

THE BRIDGES SOCIETY

Supporting Those with Mental Health Needs

BRIDGES is a charitable, non-profit society founded in 1996 by a small group of concerned parents and Alberta Mental Health staff to address the lack of support for adults with mental illness. The society has evolved over the years and has offered different kinds of services (such as housing and employment support). We are now a social outreach centre with recreation activities, events and a community meal program.

The BRIDGES Society provides support, community-based programming, information and understanding to everyone looking to connect with community for the support of their mental health and wellness.

It is our mission to provide a safe environment with support services for people with mental health needs. Our vision is to uphold excellence in mental health and wellness for the Hinton community.

VOLUNTEER APPLICATION FORM

This information is collected to determine eligibility for BRIDGES volunteer opportunities. It will be protected in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act. We welcome resumes and other documentation that lets us learn more about you and your personal and professional goals!

Date: _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Postal Code: _____

Telephone: Home _____ Cell _____ Other _____

Email Address: _____

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Current Status: *Employed* ___ *Homemaker* ___ *Unemployed* ___ *Retired* ___ *Student* ___

How did you hear about volunteer opportunities at BRIDGES?

Why do you want to volunteer at BRIDGES? _____

Type of volunteer work you are interested in (check all that apply):

Board Member ___ *Administrative* ___ *Recreation* ___ *Working w/clients* ___ *Custodial* ___

Computers ___ *Cooking/Baking* ___ *Special Events* ___ *Teaching* ___ *Fundraising* ___

Availability: *(please specify)* Mornings _____ Afternoons _____

Evenings _____ Weekends _____

PREVIOUS VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE:

WORK HISTORY:

INTERESTS/HOBBIES/ACTIVITIES:

What skills do you have that you would like to use in volunteering? What skills would you like to develop? *(e.g. public relations, teaching, organizing events, computer skills, marketing, helping others, musical talents, etc.)*

EMERGENCY CONTACT:

Name: _____ Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Relationship: _____

REFERENCES: *(Not related to you, e.g. employer, clergyman, long-term friend)*

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION YOU WOULD LIKE TO PROVIDE: _____

I hereby attest that the above information is true to the best of my knowledge. I give the BRIDGES Society permission to contact my references for information on my previous employment, education and volunteer experience. If accepted as a volunteer, I agree to a criminal record check. I also consent to the release of photographs, video or other visual aids that I may be pictured in to be used for recognition or promotional purposes.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Thank you for your interest in volunteering at BRIDGES. All applications will be reviewed and considered for current volunteer opportunities. We will keep your application on file for six months.