



# National Volunteer Week

April 23 - 29, 2006

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings to all our members – volunteer centres, provincial voluntary organizations, local affiliates and individuals. As we celebrate volunteers throughout the province during National Volunteer Week, much of the recent spotlight has been on those who served at the Torino Olympic and Paralympic Games. Looking ahead to Vancouver 2010, a lot will be said and written about the importance and value of the thousands of volunteers needed to run the games and the major events leading up to them. They cannot be staged without volunteers.

However, we also recognize and thank the many thousands of less prominent people who work day in and day out, year in and year out to help in so many areas of our communities. They are the hospital aides, the Meals on Wheels deliverers, the medical drivers, the helpers at community meals, the many who assist in their faith communities, the coaches for amateur sports and those who carry out a myriad of other tasks.

We salute all volunteers for their loyalty and dedication and thank them for the contributions of time, talent and caring they provide in sustaining the humanity of our society.

Yours in volunteering,



David Kimpton, R.S.W.,  
President  
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