

Sarada Alamanda

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

Sarada Alamanda, originally from India, has been in Canada for 4 years. She has her Master of Commerce from India. While living there, she worked as a primary school teacher. Sarada currently works at Taco Time in Calgary as a cashier and a customer service representative. In her free time she likes gardening, cooking, interior designing and making friends.

Sarada volunteers at CIWA's front reception desk as a hostess. She also helps out with interpretation, tax clinics, follow up calls for the employment program, various administrative tasks for the Volunteer Program and the Administrative Assistant, and as a co-facilitator for a NFNG group. In total, she has contributed over 460 hours to CIWA programs and services. Outside of CIWA Sarada also volunteers for Connaught Community School.

Sarada enjoys volunteering as it gives her the chance to make new friends and build her confidence. Also she likes to improve her skills. She enjoys being able to help others in their journey as newcomers.

Sarada is very passionate about her work. She has a strong dedication to CIWA and she always shows sensitivity and understanding when she is working with people from diverse backgrounds. When she was working for the Tax Clinic, she went out of her way to aid low-income clients with their tax returns. She is patient and even when very busy, she always has a smile and never shows her frustration. Her enthusiasm, cheerfulness and strong interpersonal skills have made her well liked by our clientele, volunteers and staff.

With extreme gratitude, we are pleased to announce Sarada as the Volunteer of the Month for July 2013.



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