

MARCH 2019

THE VOLUNTEER VOICE

Immunize Nevada's Monthly Volunteer Newsletter



Congratulations to our 6 volunteers who had the highest amount of volunteer hours in February 2019!

Northern Nevada: Meg Diedrick (5.5 hours), Anutr Sivakoses (3.5 hours), and Jared Tsuchiyama (3 hours)

Southern Nevada: Eris Williams (4.5 hours), Maizel Jurado (4 hours), and Alyssa Le (4 hours)



Special congratulations to Meg Diedrick (pictured top left) for getting accepted into the MPH program at UNR!





HEALTHY YOUNG NEVADA YOUTH COUNCIL

If you are between the ages of 16-23 and would like to join the Youth Council, contact Rachel Quattrin (rachel@immunizenevada.org) or Bobbi Tedesco (bobbi@immunizenevada.org).

AS THE MONTH OF LUCK COMES TO A CLOSE, SOME MEMBERS OF TEAM VACCINE WANTED TO EXPRESS WHY WE FEEL SO *LUCKY* TO HAVE YOU!

I feel so lucky that we get to work with talented and dedicated volunteers, interns, and students. Their dedication to our cause reminds us of how important public health and vaccinations are, and that many people agree. Thank you for all the hard work you put in! - David



The volunteers we have with Immunize Nevada and Healthy Young NV are some of the most dedicated, hardworking, and passionate people I've had the pleasure of working with! They are always eager to learn more and to engage with the community to raise awareness about public health. -Rachel

I am reminded at every outreach event how lucky I am to work alongside such dedicated, influential, and passionate volunteers. They never fail to impress me with their ability to share our mission and prioritize the health of every person that they speak to. Thank you for your dedication to our community and to Immunize Nevada! - Bobbi

EVENTS FROM FEBRUARY

On February 15, 2019, staff and volunteers attended the Mobile Health Collaborative in Henderson, NV, which was an event that helps to address both client and provider needs and gaps by uniting efforts of all health organizations for families and the community. Intern Kendall Lyons and volunteer Kim Tomas, along with staff Bobbi Tedesco (top left picture) helped to educate 51 people at the event, along with the help of volunteer Crystal Oden (not pictured) who looked up 8 WebIZ records so people could get vaccinated at the mobile health units outside of the gym. Kendall even got her flu shot at the event (top right picture) ! Way to go, team!

Immunize Nevada staff and Intern Intern Elisa Muniz (bottom right picture) attended Reno Tahoe Young Professionals Network's Nonprofit Night on February 21, 2019. This event was a networking event for members of Reno Tahoe Young Professionals Network. The event was a great success, and generated 25 interactions throughout their time.

Volunteers Adrian Peeples and Eris Williams (bottom left picture) attended the C.T. Sewell Elementary School Health Fair on February 26, 2019. They were able to interact with 48 people in the short amount of time, and provide valuable information about the importance of vaccines and other resources to ensure that all children are vaccinated.



What has been the most memorable and/or valuable experience of volunteering with Immunize Nevada?



I have learned a lot about the specifics of each disease we vaccinate for, as well as the vaccinations themselves. Also, our state's statistics that follow vaccinations and how important it is to get the herd immunity to a 95%. Before working here, I thought I knew everything there was to know about vaccines. However, in my short time here, I have developed a lot more knowledge on vaccines and the importance of vaccinating. I am very passionate about my work here and am looking forward to learning much more!

- Madison Maestretti, Immunize Nevada Northern Nevada Intern

Volunteering with Immunize Nevada has provided many opportunities to make an impact on the general public. I value the learning opportunities to help expand my knowledge regarding vaccinations and the chance to disseminate this information accurately to those who need clarity on the subject. It is also fun working with like minded individuals who have a passion for health and wellness.

- Daniel Levine, Team Outreach Southern Nevada



My most valuable memories of volunteering with Immunize Nevada are of getting to work with individuals who are truly dedicated to helping their community stay healthy!

- Delaney Shield, Team Prevention Northern Nevada

The most valuable experience for me with Immunize Nevada has been the ability to become part of a community that brings valuable health related information, supplies, and services to groups of people that might not have easy access to any of it normally.

- Katherine Dun, Team Outreach Northern Nevada



Happy Birthday

Special shout out to all March birthdays:

Tatiana Erives, Team Prevention Southern Nevada: March 25

Wishing you a very happy and fun-filled birthday!



UPCOMING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Northern Nevada:

- 1) **Thursday, 4/25/19 at the Douglas County Community Baby Fair:** 8AM-12PM at the Douglas County Community Center Gym (1329 Waterloo Ln, Gardnerville, NV 89410). 5 volunteers Needed.
- 2) **Thursday, 4/25/19 at the Northern Nevada Silver Syringe Awards & Fundraiser.** Set up from 3:30PM - 5:30PM; Event volunteers 5:30PM-9PM at the Renaissance Reno Downtown Hotel (1 South Lake Street, Reno, NV 89501). 10 volunteers needed.

Southern Nevada:

- 1) **Thursday, 5/2/19 at the Southern Nevada Silver Syringe Awards & Fundraiser.** Set up from 3:30PM - 5:30PM; Event volunteers 5:30PM-9PM at the SLS Las Vegas (2535 S. Las Vegas Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89109). 10 volunteers needed.
- 2) **Saturday 4/13 at the Fire Station 20 Open House.** This event is from 8:30AM- 11:30AM at Fire station 20 (5865 Judson). 1 volunteer is needed to help run the outreach table.
- 3) **Saturday 4/13 at the Silver Summit Health and Wellness Fair.** This event is from 10AM-2PM at New Hope Church of God in Christ (839 Balzar Ave, Las Vegas, NV). 1 volunteer is needed to help run the outreach table.
- 4) **Monday, 4/15 at the UNLV Public Health Job and Internship Fair.** This event is from 12PM-3PM at the Richard Tam Alumni Center Grand Hall. 1 volunteer is needed to help with the outreach table and speak with students.

Message Lily or Breanne on Glip/Ring Central if you are interested in any of the following volunteer opportunities!