



KINGSLAND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY YOUTH VOLUNTEER AWARD OVERVIEW

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About Kingsland

Annexed to the City of Calgary in 1956, Kingsland is a very desirable community because of its proximity to downtown Calgary. The demographics in KCA are changing as young families move into the community. On the flip side, the community has many original residents who have raised their families and continue to reside here. Kingsland is bound by major transportation arteries including Glenmore Trail to the north, Macleod Trail to the east, Heritage Drive to the south, and Elbow Drive to the west. These major roads, as well as the Light Rail Transit (LRT) located at Heritage station, provide Kingsland residents with excellent access to downtown and other parts of the city. Kingsland is in close proximity to the Glenmore Reservoir, canoeing and boat docks, extensive pathways (walking, cycling, hiking, roller blading, etc.), Heritage Park Historical Village, Rockyview General Hospital, and Chinook Mall all within walking distance for community residents.

Why do we offer the Community Youth Volunteer Award?

The Kingsland Community Association (KCA) wants to encourage and invest in those who actively work to give back to their community. Volunteering is one important way that our resident youth can give back to and support our growing community, and we feel it is important to recognize and award those individuals who dedicate their time and energy to building our community.

What is the award and how do I earn it?

The KCA offers up to \$1000.00 per year for the Community Youth Volunteer Award, which can be shared between multiple successful applicants at the discretion of the KCA's award review panel. Applicants for the award must volunteer a minimum of 15 hours to qualify for the annual award. The KCA will consider the period of volunteering as the previous 12 months (i.e., July 1 to June 30 each year).

Who can apply for the award?

Individuals between 12 and 25 years of age, who either reside in Kingsland or volunteer in Kingsland are eligible to apply. There is no cap on the number of years an individual can apply for and/or receive the award, so long as the individual has completed their 15 volunteer hours each year (i.e., volunteer hours only count toward the year of application). Kingsland residents can volunteer at any event in the city, but preference will be given to those who volunteer in Kingsland and/or at Trico partnership events. Youth who reside outside of the Kingsland community can also apply for the award, however, all their volunteer hours must be dedicated to the Kingsland community or Trico partnership events to be considered. KCA board executives, directors, and resident volunteers who participate on any KCA committee (e.g., Planning & Development, Social, Communications, etc.) are not eligible for this award.

What can I use the award funds for?

The award funds can be used as an applicant pleases; however, we encourage funds be put toward development opportunities such as health and wellness, education, athletics, educational travel, school trips, career aspirations, apprenticeship training and tools, vocational training, fine arts programs, etc.

How do I apply for the award?

The first step is to complete and submit a "[Community Youth Volunteer Award Application Form](#)". The form asks for some brief personal profile questions (age, address, phone, etc.) along with additional information (i.e., specify the school, college, or university you are attending, career aspirations, program enrollment, etc.). Please submit the application form as early as possible to ensure you have time to collect the required number of volunteer hours over the course of the year. We accept applications via email (admin@kingslandcommunity.ca), mail (505 78 Avenue SW, Calgary AB T2V 0T3), or at the Kingsland Community Hall's drop-box at 505 78 Avenue SW.

How do I track my hours?

All volunteer hours must be tracked on the "[Community Youth Volunteer Award Tracking Sheet](#)". Each applicant is responsible for the maintenance and safekeeping of their tracking sheet. The applicant must bring their tracking sheet to each volunteer opportunity to be signed by a supervisor to confirm your volunteer hours. If you are volunteering at a KCA event, any KCA board member can act as a supervisor.

Where can I find volunteer opportunities in Kingsland?

Information on upcoming volunteer opportunities can be on the [Get Involved](#) section of our website and in the Kingsland Post monthly newsletter mailed to each household. Regular volunteering opportunities in the community include ice rink maintenance (flooding and shovelling) in the winter months, the annual Kingsland

Clean-Up Day, social events, our semi-annual casino fundraiser, and canvassing for our annual Membership Drive.

Volunteering for a senior in the community is another great option to fulfill your hours. For example, shovelling sidewalks, raking leaves, taking out garbage, etc.

How do I submit my volunteer hours?

Complete and submit a “[Community Youth Volunteer Award Submission Form](#)” along with your completed “Community Youth Volunteer Tracking Sheet” to the KCA, either by email (admin@kingslandcommunity.ca), mail (505 78 Avenue SW, Calgary, AB T2V 0T3), or in-person at the Kingsland Community Hall’s drop-box at 505 78 Avenue SW. Your submission form and tracking sheet must be submitted between June 30 and August 15.

How does the KCA decide who gets the award?

A review panel comprised of three or more board members, or a designated panel, will review each submission and tracking form. Successful applicant(s) will be notified of their award in writing in September.

How does the KCA recognize award recipients?

With the consent of the award recipient, the KCA will publish the recipient’s name and their accomplishments in the Kingsland Post and in a feature on the community website and social media to congratulate them on their success.