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Welcome our Summer Student!

We are delighted to introduce **Valentine**, our new summer student at Volunteer Grandparents. Valentine is moving towards her 4th year of studies in communication at Simon Fraser University.

Valentine, raised by a single immigrant mother and having moved from Alberta to BC, understands the challenges of isolation and the struggle to find a community. Her experiences make her role with us particularly impactful.

As she joins our team, Valentine is eager to enhance her understanding and engagement in fostering the intergenerational connections that are central to our mission.



Special Reminder: Our AGM is Coming Up!

We're thrilled to announce Rachelle Patille as our guest speaker for the upcoming AGM on **May 15th at 6:00 PM**. Rachelle, a valued member of our Volunteer Grandparents community, conducted thesis research with us in 2023. Her insights, gathered from conversations with senior volunteer mentors and past youth participants in our Family Match Program, highlight the importance of intergenerational connections.

Join us via Zoom to gain insights from Rachelle's extensive experience and to celebrate our community's achievements. Register your attendance by emailing info@volunteergrandparents.ca to receive your meeting link and passcode. Let's learn and grow together in fostering stronger intergenerational ties!



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Program Update

We are currently in the process of rebuilding our Family Match and School Grandparent Programs. Your support in sharing program details within our community would be greatly appreciated. If you are interested in assisting by distributing promotional materials or becoming a program ambassador to participate in community events, please don't hesitate to contact us.



Partner Spotlight

What's Kids Up Front?

With more than 455,000 tickets distributed since 2004, they are an organization like no other in Canada – providing tickets to hundreds of partner agencies from generous donors. They help enrich the lives of kids and their families by giving them experiences to create memories together.

Volunteer Grandparents is a proud partner with Kids Up Front Vancouver.

Letters To Seniors

If you're a senior eager to mentor a young person but you're short on time for volunteering, why not join our pen pal program?



Email us for more details:
info@volunteergrandparents.ca

Thank you... KUF

"Thanks for giving my daughter the chance to attend the Anne of Green Gables show. Despite her young age, she wanted to stay until the end and thoroughly enjoyed it. She had never been introduced to Anne of Green Gables before. She is now a fan of the personality of this character and is now devouring books on Anne of Green Gables that we borrowed at our public library following the show." Happy Volunteer Grandparents Parent