



**Sudbury
2025**

Ontario 55+
Summer Games

Jeux d'été de
l'Ontario 55+

VOLUNTEER FAQs

Thank you for your interest in volunteering for the 2025 Ontario 55+ Summer Games! To help provide you with as much information as possible, we've compiled a list of frequently asked questions specifically related to volunteering.

Q: What are the Games? The Ontario 55+ Summer Games began in 1986 as Activefest and now feature over 1,400 participants competing in up to 17 sports. The 2025 Games, hosted by the City of Greater Sudbury, will mark the 20th edition of this celebration of active living. Organized in partnership with the Ontario Senior Games Association (OSGA), all participants must be active OSGA members and qualify through local or district events. Learn more or become a member at osga55plus.ca.

Q: When are the Games? The 2025 Ontario 55+ Summer Games will take place from Tuesday, August 5 to Thursday, August 7, 2025.

Q: Where are the Games taking place? The 2025 Ontario 55+ Summer Games will be held in Sudbury, Ontario. Click [here](#) to explore the sports and venue locations.

Q: What are the basic requirements? Volunteers must be at least 14 years old, attend mandatory in-person training in July, and be available from August 5-7, 2025. Volunteers aged 18 and older must also provide a valid Police Record Check.

Q: Why should I volunteer? Volunteering is a great way to support your community, meet new people, and help create a memorable experience for participants.

Q: How do I register to become a volunteer? Simply click [here](#), create or login to your account, and click the **REGISTER** button to submit your application. For your convenience, a step-by-step guide is available [here](#).

Q: What can I specifically volunteer for? There are many roles available, including Administration, Food Services, Games Organizing Committee, Logistics/Venue Operations, Medical, Opening Ceremonies, Special Events, Registration & Accreditation, Security & Safety, Sport Operations, and Transportation.

Q: When is the deadline to register? The deadline to register is Monday, July 14, 2025.

Q: Is there a minimum age to volunteer? Yes, the minimum age to volunteer is 14 years old.

Q: If I have an accessibility issue, can I still volunteer? Absolutely! We welcome volunteers of all abilities and are committed to providing the support and accommodations needed to ensure a positive experience.

Q: Can I choose the sport I want to volunteer for? Can I volunteer for more than one sport? Yes! You'll have the opportunity to select sports that align with your interests. While we can't guarantee every request, we'll do our best to accommodate your preferences.

Q: Do I have to own a car? No, owning a car is not required. Free GOVA transportation will be available for all volunteers from August 5 - 7. *Note: Regular GOVA transit scheduling and stops will apply.*

Q: Will I need a police check? Yes. Volunteers aged 18+ must submit a valid police check (dated within 6 months). The type of check will depend on your role - some may require a Vulnerable Sector Screening. We will provide you with a letter from the City of Greater Sudbury and it must be included with your police check application. Any costs will be reimbursed.

Q: Will accommodations be provided for volunteers who live outside of the city? While we are unable to provide accommodations, we appreciate your support and can share local lodging options to help with your planning.

Q: When will I know if I have been selected? Once you submit your application, you'll receive an email outlining next steps. After we received all required documents (e.g., police check), we will confirm your role. Final volunteer numbers will also be coordinated with the Games Organizing Committee at that time.

Q: What is the time commitment for training and working? Volunteers must attend an approximate 1.5-hour in-person training session. Shifts during the Games (Aug 5 - 7) will be based on your availability, and we'll do our best to match your preferences while ensuring all areas are supported.

Q: Is training mandatory? Yes, all volunteers must attend one in-person training session to help ensure a safe and successful Games. Choose the date that works best for you:

- Saturday, July 19 (a.m.) - Lionel E. Lalonde Centre
- Monday, July 21 (p.m.) - Gerry McCrory Countryside Arena

Note: Dates and venues subject to change.

Q: What if I can't attend in-person training sessions because I don't live in the city? We understand some volunteers are coming from out of town. If you can't attend one of the two sessions, please email us at volunteer55@greatersudbury.ca.

Q: Does the 2025 Ontario 55+ Summer Games qualify for my community service hours? Yes! Volunteering at the Games is a great way to earn community service hours while gaining valuable experience and giving back to the community.

Q: What if I need to cancel my application or my offer? We understand that plans can change. If you need to cancel, contact us at volunteer55@greatersudbury.ca - we appreciate you keeping us informed!