

Sunshine Coast Healthcare Auxiliary

A HOW TO GUIDE TO:

Joining the Auxiliary and volunteering in your community

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STEP ONE

Contact Sunshine Coast Healthcare Auxiliary through one of the following ways:

- Website: complete an application form and we will contact you
- Complete an application form at the Thrift Store or Gift Shop
- Chat with any auxiliary member, who will have the Chair of the branch closest make contact with you.

- NOTE: Junior Volunteers follow a different procedure – contact Junior Volunteer Chair directly

STEP TWO

The Branch Chair or designate will contact you by phone:

- To explain how the Auxiliary is organized and invite you to the next Branch meeting. At the meeting the membership person will describe the various areas for volunteering and ask you to complete a Membership Application form if you have not already done so. Dues are \$10.00 per year and are payable in September.

STEP THREE

- The branch membership person will explain how to apply for a Criminal Record Check and when that is completed, you may wish to obtain Photo ID if you chose to work in one of the hospital settings

- Photo-ID may be obtained at Sechelt Hospital Administration Monday – Friday (excluding Stat holidays) 8:00 AM – 12:00 or 12:30 – 4:00 PM
- Usual wait time is 7 days

STEP FOUR

WELCOME: Attend our monthly meetings and think about which of the many activities that you would like to participate in. Your branch will provide all the details you need to know to join any of the following activities:

Examples of volunteer opportunities which may vary by branch..

- Thrift Shop: It is the main fund-raising arm of the auxiliary. Volunteers to work as cashiers are especially needed.
- Gift Shop: provides toiletries and comfort items for patients and great gift ideas to visitors and staff
- Loan Cupboard: provides residents of the Sunshine Coast with hospital type equipment for short term loan, free of charge
- Our Long-Term Care Facilities are Totem Lodge, Shorncliff and the Hospital 2nd floor: Volunteers help with birthday parties, hair care and other special events
- Branch specific events: plant and bake sales, parades, bazaars and more all of which are a great deal of fun.