



## Community/ Volunteer Involvement



The volunteer program of ABC Head Start is based on the premise that a successful program includes meaningful community involvement! Community members, acting as volunteers, are an integral part of service provision. The Board of Directors, management and staff also demonstrate and support this concept.

On a monthly basis we average 60+ volunteers, with the peak number being over 80. Throughout the year a total of 100 volunteers donate significant time to ABC Head Start. Classroom volunteers donate a total of over 4,000 hours per year. Non-classroom volunteers donate approximately 2,000 hours for a total of over 6,000 logged volunteer hours. This translates into 4 full time positions. At a rate of \$10 per hour, the monetary value of these volunteers exceeds \$60,000.

In addition, there are many hidden hours donated to the agency by participants in various events, the Christmas Hamper project and Literacy Backpack Day. Staff and Board members of ABC Head Start also contribute countless hours of unrecorded volunteer time. Volunteers represent various segments of society, education, age and culture and are motivated to volunteer for various reasons; including a dedication to supporting education, a desire to give back to the community and to fulfill education requirements. Letters of reference are available!

Opportunities for the 2016-2017 school year include: Classroom participation and supervision, administrative duties, supporting events and community engagement fairs and activities.

For more information on how YOU can be involved, please check out <http://www.govolunteer.ca/directory> for a list of current opportunities or contact:

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