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MEDIA ADVISORY

International Volunteer Day Celebration to be held at Volunteer MBC

December 3, 2012 – Brampton, ON – On this Wednesday, December 5, Volunteer MBC invites the Region of Peel community to attend their Annual Open House and to join in on the celebration of International Volunteer Day (IVD). IVD, as declared by the United Nations General Assembly, is a day that celebrates the efforts of those who have made an important contribution to society by giving their time as volunteers.

This year's event will take on the theme of an "afternoon tea party" and will provide the opportunity for the community to celebrate the incredible efforts of volunteers across the Region of Peel, meet the centre's staff, as well as to learn more about the programs and services that are available through the volunteer centre. The event will also feature a silent auction of various items and gifts for all ages, with proceeds raised from the auction supporting the United Way of Peel Region. Auction items can be viewed on Volunteer MBC's Facebook Fan Page at: www.facebook.com/LikeVolunteerMBC. Note that bidding on items can only be done on-site on the day of the celebration.

Residents of the Mississauga, Brampton and Caledon communities, and members of the media, are invited to attend this Open House event.

Date/Time:

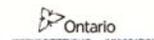
- Wednesday, December 5, 2012
- 3:00PM to 6:00PM
 - 3:00PM to 4:45PM – Meet-and-greet & Silent Auction
 - 4:45PM to 5:15PM – Welcome Address, Dignitary Speeches and Volunteer Recognition Ceremony
 - 5:15PM to 6:00PM – Meet-and-greet
 - 6:00PM – End of Event

Location:

- Volunteer MBC – Brampton Centre, 7700 Hurontario Street, Unit 601, Brampton, L6Y 4M3
 - Link to map: <http://goo.gl/maps/p28lz>

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Attendees/Dignitaries:

- Ms. Carine Strong, Executive Director, Volunteer MBC (*confirmed*);
- Volunteer MBC Staff and Volunteers (*confirmed*);
- Representatives from over 150 community service organizations, who are members of Volunteer MBC (*invited*);
- Members of federal and provincial constituencies (*invited*);
- Members of regional and local council (*invited*).

Volunteer MBC is a volunteer centre serving the cities of Mississauga and Brampton, and the Town of Caledon. The centre offers a referral and matching service for volunteer placement within the community for all ages. They also provide education and support for volunteers and community service agencies and organizations, and serve the corporate community with various programming services that engage individual and team volunteering. Additionally, the centre strives to be a strong voice to support and promote volunteerism.

For more information about Volunteer MBC, to access their on-line volunteer opportunities database, and to find more details on the centre's three convenient locations in Mississauga, Brampton and Caledon, visit www.volunteermbc.org.

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