

CALL FOR HOST PARTNER APPLICATION Host a volunteer group in your community

Chantiers jeunesse is a non-profit organization created in 1980 to foster the development of committed and engaged youth and the advancement of communities across Canada through volunteer projects carried out by intercultural groups to benefit local communities.

Leadership in Your Own Hands is a new and innovative program for youth, funded by the Government of Canada through Canada Service Corps, that aims to promote civic engagement, intercultural cooperation and leadership skills through diverse volunteering projects with a positive impact on local communities. Chantiers jeunesse is pleased to invite non-profit organizations, municipalities, band councils and Canadian public institutions to submit proposals for local or regional development projects that could benefit from the work, input and motivation of youth volunteers.

The nature of the projects may vary depending on your needs and those of the communities in which you support and work with.

Through its volunteer projects, Chantiers jeunesse aims to foster:

- Civic engagement in youth
- Individual and collective empowerment around socio-environmental issues
- Solidarity, social justice and participatory democracy
- Non-violent communication and intercultural education
- Volunteer work as an act of civic engagement

Next steps:

- 1. Submission of the interest form no later than
- 2. Clarify details of agreement between Chantiers jeunesse and the host partner
- 3. Signing the agreement and contract

For any questions and requests for information, please contact **Abdoulaye Diallo, Intercultural volunteer projects Coordinator** at (514)252-3015 or by email at adiallo@cj.qc.ca.





INTERCULTURAL VOLUNTEER PROJECTS IN CANADA MID TO LONG-TERM VOLUNTEERING





HOST PARTNER GUIDE

ABOUT CHANTIERS JEUNESSE

With some 40 partners across 35 countries, Chantiers jeunesse gives youth ages 15 to 30 the opportunity to participate in various volunteer projects in their home country or around the world.

MISSION

Chantiers jeunesse is a non-profit organization that aims to foster the development of young, active and engaged citizens, support the development of communities and the full potential of individuals by providing learning and training opportunities in collaboration with Canadian and international partners, in a spirit of solidarity and respect for differences.

VISION

Chantiers jeunesse helps create a society that looks outward on the world, welcomes diversity and pluralism, and supports individuals and communities to develop their full potential.

VALUES

- Engagement
- Empowerment
- Accessibility
- Social Justice
- · Openness, diversity and pluralism



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OPPORTUNITIES FOR PARTNERSHIP

DO YOU HAVE:

- An idea for a project that will lead to positive and long-lasting change for the community?
- A project in need of new resources?
- An interest in developing a trust-based mentoring relationship with volunteers who will work alongside you towards the successful completion of your project?

Chantiers jeunesse is looking for host partners who have exciting organizational and community development projects that have garnered support in the field. If you have a project in mind and are a non-profit organization, municipality, band council or Canadian public institution, you can host one or several volunteers between the ages of 15 and 30 through one of our volunteer programs.

The life and work experience of Chantiers jeunesse volunteers may vary, but they all share a strong desire to learn and become engaged citizens in their communities. Each volunteer chooses a project in line with their personal and professional interests. Our volunteers are primed for adventure and ready to volunteer for a cause that is near and dear to them.

Our approach remains flexible in order to adapt to ever-evolving needs during the COVID-19 pandemic. We are ready to plan for different partnership scenarios.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

INTERCULTURAL VOLUNTEER PROJECTS IN CANADA (CCI)



An Intercultural Volunteer Project in Canada is a group volunteer project (number of people to be determined according to public health measures in effect). The group shares an enriching experience while being accompanied by one or more project leaders.

Group projects usually last between 2 and 3 weeks, for 25 to 30 hours per week depending on the type of group being hosted (teens, young adults between the ages of 18 and 30, or families). We are also open to projects that go beyond these limitations and would be happy to discuss other possibilities with you.



