours, and strangers, people standing up to systemic racism, and people sharing insights on how to create a more just and equitable

The organizers of National Volunteer Week, April 18 to 24, recognize the value



has shown another, and the power of people. organizations, and sectors working together. "The power of people working together

can bring about monumental changes. We have seen neonle work together on legislative changes related to

impaired driving, same sex marriage, and assisted dving," states the organizing body.

The theme is a nod to Volunteer Canada's past, a reflection of its present. and a wink to the future. "The value of one, the power of many" was the theme for National Volunteer Week in 2001. The International Year of Volunteers It reflects the individual and collective efforts, being seen during the pandemic, and it sets the tone for re-imagining the next 20 years as the value of one act and the



power of many enables us to thrive together, according to Volunteer Canada's promotion of the week. As part of the celebra-

tion of volunteers, organizers are inviting submissions related to the theme. Here are some examples.... "The value of one person call-

ing another to check in. The power of many people working to prevent social iso-

lation."

"The value of one person volunteering at a food bank The power of many people volunteering on a

Food Security Advisory Committee." "The value of one person standing up to transphobia.

The power of many people calling for the protection of gender diversity." Send your theme-related couplet to info@volunteer.ca.

Making Our World a Stronger Place

Our nation's volunteers make a difference by donating their time, energy and skills to helping other people, animals and our environment. Their commitment and caring are the heart of our communities, and we salute their year-round efforts with great admiration and appreciation for all that they do.



Thanks, volunteers!











