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Hello all,

This call for volunteers is being sent out on behalf of our Homelessness Services Team in Arts, Culture, and Community Services.

We are **recruiting volunteers** for the **2019 City of Vancouver Homeless Count** (<http://vancouver.ca/homelesscount>).

The count will take place throughout the city inside **shelters** during the evening of **Tuesday, March 12, 2019** and on the **streets** during the day on **Wednesday, March 13, 2019**.

Homeless Counts have taken place across Metro Vancouver every three years since 2002. The City of Vancouver started conducting an annual count in 2010.

Volunteering for the Homeless Count involves conducting a brief anonymous survey with people experiencing homelessness. The shelter count on March 12 will be conducted in emergency shelters. The street count on March 13 may involve walking around a neighbourhood.

All volunteers will be placed with a partner. Shifts will be 2 to 3 hours long and volunteers will be required to attend a 2-hour training session in late February or early March 2019. Volunteers must be 19 years of age or older.

**We are looking for people who**

- Are compassionate, accepting, and comfortable with one-on-one conversation
- Have a friendly, non-judgmental attitude and a good sense of humour

If you think you're a great candidate, please complete the online application form at <http://vancouver.ca/homelesscount> by **Tuesday, February 12, 2019**. We also welcome you to recruit amongst your friends and colleagues whom you know would be good at this.

If you have questions about the count or about volunteering, please email [homelessness@vancouver.ca](mailto:homelessness@vancouver.ca).

Thank you for considering volunteering for this important project. We've always been fortunate to have excellent and dedicated volunteers and are looking forward to the same this year.

Best,  
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