THE GOVERNOR GENERAL’S CARING CANADIAN AWARD

The Governor General’s Caring Canadian Award recognizes individuals who volunteer their time to help others and to build a smarter and more caring nation. Created in 1995, the award also highlights the fine example set by these volunteers, whose compassion and engagement are so much a part of our Canadian character.

If you know a friend, neighbour or member of your community who has made a significant, sustained, unpaid contribution to their community and deserves this special award, nominate them today at caring.gg.ca. Visit the website for more information about the program as well as inspiring recipient stories and videos.

*The program will soon go through an exciting change! Starting in spring 2016, the Sovereign’s Medal for Volunteers will incorporate and replace the Governor General’s Caring Canadian Award. The newly created medal will carry the same values as the Caring Canadian Award, continuing to recognize remarkable volunteers.*

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In July 2012, Governor General David Johnston presented the Caring Canadian Award to Ms. Lydia Kasianchuk, from Victoria, British Columbia, during a visit to the region. Ms. Kasianchuk had contributed her time to a large number of local organizations, including Arts Sustainability Victoria, Metchosin International Summer School for the Arts, West Coast Children’s Choral Society, the Victoria chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), the Victoria Hospice, and the Victoria Foundation, among others.

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