

**In This Issue:
Why Are People Volunteering?**

The International Journal of Volunteer Administration seeks to publish articles that are of value and benefit to a wide range of readers. Higher education professionals, nonprofit executives, volunteer resource managers, graduate students, and those interested in started or strengthening a volunteer program. