

NEWS

VOLUNTEER CENTER OF BERGEN COUNTY, INC.

64 Passaic Street Hackensack, NJ 07601 Phone: 201-489-9454 Fax: 201-489-1995
www.bergenvolunteers.org

For immediate release
January 21, 2009

Contact: Tess Tomasi Ext 114
Maureen McCormick Ext. 126
201-489-9454

End date: February 6, 2009

When a Simple Thank You is Not Enough

How to Develop a Volunteer Recognition Program

North Jersey: “Appreciation is a wonderful thing. It makes what is excellent in others belong to us as well” Voltaire

Each year, volunteers donate an average of 8 billion hours in the United States. At an estimated dollar value of \$19.51 per hour, the services rendered amount to over \$150 billion annually. Volunteers make it possible for non-profit agencies in Bergen and Passaic Counties to fulfill their missions to provide needed services that address serious community needs.

Sometimes a simple “Thank you” may not be enough.

The Non Profit Training and Resource Center of the Volunteer Center of Bergen County will present a workshop, **Recognizing Your Volunteers**, on Wednesday, February 11, 2009 from 9:30 am to 11:30 am at the Volunteer Center’s offices at 64 Passaic Street in Hackensack. The cost is \$15.00 which includes continental breakfast and all course materials.

During this workshop, participants will learn the benefits of a well thought out Recognition Program, which helps establish lines of trust, fosters cooperation and allows volunteers to be more receptive to change, helps volunteers grow as individuals and most importantly, aides in volunteer retention.

Participants will share creative and cost efficient methods of personalized and meaningful recognition, where volunteers know they have had an impact on the community.

This workshop is part of a series designed specifically for managers in non-profit and governmental agencies. It is highly interactive and hands-on, providing both an enjoyable and meaningful learning experience.

Pre-registration and pre-payment of the \$15.00 fee is required; the deadline for registration is February 6th. For more information or to register, e-mail training@bergenvolunteers.org, or call (201) 489-9454, ext.114.

The mission of the Volunteer Center is to strengthen the community by connecting people with opportunities to serve, operating model volunteer programs, building capacity for effective volunteering, and participating in strategic partnerships that meet community needs.

###