

Dawson Creek Better at Home: Volunteer Assignment Assessment

Dear Volunteer,

We want to make sure you are getting the support, training, and benefits you should be getting from your volunteer experiences. That’s why we put together this assignment assessment for you to complete when you start a new assignment.

Because our volunteers work outside of the main office, it can be difficult for us to realize that you may need support or training on a specific topic. This assessment form is your opportunity to let us know what you need.

We also want to make sure you get something special out of your volunteer experience. That ‘something special’ may help you in other areas of your life. A young person can put their volunteer experience and any training sessions they’ve attended on their resumes to improve their ability to find work. Other volunteers may find a sense of personal satisfaction in being involved in making their community a better place to live. You may even find a few ‘something specials’ that you didn’t anticipate. We hope you will share this information with us so we can improve our program and make sure everyone who volunteers can take away a ‘something special’.

Fill out one of these assessments any time you feel the need to pass on your input. You can get additional blank forms at the Better at Home office or you can print one from the ‘Volunteer’ page on the Better at Home website (www.dcbetterathome.org). And please feel free to contact the Better at Home office anytime if you need to discuss your volunteer experience.

Before filling this out please be sure you are familiar with the Volunteer Handbook.

<p>1. Do you understand the boundaries and guidelines that “Better at Home” has set out for your volunteer position?</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>2. Do you feel your assignment was properly explained to you? If not, what information do you think was missed?</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>3. Are you comfortable with this assignment? If not, please explain.</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>4. Do you feel you have all the skills/experience required for this assignment? If not please explain.</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>5. Would extra training be helpful? i.e. Workshops, sessions, one on one counselling, mentorship from someone with experience, other. Please include any detail that may help us address this need.</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>6. Have you found the staff at “Better at Home” make themselves available and are helpful when you want to talk about your assignment? If not, please give details</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>

<p>7. Do you feel that the senior is expecting more from you than you are able/willing to provide? In what way?</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>8. Have you felt pressured in any way? If so, please explain.</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>9. Is your assignment taking more of your time than you expected or does it not work with your schedule?</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>10. Do you, at any time while volunteering, feel unsafe or threatened in any way? <i>(Please never wait to report this! We never want our volunteers to feel unsafe.)</i> Please give details.</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>11. Do you feel appreciated? (This is very important to us! We definitely appreciate our volunteers and want them to feel appreciated.) What can we do to show our appreciation in a way that would be meaningful to you? <i>(examples: Volunteer Appreciation Event, An Appreciation Gift like a t-shirt, gift certificate, or other item. Public recognition 'Volunteer of the Month', or receiving a pin for a certain # of hours of service).</i></p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>12. Is there anything else you would like to share with us about your volunteer experience with "Better at Home"?</p>	

Thank you for taking the time to be pro-active about your volunteer experience and helping us make Better at Home a great place to volunteer!

Volunteer Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____



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