



## **Parkland Valley Sport, Culture & Recreation District Recognizing Volunteers Together Initiative Guidelines**

**Vision:** To support organizations in the Parkland Valley District in regionally recognizing and thanking volunteers for their valued contributions.

**Initiative Purpose:** To thank and provide public recognition of the importance and value volunteers provide in the areas of sport, culture, and recreation.

**Target Groups:** Sport, culture and recreation sector volunteers of all ages who reside within the Parkland Valley District boundaries.

### **Initiative Guidelines**

1. Complete and submit the online Nomination Form by our deadline of Wednesday, September 30, 2026.
2. Parkland Valley District will adjudicate all nominations. Decisions are final.
3. The adjudication process will take into consideration: the number of volunteer nominations and their overall impact on the community/region.
4. One nominee (individual) will be selected for each of the following categories: Sport, Culture, and Recreation.

#### **Category definitions:**

**Sport** - Involves organized physical activity or athletics (e.g., coaching, officiating, managing teams, organizing tournaments, supporting athletes).

**Culture** - Involves artistic, creative, or heritage-based activities (e.g., organizing cultural events, supporting arts programs, preserving local history, promoting diversity and cultural awareness).

**Recreation** - Involves community activities that promote leisure, wellness, or active living outside of competitive sport (e.g., leading fitness or wellness programs, organizing community events, maintaining trails or green spaces, coordinating youth/adult recreation programs).

5. Each award recipient will designate an organization or program to receive \$500.
6. Parkland Valley District will recognize each award recipient by visiting their community to present the recognition in person. Our team will take photos, celebrate their contribution, and present a \$500 cheque to an organization of their choosing.

**Questions about the Recognizing Volunteers Together Initiative can be directed to:**  
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