

From: ["van Dyk, Donny"](#)

To: ["Direct to Mayor and Council - DL"](#)

Date: 10/20/2025 10:52:26 AM

Subject: 2025 Solid Waste Volunteer Appreciation Event Invitation

---

Dear Mayor and Council,

On behalf of Engineering - Solid Waste Management, we are pleased to invite Mayor and Council to attend the 2025 Solid Waste Volunteer Appreciation Event. This annual gathering celebrates the contributions of thousands of volunteers who help keep Vancouver clean through our [Neighbourhood Cleanup Programs](#) and support other zero waste outreach initiatives such as [Pop-Up Recycling Events](#), [Repair Cafés](#), and the [Zero Waste Ambassador program](#). Typically, around 150 volunteers attend this event.

Event Details:

Date: Thursday, November 6th

Time: 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Location: Chinatown Storytelling Center (168 E Pender St)

Due to space limitations, attendees will be divided into two groups. Each group will begin with a brief presentation from staff:

Group 1 Presentation: 6:00 pm

Group 2 Presentation: 7:30 pm

We welcome the Mayor or Councillors to deliver congratulatory remarks to our volunteers during the presentations. Alternatively, we can play pre-recorded video messages if you are unable to attend due to other commitments.

Please RSVP, indicating your anticipated arrival time, to Greg Paton, Solid Waste Volunteer Coordinator, at [cleanup@vancouver.ca](mailto:cleanup@vancouver.ca).

Thanks,  
Donny

Donny van Dyk (he/him)  
City Manager  
City of Vancouver