MID TO LONG-TERM VOLUNTEERING (MTV)

A mid/long term volunteering project is, above all, a mutually beneficial exchange between a volunteers who dedicates their time, skills and energy for the benefit of the community and the host organization.

Your organization would act as a mentor for the individual volunteer, offering them support throughout the project development, guiding them around a new community, opportunities to develop the volunteers competencies, and provide the space for innovation and creativity.

Over a 1- to 6-month period, for 30 hours per week, you'll make it possible for volunteers to acquire or further develop their professional skills in a context of social engagement.



COMBINING MTV AND CCI

It is also possible to host a hybrid project: an intercultural volunteer project in Canada where an individual volunteer is there to support you before, during and after the project. This person can be responsible for organizing, hosting and guiding the group of volunteers, while lending you a hand with other tasks that fall outside the scope of the group project.



GETTING INVOLVED WITH CHANTIERS JEUNESSE

CHANTIERS JEUNESSE COMMITS TO:

- Supporting host partners in different steps of the project early on to help reach the objectives set by the volunteers and host community
- Working with the host partner to create different possible scenarios depending on the current public health situation, as well as protocols to manage risks associated with COVID-19
- Coordinate the recruitment, selection and training of volunteers
- Providing an allowance to volunteers for food and activities
- Selecting a Chantiers jeunesse member to support the host partner and the volunteers (a staff member from the individual volunteer projects team or an on-site team leader for group projects)
- Collaborating with the host partner to promote the project
- Collaborating with the host partner to create a closing event that follows all public health guidelines in effect
- Offering financial support to the host partner to cover expenses related to hosting and training volunteers
- Providing workplace health and safety insurance for volunteers and conducting background checks as needed
- Supporting and encouraging volunteers in their development and engagement
- Providing volunteers with transportation
- Evaluating and following up with the host partner after the project



























GETTING INVOLVED WITH CHANTIERS JEUNESSE

THE HOST PARNTERS COMMITS TO:

- Collaborating with Chantiers jeunesse to define and plan a clear project outline that sets realistic goals
- Providing an average of \$1,000* per project week to cover some of Chantiers jeunesse's costs relating to project organization and management (for group projects, contributions for medium- to long-term volunteer projects to be confirmed)
- Working with Chantiers jeunesse to create different possible scenarios depending on the current public health situation, as well as protocols to manage risks associated with COVID-19
- Providing housing that includes cooking amenities and sanitation facilities (for group projects, consider finding a space where 15 people can easily create a pleasant and homey environment, e.g., a community room, rectory, church basement, cottage, school, etc.)
- Providing the tools, materials and safety equipment necessary to carry out the project; liability insurance must also be provided

*This amount is based on an average calculated according to the size and finances of the host partner. If this kind of contribution isn't accounted for in your 2022 budget, please reach out to talk more—we don't want it to be an obstacle to our collaboration!





GETTING INVOLVED WITH CHANTIERS JEUNESSE

- Acting as a bridge between youth volunteers and the local population
- Collaborating with Chantiers jeunesse to promote the project
- Assigning clear roles and responsibilities to the people involved in the project:
 - For individual projects, a member of the host organization serves as a mentor to the volunteer for the duration of the project
 - For group projects, a member of the organization must be available for the duration of the project, and help ensure that its objectives are fulfilled
 - Depending on the nature of the project, providing a technical expert for approximately 15 hours per week to explain the tasks to complete as well as the proper way to use the tools and safety equipment needed. (Some fees can be reimbursed by Chantiers jeunesse)







THE STEPS

- Submit your interest form
- Analysis of the proposal and acceptance of the project by Chantiers jeunesse
- Clarify and finalize agreements between the host partner and Chantiers jeunesse
- Draft and sign contract
- Finalize the details of volunteering project and logistical implementations with partners
- Welcome the volunteer
- Regular volunteer follow-up by Chantiers jeunesse
- Project success follow-up call and report

GET IN TOUCH

We're available and happy to answer any questions you may have throughout the process!

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