

Straight from a student volunteer:

A Thank You From a Volunteer

From that very first interview,
There's one thing I've heard through
and through,
Both patients and staff said with a smile,
A very warm and heartfelt 'thank you'
They thanked me for being a volunteer,
They thanked me for just being there,
They thanked me so much;
I didn't know what I'd done,
I was just there to help and to learn
And now I feel guilty as I leave,
For I cannot believe all the gratitude
I have received,
My debt of this appreciation;
I'll never be able to repay,
So there is only one thing I have left to say
I thank you for the experience;
this summer will be with me for years,
And I hope next summer another
opportunity will appear,
But until then, for all that you have done
and all that you continue to do,
I know it's not enough, but please accept
my sincere 'Thank You'.

*Tirath Takkar
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Our Mission

Community Resources provides leadership in the effective and efficient utilization of community resources (adult and student volunteers) who complement and supplement the services provided by salaried staff. We plan for, recruit, orient, train and evaluate volunteer involvement.



Our Vision

Community Resources at Markham Stouffville Hospital is recognized as a leader in the field of volunteer integration. We work collaboratively with all departments and volunteers in an effort to support our strategic priorities.

Student Volunteer Program

Our Student Volunteer Program provides youth and young adults an opportunity to explore career opportunities, develop new skills and abilities, build their self-esteem, and to complete their 40-hour community involvement for academic credits.

FUSION COMMITTEE

Experienced student volunteers will also have the opportunity to learn leadership skills through membership in the "Fusion" Committee. This committee is similar to a student council. Members help organize, advertise and initiate workshops and events, and communicate views on their volunteer experience.



Frequently Asked Questions

What are the requirements to become a student volunteer?

- Students must be 14 years of age or over; or in Grade 9.
- Must be responsible, dependable and punctual.
- Willing to commit to a placement that is one shift per week:
 - From September to June (depending on vacancies)
 - Between May - August (for university students); July and August for high school students
- Successful candidates must attend a two-hour hospital orientation.
- A reference letter will be provided once you have completed a minimum 40 hours service.

Do you have a waiting list?

- Yes. We have limited spaces available in the program. The list is maintained on a first-come, first-served basis.

How do I apply?

- Pick up a student application form in the Community Resources Dept.
- Supply two written references.