



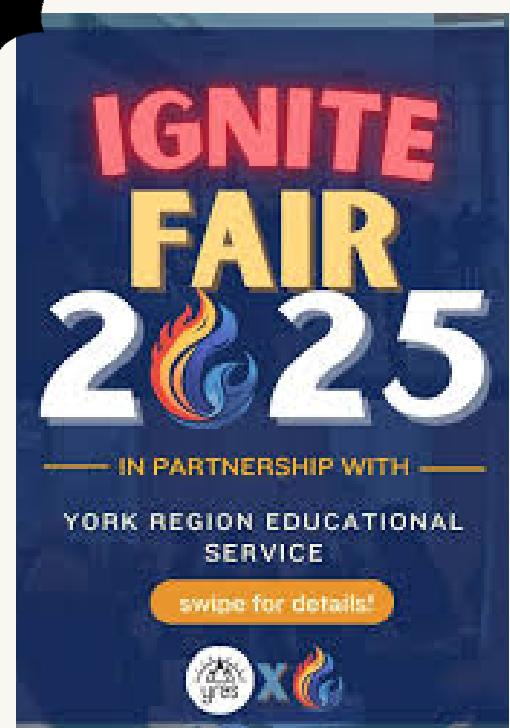
## U+ COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER NEWSLETTER

# HAPPY AUTUMN!

Great News - U+ has recruited **over 150 volunteers** so far! welcome to everyone who joined our community!

Here we will be sharing any upcoming events, opportunities, news, achievements, and shoutouts!

U+ Toastmasters is also rebranding— from now on, we will be known as **U+ Community**!



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT:

- YRES X Ignite Volunteer Fair
- Volunteer success conference

# UPDATES



## NOTICE



We are seeing an overwhelming number of scams via texts and emails, and we would like to remind everyone to stay vigilant about potential scams. Please remember:

- No one from U+ will ever ask for your personal information over email
- No one on the management team will ask you, staff, or volunteers to buy gift cards or anything of the sort.
- We will never contact you to meet outside official program hours.
- All event communications will always be posted on our Slack channels first.
- If you receive a suspicious message, please forward it to your Volunteer Supervisor right away

**A scam prevention training module will be coming soon, stay tuned!**

## ⌚ Training Reminder

If you haven't yet completed your **mandatory volunteer training**, please try to do so as soon as possible! Completing it allows you to join a team and get involved in some exciting upcoming projects.



## We Rebranded!

U+ Toastmasters has officially rebranded to U+ Community! You may have already noticed our rebrand roll out on our website, but does this change anything for you as a volunteer? No, this rebrand will not impact you, the Volunteer Connect project will continue to operate as usual!

# NEWS



## Camp Recreation and Education Team

### ★ HIGHLIGHTS

- Our team successfully led a PA Day Camp at the Markham Public Library, hosting students in Grades 1-4 for a day of fun, learning, and teamwork!
- Campers participated in interactive math-themed activities such as Math Bingo and Pompom Division, making learning both engaging and exciting!

### 🚀 UPCOMING PROJECTS

- Networking Sessions
- Public Speaking Tips Podcast
- More PA Day Camps!

### 📣 SHOUTOUTS

- A huge thank-you to **Adrian S.** and **Kevin V.** for their incredible support during our PA Day Camp! Your energy, positivity, and ability to make math fun truly inspired our campers!



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## Administration and Office Support Team

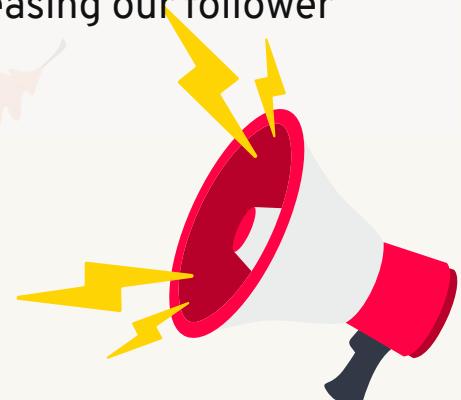
### ✨HIGHLIGHTS

- The admin/office support team has been doing market research into competitors to find ways to make our programs more competitive!
- We are optimizing different forms and documents for future use!
- We have been analyzing reports and drawing insights for future consideration!

## Marketing Media and Communication Team

### ✨HIGHLIGHTS

- The U+ Marketing team has been editing videos for our marketing efforts!
- We have also made progress with the Instagram outreach project, interacting with fellow organizations and increasing our follower counts!



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## Technology and Research Team

### ✨HIGHLIGHTS

- Volunteers dove into Pandas and Matplotlib to explore foundational data analysis and visualization skills.
- Our Data Cleaning & Web Views Analysis Lab gave volunteers insight into real-world data wrangling and web traffic interpretation.
- Budding designers created interactive Figma mockups, learning the ropes of modern UI/UX workflows and design thinking!

### 🚀UPCOMING PROJECTS

- More mini labs in Python, data storytelling, and web development
- Website Diagnostics Project: Work on evaluating and improving real websites
- Continued design and dev collabs for real-world training and portfolio building

### 📣SHOUTOUTS

- A huge thank-you to **Laud Randy Amofah**, **Vienna Zhao**, **Afroja Akter**, and **Amina Alam** for their excellent work in the Tech and Research team!



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## IN-PERSON NETWORKING EVENTS

OCT 23 - HALLOWEEN TRIVIA!

- Oct 3: Board Games & Networking Night
- Oct 30: Halloween Trivia Night
- Register [HERE!](#)
- + more to come in November!**



## VIRTUAL NETWORKING SESSION

OCT 24, 4 PM –5 PM

- **Theme:** Building Confidence Through Impromptu Speaking
- Join us for an interactive session filled with fun conversations, quick-thinking games, and confidence-building activities designed to help you sharpen your communication skills and think on your feet!
- RSVP [HERE!](#) (Same for In-person and Virtual Networking Sessions)



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER FAIR

OCT 25, 2:00PM-4:30PM

THORNHILL COMMUNITY CENTRE

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

- Oct 3: Board Games & Networking Night
- Oct 30: Halloween Trivia Night
- Register [HERE!](#)



## 2025 VOLUNTEER SUCCESS CONFERENCE & APPRECIATION

NOV 1, 1PM-5PM

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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

- Get ready to be inspired by amazing stories, connect with fellow volunteers, and celebrate your impact!
- Register [HERE!](#)

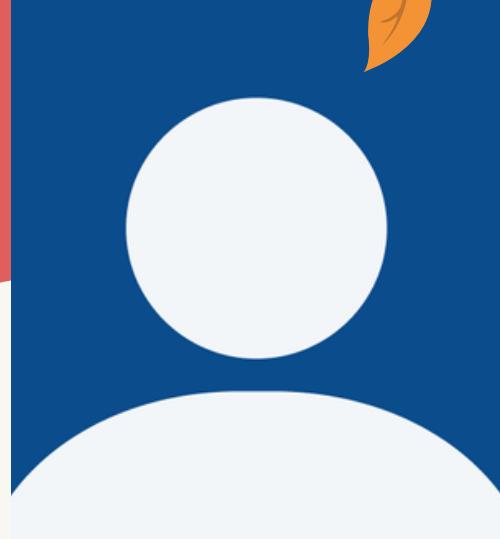


# VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



## SIPPER KHAN

A huge thank-you to Sipper, who has been a very active volunteer who is willing to take on any task and is very dedicated to honing her skills!



## FARIS OMER

Congratulations to Faris, a graduating volunteer, for his completion of over 120 volunteer hours since July. We wish him success in his future upon his graduation as a volunteer!

