COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Good weather, good deeds: BLGers making a difference this summer

With sunny days and warmer temperatures, summer is the perfect time to get outside and connect with our local communities. Across the country, BLG team members are making the most of the season, trading office chairs for gardening gloves and walking shoes in support of local causes and community organizations that are making a difference. Fueled by compassion and collaboration, this summer has been full of moments where good weather met good deeds.

Volunteering from coast to coast

Over the past few months, BLGers across Canada have embraced the spirit of giving back. In Ottawa, more than 150 team members participated in BLG Gives Back, a week of volunteer initiatives supporting local organizations. Activities included helping in the garden at the Ottawa Food Bank Farm, sorting donations at the Ottawa Humane Society and assisted in meal preparation at Operation Come Home. A week later, our team members in Vancouver got in on the action with BLG Vancouver Gives Back, where volunteers harvested produce in the garden with Fresh Roots and picked up litter at Kitsilano Beach with OceanWise, helping to foster healthier, greener communities.

But the impact didn't stop there.

In Calgary, a dedicated group of BLG volunteers spent the day at the Luna Over the Moon Charity Golf Classic, supporting the Luna Child & Youth Advocacy Centre. The event raised vital funds for services that support vulnerable children, youth and families in Calgary. BLG has proudly supported Luna's mission since 2016, and this event was another meaningful opportunity to continue that commitment.

In Montréal, colleagues Patrick Trent and Sandrine Mainville took part in the Pedal for Inclusion challenge, an annual fundraiser organized by Mission Inclusion. With BLG as a sponsor, the event raised over $55,000 to support community initiatives that help marginalized individuals across Quebec. Their efforts show how even a simple bike ride can drive big change.

And in Toronto, BLG joined the We Walk UHNited event on May 31, taking part in a 5 km accessible walk to support University Health Network hospitals. With nearly $15,000 raised, our team was proud to contribute to UHN's work in world-class patient care, research and innovation. It was a day filled with movement, motivation and community spirit.

Helping hands

These moments of community connection may take many forms, but they share a common thread: people coming together to offer hands on support. Whether through blood donation, meal preparation or yard work, every effort contributes to something greater.

At BLG, we're proud of the many ways our people have stepped up this summer. Their actions reflect the values we strive to uphold as a firm: compassion, service and a genuine commitment to making a difference.

Summer won't last forever, but there's still time to get involved! Whether it's a few hours at a local shelter, participating in a charity race or supporting a community fundraiser, there's no shortage of ways to give back. Let's make the most of this good weather and give back.