

Synopsis:

Researcher-in-Residence of the City of Kamloops, Daniel Gan, and City-Intern, Malika Sharma, will be attending the 2023 Point-in-Time Count to talk to the volunteers participating in the surveying for the Count. They hope to survey volunteers and ask them questions related to their volunteering expectations and experience to better understand how the PiT Count impacts their understanding of the housing crisis in Kamloops. If you are interested in talking about your experience and what led you to start volunteering, please do not hesitate to talk to them.

Questions to ask volunteers before volunteering:

- Have you volunteered at PiT or an event like this before? If so, what have been your past experiences and what have you learned from them? If not, what are your expectations and thoughts going into this experience?
- Why did you choose to volunteer today? What inspires you to volunteer?
- Why do you think the housing crisis is an important issue? Why do you think volunteering your time to help this issue is important?
- What do you hope you get out of this experience today?
- Do you believe there is a stigma around helping individuals that are homeless? What is something you wish people knew about this prevalent issue that would encourage more people to get involved in helping?

Questions to ask volunteers after volunteering:

- Now that you have finished volunteering, what are your thoughts on your experience? How different are they from your expectations going into this?
- What is something you wish you knew before volunteering?
- Was there an interaction, moment, or insight that you will cherish from this experience?
- How do you think today's volunteering experience has impacted how you feel about the housing crisis apparent in our society?
- What is a misconception you have/had about the housing crisis? Has your opinion changed?