Recruiting Volunteers



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Why are you recruiting?

The answer to that question will help to determine the best strategy for recruitment.





- 1. Short-term projects are short in duration with an end date.
- 2. Once the project is completed the volunteer position usually ends.





Long-term commitments might include drivers, educators, maintenance, caregivers or clerical responsibilities





Some projects need both



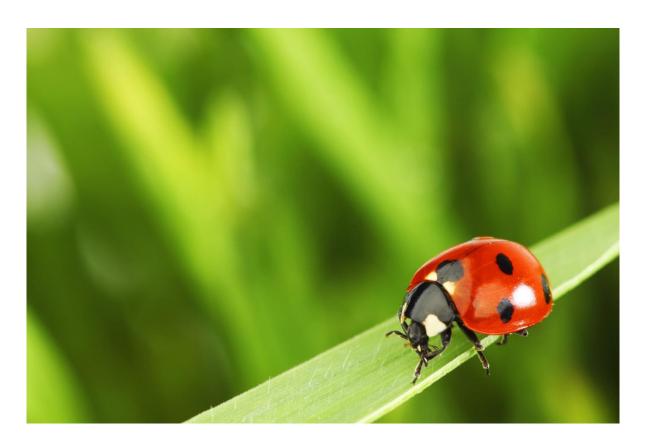


Example of short-term





Example of long-term





A General Call



Typically, most organizations send out a general call for help when they need volunteer support.



A General Call

A general call is important because it lets people know that everyone is welcome.

But, it is generally too vague to recruit many volunteers.





The best way to find volunteers

 Identify potential volunteers who have the skills or interest in the project

2. Make a personal invite





Personal Invite





Need a large group of volunteers?



Look for teams instead of individuals.



Write a Volunteer Description





Be sure to include information on the schedule, timeframe and any training or support that will be provided.





Sample outline for a volunteer position

Job title Qualifications

Purpose of position Supervisor

Length of appointment Training or Support

Work location Dress code

Time Commitment Benefits

Responsibilities Other



Create a title that reflects the function of the volunteer position





Looking for Potential Volunteers





Advertise the Volunteer Position





Recruiting members of specific populations



Volunteer diversity is good for your project and good for the community

- Can help break down barriers between different cultural groups
- Encourages new friendships
- Encourages new business collaborations
- Builds social bonds





Taking care of your volunteers





Board of Directors





Practice Sketches



