

# CANADIAN CODE OF VOLUNTEER INVOLVEMENT

Policy # A&O (7a)

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#### INTENT

Habitat for Humanity Waterloo Region believes that volunteer involvement is an integral part of our success. We also believe that volunteer involvement strengthens our community, should be mutually beneficial to the volunteer and our needs, and that it is based on relationships.

We recognize that volunteers are a vital human resource and will commit to the appropriate infrastructure to support volunteers.

#### **POLICY**

Habitat for Humanity Waterloo Region has adopted the Canadian Code of Volunteer Involvement and will follow its best practices:

- The Boards of Directors and senior management acknowledge and support the vital role of volunteers in achieving the organization's purpose or mission.
- Policies and procedures are adopted by the organization to provide a framework that defines and supports the involvement of volunteers.
- A qualified person is designated to be responsible for the volunteer program.
- A broad screening process is applied to all volunteer roles and is communicated across the organization.
- Volunteer assignments address the organization's purpose and involve volunteers meaningfully, reflecting their abilities, needs, and backgrounds.
- Volunteer recruitment and selection reaches out to diverse sources of volunteers.
- Volunteers receive orientation to the organization, its policies and procedures, and training for their volunteer assignment.
- Volunteers receive appropriate levels of supervision according to their task and are given regular opportunities to receive and give feedback.

- Volunteers are welcomed and treated as valuable and integral members of the organization's human resources.
- The contributions of volunteers are regularly acknowledged with formal and informal recognition methods.

## **RESPONSIBILITY**

Manager of Volunteer Engagement

### **REFERENCES**

CANADIAN CODE FOR VOLUNTEER INVOLVEMENT

Policy UP (6a) Health and Safety
HabitatWR SHE Manual
Policy A&O (8b) Personnel Policies