

## 50 Ways to Give Recognition to Volunteers

- ◆ Smile
- ◆ Put up a volunteer suggestion box
- ◆ Treat to a soda
- ◆ Ask for a report
- ◆ Send a birthday card
- ◆ Arrange for discounts
- ◆ Give service stripes
- ◆ Treat to ice cream
- ◆ Plan annual ceremony occasions
- ◆ Recognize personal needs and problems
- ◆ Be pleasant
- ◆ Post honor roll in reception area
- ◆ Respect their wishes
- ◆ Give informal socials
- ◆ Keep challenging them
- ◆ Send a Thanksgiving card to the person's family
- ◆ Say "Good Morning"
- ◆ Greet by name
- ◆ Provide a pre-service training
- ◆ Help develop self confidence
- ◆ Award plaques to sponsoring group
- ◆ Take time to explain fully
- ◆ Be verbal
- ◆ Give additional responsibility
- ◆ Afford participation in team planning
- ◆ Respect sensitivities
- ◆ Enable to grow on the job
- ◆ Send newsworthy information to the media
- ◆ Say "Good Afternoon"
- ◆ Honor their preferences
- ◆ Create pleasant surroundings
- ◆ Welcome them to staff meals
- ◆ Have a public reception
- ◆ Take time to talk
- ◆ Defend against hostile or negative students
- ◆ Make good plans
- ◆ Throw a pizza party
- ◆ Plan a theater party
- ◆ Recommend to prospective employer
- ◆ Utilize as consultants
- ◆ Praise them to their friends
- ◆ Say "Thank you"
- ◆ Be a real person
- ◆ Plan occasional extravaganzas
- ◆ Send impromptu fun cards
- ◆ Attend a sports event
- ◆ Have a picnic

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