

## Mission:

*To identify and leverage the skills, knowledge and passions of people who are newly retired, semi-retired or contemplating retirement by connecting these accomplished, committed and active individuals with opportunities to make a significant contribution as valuable mentors/volunteers in Niagara.*

## Principals:

A belief in the future of the Niagara Region and its communities

A belief that retirees have much to contribute to the future of Niagara

A belief that volunteerism builds community.

## When:

The program consists of four sessions that will run weekly on Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. -12 noon, May 8th to 29th

## Where:

NIAGARA COLLEGE  
Maid of the Mist Campus  
5881 Dunn Street Niagara Falls, ON  
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## Cost:

Registration is \$149 for the four-session program.

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## Registration:

- 1) BY PHONE: 905-988-4306
- 2) ONLINE: visit [www.niagaracollege.ca/cereg](http://www.niagaracollege.ca/cereg)
- 3) IN PERSON: visit the Office of the Registrar, Mon. to Fri., 8:30am to 4:30pm at these locations:  
WELLAND CAMPUS  
Secord Building, Room SE105  
NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE CAMPUS  
West Wing, Room W109

Course Code: GENI 1118C  
Class Number: 1233

## Hosted by:

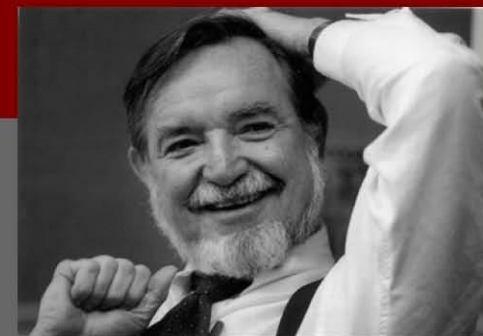


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# LEGACY LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

*Connecting retirees to volunteer opportunities in Niagara Region*



This action oriented program will connect you with a variety of targeted volunteer opportunities.

## Background . . .

A recent Niagara voluntary sector survey revealed that an increasingly diverse population demonstrates steady reliance on voluntary organizations for programs and services.

Niagara voluntary organizations are currently facing public and private funding cuts and a decrease of available volunteers.

In Niagara we have many talented individuals who are currently considering, or have reached, the early years of retirement who can contribute an array and depth of skills, knowledge and insights to these organizations.

By connecting these individuals to innovative community programs we can build the capacity of the community to resolve serious social problems.



***“I am of the opinion that my life belongs to the community, and as long as I live it is my privilege to do for it whatever I can.”***

**- George Bernard Shaw**

## Learning Sessions . . .

### FOUR KEY ELEMENTS:

1. Overview of different types of volunteerism: mentoring, family, travel, project/skills based, etc.
2. A self-assessment tool to help identify your optimal volunteer opportunity
3. Creation of your own volunteer profile
4. Choices for the self-directed learner

### SESSIONS:

#### WEEK ONE

- Overview of the program. Presentation of course goals and objectives
- Participants work through a screening tool to determine “volunteer preferences”
- Presentation of breadth and variety of volunteer experiences available
- Participants create a volunteer profile of themselves

#### WEEK TWO

- Round table sessions (Choice of 3) for detailed introduction to various volunteer experiences available: Mentoring, Family (or group), Travel and skills based Project Volunteering.
- Reflection and group discussion

#### WEEK THREE (2 Choices)

- Mentorship – Mentoring skills development training
- or**
- Overview of the Poverty issue in Niagara Region. Meet with agency representatives who are working to relieve poverty and learn about their volunteer opportunities.

#### WEEK FOUR

- Based on participants’ Volunteer Profiles, community organizations will be attending this session with volunteer opportunities within their organizations geared to match the interests and skills of the participants.

### PROGRAM PARTNERS:

Information Niagara  
Volunteer Connections  
SkillShare Program  
Legacy Leadership Council

### HOSTED BY:

Niagara College

***“A community is like a ship;  
everyone ought to be prepared  
to take the helm.”***

**- Henrik Ibsen**