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Pillar Nonprofit Network

Pillar Nonprofit Network supports nonprofit organizations in fulfilling their missions in our community. We provide leadership, advocacy and support to the nonprofit sector through the promotion of volunteerism, professional development, networking, and information.

History

Pillar Nonprofit Network originated in June 2001, through a partnership with Human Resources Development Canada and the United Way of London & Middlesex. The organization was created with the goals of enhancing the credibility and accountability of the nonprofit sector and building partnerships with the private and public sectors.

About Pillar Nonprofit Network

- We strengthen our community through increased awareness and advocacy of the nonprofit sector.
- We facilitate collaboration and connect nonprofit organizations to each other and to the public and private sectors.
- We support nonprofits to develop equitable workplaces that are diverse, inclusive and accessible to the community.
- We promote best practices and policies for an effective nonprofit sector.

Programs and Services

- Promotion & Best Practices for Nonprofit Sector
- Professional Development
- Volunteerism
- Networking
- Information
- Advocacy

Facts about Nonprofit Organizations in Canada

- Canada is home to the second-largest nonprofit workforce in the world. It is a dynamic sector that contributes **\$100 billion** to our economy each year.
- **Ninety-one percent of Canadians** agree with the statement, “Generally, charitable and voluntary organizations play a major role in making our communities better places to live.” (envision.ca)
- Nonprofit organizations work in a **wide variety of areas** such as: sports and recreation; religion; social services; grant-making, fundraising and voluntarism promotion; arts and culture; development and housing; and education and research.
- Most nonprofit organizations (63%) focus their services on the local **neighbourhood, city, or rural municipality** where they are located. Another 19% serve a specific region of their province or territory, or the province as a whole (8%).
- **Volunteers frequently outnumber paid employees** at nonprofit organizations. Over half of all nonprofit and voluntary organizations in Ontario and Canada have no paid staff.
- The value of volunteer contribution in Canada is estimated at **\$14.1 billion** dollars.

Facts about the Nonprofit Sector in London

- London has over **1150 nonprofit and charitable organizations**.
- It would take **6 full time employees** to replace the work of volunteers in each of London’s nonprofits. These volunteers contributed over **\$303 million dollars** with their time as their hard work and dedication to the nonprofit sector continue to improve our community.
- Pillar Nonprofit Network has over **185 nonprofit member organizations** across London and connects close to **15,000 Londoners** to nonprofit organizations annually through its programs and services.