FACILITIES

HYDE CREEK RECREATION CENTRE
1379 Laurier Avenue
Port Coquitlam BC V3B 2B9
604.927.7946

PORT COQUITLAM REC. COMPLEX
2150 Wilson Avenue
Port Coquitlam BC V3C 6J5
604.927.7970

THE OUTLET @ LEIGH SQUARE
2253 Leigh Square
Port Coquitlam BC V3B 3B8
604.927.8400

CONTACT INFORMATION

ACCESS & INCLUSION SERVICES
604.927.7975 or accessinclusion@portcoquitlam.ca

VOLUNTEER SERVICES
604.927.7953 or volunteer@portcoquitlam.ca

CITY OF PORT COQUITLAM
portcoquitlam.ca/volunteer

DIVERSITY is a fact
INCLUSION is an act

VOLUNTEER AS A LEISURE BUDDY

MORE INFORMATION:
portcoquitlam.ca/volunteer
WHAT IS A LEISURE BUDDY
The goal of a Leisure Buddy is to provide 1:1 support to a program participant in effort to create an inclusive recreation environment. This can include, but is not limited to participants living with physical, cognitive, behavioural or developmental barriers.

THE APPLICATION PROCESS
• Visit portcoquitlam.ca/volunteer
• Select Leisure Buddy and click “Apply Now!”
• Complete an Application Form
• All volunteers will be required to complete an Interview, Criminal Record Check and Orientation

Leisure Buddy volunteers will be expected to sign up for the entirety of a program for consistency purposes. Program lengths vary, however camps are a 35hr week and lessons are 1-2hrs/week for 6-10 weeks.

AS A LEISURE BUDDY YOU WILL:
• Help participants keep focused on the activity or task at hand
• Encourage and provide additional instructions or reminders during activities
• Assist your buddy in making positive connections with their peers and participate in group activities
• Accompany your buddy to take breaks from activities when needed.
• Have fun!

VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS:
• Minimum of 16 years of age (or entering/enrolled in Grade 11)
• Previous experience working with children/youth in a Recreation setting
• Previous experience supporting individuals with disabilities an asset

PROGRAMS YOU MAY BE REQUESTED TO SUPPORT A CHILD/YOUTH INCLUDE:
• Day camps
• Swimming Lessons
• Arts Programs
• Skating Lessons
• Playschool
• Bike Lessons

PLEASE NOTE:
Volunteers will never be required to provide personal care such as assistance with toileting, changing or administering medications