

## Invictus Games Vancouver Whistler 2025: FAQs for Volunteer Communications

### Q: How do I volunteer for the Invictus Games Vancouver Whistler 2025?

**A:** The volunteer application form will be available on the website on February 8, 2024, as part of the One Year to Go celebration activities. [www.invictusgames2025.ca](http://www.invictusgames2025.ca)

### Q: What is the application deadline?

**A:** The volunteer application form will be available from February 8 to April 30, 2024. We expect to have more applications than roles available and encourage anyone interested to apply early.

### Q: What are the criteria to be considered for volunteer roles?

**A:** To be eligible for consideration for volunteer roles, a person must satisfy the following criteria:

- Have advanced English language skills (speak, read, write and comprehend);
- Be available for volunteer shifts between February 6-17, 2025;
- Have their own unique email address and access to a computer and internet connection;
- Be able to commit to pay for the cost of traveling to and accommodations in Vancouver and/or Whistler at Games-time in February 2025;
- Be willing to undergo a security background check

### Q: What is the time commitment for Volunteering?

**A:** Volunteers should be available to work a minimum of *6 shifts* between *February 8-16, 2025*. Each shift will be a minimum of 4 hours, plus a commitment to complete all training modules. Some shifts could be 8-12 hours, depending on the role and venue.

## **Q: What types of Games-time volunteer roles are there?**

**A:** We have a variety of exciting roles including some that require specialized skills and work experience, while others simply require a desire to roll up your sleeves and pitch in. Some volunteers will have the opportunity to interact with competitors and spectators at venues, while others will support the great work happening in other areas, including transportation, medical, information technology, press operations, communications, protocol services, accreditation, workforce services and more.

## **Q: What can I expect as a volunteer?**

**A:** Volunteering at the Invictus Games Vancouver Whistler 2025 will be an incredibly rewarding experience that you'll look back on with pride. This will be your chance to showcase Vancouver and Whistler, develop meaningful friendships with fellow volunteers, gain valuable skills and experience, and engage and inspire your community. More details of what Games-time volunteers will be provided with are still being finalized, but at a minimum, volunteers will benefit from:

- A volunteer uniform that will be yours to keep.
- A certificate of achievement to recognize your impactful contribution and newly acquired skill set.
- Invaluable volunteer hours and work experience.
- Comprehensive training to ensure you are well-prepared and confident on day one.
- The opportunity to network, make lifelong friends and try your hand at something new.
- The chance to have fun and be at the heart of the first-ever Winter Invictus Games.

While we welcome all applicants who meet our basic requirements, one objective of the volunteer program is to build a social legacy of volunteerism in British Columbia. As such, preference will be given to local applicants and to those who are Veterans.

That said, Invictus Games Vancouver Whistler 2025 recognizes the valuable contribution of international volunteers and those who have experience at previous Invictus Games, who may be required to support specific roles. A portion of the total number of volunteer roles may be filled by those with previous Invictus Games experience.

**Q: Will accommodation be provided for volunteers?**

**A:** As a not-for-profit organization supporting service members and Veterans, our priority is to support the Competitors and the Family & Friends. This means that, unfortunately, Invictus Games Vancouver Whistler 2025 will be unable to provide accommodation for volunteers. Unfortunately, this also means that we do not have the capacity to organize a homestay program for “out of town” volunteers.

While all applicants are responsible for their own accommodation, we will make an effort to assign volunteer roles near an applicant’s stated geographic area of interest, wherever possible. We do anticipate having a partner hotel for Invictus Games Vancouver Whistler 2025 affiliates and more information on this will be shared as it develops.

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**Q: Will Invictus Games Vancouver Whistler 2025 pay for my travel?**

**A:** As a not-for-profit organization serving veterans, our priority is to support the Competitors and the Family & Friends. Unfortunately, expense reimbursement for travel will not be provided for volunteers. Volunteers living abroad or in other parts of Canada will be responsible for the cost of their travel to/from Vancouver and/or Whistler.

For questions, please email us at [volunteer@invictusgames2025.ca](mailto:volunteer@invictusgames2025.ca).