

2021 / 2022

CICS VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION EVENT

CONGRATULATIONS



Germain & Micheline, Food Bank



Edwina & Jenna, Early Year



Connie, MSWC



HuiPing, Food Bank



Lucilla, LINC Markham



Betty, Food Bank



BingQing, LINC Markham



Mercy, the Board



LiHui, Food Bank



Yue, Food Bank



Lucy, Food Bank



ZhongBing, Food Bank



Mirna, Community Food & Garden



Richard, Admin



Lala, Food Bank & IYC



Senior Garden Club, Community Garden



Kailey, SIS



JianMin, Food Bank



Tai Chi Class, Community Service



Thomas, Meal Delivery



Souhila, Food Bank



YongXia, Food Bank



Teresa, Food Bank

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**OTHER
ELECTED VOLUNTEERS FROM EACH PROGRAM**



The Board

**Settlement and
Integration Services
Unit**

Berta Zaccardi
Julie Scott
Jeremy Mullin
William Chu Kwan
Glendy Sze
Hisham Ghostine
Joshua Chan
Irene Guo

Catherine Zhou
Jujian Zou
James Zhang
YiChen Di
ZhuoRan Jillian Feng
YuTong Jessie Cao
Atisa Wang
XueTong Tonia Hong
Jolene Li
YiDan Liu
WeiLin Wendy Li
WeiJun Chris Li



**LINC
Markham
Unit:**

Calina Han

**Immigrant Youth
Center Unit**

Diluxykaa Puvanenthirakumar
Katrina Jin
Deekshitha Kannan
SaiYu Cici Lu
Jessica Zhang
WenJia Kelly Wang
Michelle Zhang

**Community
Services Unit**

PingKay Tom Cheung
KitOi Kitty Chu
Asaad Al Salman
Ernie Aleong
KingFung Aeda Ho
ManKam Ho
VaiYeng Kitty Tong Chan
LaiKing Wong
Tony Shum
WingChuen Roger Yu
Steven Guo
MoXiang Li
YaXiu Lei
DongMei Liu
Qun Lily Li
Raymark Bancolita
ShuYa Joshua Lin
LiHui Chen
WuLiang Weng
GiaLam La
QuyHung Luu
KwokWah Kevin Leung
Hui Zhang
YuYun Li
Vathana Nitharsan
Jie Wang
ChunOn Patrick Chiu
XiaoTing Gong

**York Region
Settlement Unit**

Peter Vale
Margaret Yee



**Mental Health
Unit**

Sandy Lin
Angela Madina Qoraishi



LINC Toronto Unit

Sadaf Aghaei

**Markham South
Welcome Centre
Unit**

Jun Lisa Fan



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MESSAGES FROM OUR VOLUNTEERS



"I joined CICS at the beginning of 9th grade. At first, I did not know what CICS was (nor stand for) because I was just here for the volunteer hours. However, after interacting with my CICS peers, I've developed a strong passion for helping immigrants and people in general. I had a lot of different volunteer experiences such as translating blurbs, making English workshops, tutoring, and more. This is my third year here at CICS and I am loving it!"

---- from *Railey*, SIS

"Thank you and much appreciated that CICS have presented me the Volunteer Certificate. I have been volunteering at CICS since May 2020 in food bank program and also primary health program. I am happy and continue looking forward to contribute my time and effort to volunteer with the crew like you all who are friendly and very supportive to the needed people."

---- from *Lucy*, Food Bank

"I like to take this opportunity to thank all our Tai Chi class volunteers, they all came a long way, all of them been with us for over 20 years. without their tireless efforts and dedication, our Tai Chi class will not have survived after the pandemic. for these I truly feel thankful. I also like to thank our students who are so eager and enthusiastic in coming to practice Tai Chi. During the pandemic, I constantly received phone calls asking for the reopening date. Really happy to see everyone coming back after the pandemic with good health and energy. Although we are all seniors now, I always believe that 'we are old, but we are not out' I am sure everyone will gain health benefits and positive outcomes in practicing Tai Chi."

---- from *Tom*, Tai Chi

"My experience working with CICS was amazing. I volunteered at two of their locations (Markham and Scarborough). Some of the programs I've joined are food bank, tutoring younger kids, and many more. They have helped me build a stronger relationship with my community and I've learned to interact with people that are in different age groups. I've experienced the different culture and traditions with them. I value the opportunity I got working with CICS very much."

---- from *Lala*, Food Bank & IYC

"I consider Tai Chi a pattern of perfection, refinement, beauty and clarity of mind, which helps the practitioner to focus, calm down and maintain a healthy lifestyle. I am honored and proud to keep up with and pass on the discipline I have learned from my honorable teachers and masters to the lovers of this inspiring style throughout my humble contribution in volunteering activity at your Tai Chi program."

---- from *Asaad*, Tai Chi

"I really enjoy my 8 years of volunteering in the CICS Mentorship Program. It provides me an opportunity to introduce Canadian work culture to new immigrants of different backgrounds. Helping them with their resume and job interview skills also keep me up-to-date with the current job market. It is very satisfying to see someone landing on his/her first Canadian fulltime job!"

---- from *Lucilla*, LINC Markham

"It was pleasure to work with CICS for the mural project, this experience gives me peace of mind, happiness and quality time that I spent with your community. I loved and enjoyed the experience while I was working on my Mural project. I met a lot of amazing people who supported me throughout my journey, like you and many others. From this experience, I felt that I was able to pay back all the good things that Canada offered for me and my family. Thank you."

---- from *Mirna*, Garden

"My sister, who was a student in CICS postnatal training program, introduced me to volunteer in the food bank program in March 2021. I must say the work team is very friendly and supportive. I was deeply touched by what CICS Food Program has been providing the service in the community. Recently I became a monthly donor to the program. I am very glad to be of use to others!"

---- from *Lili Hui*, Food Bank

"CICS is an asset to our community. As a volunteer, I am interacting with staff, clients, and other volunteers in a welcoming atmosphere was rewording. I introduced my husband to take volunteering activities at CICS in different programs and event as well who also found joyfulness as I do."

---- from *EnHuan*, Early Year

"It means a lot to me when I saw joy on people faces that are serviced by CICS Food Bank program. That moment makes me felt proud of myself because it tells me I am able to contribute in my own little way in the community!"

---- from *ZhongBing*, Food Bank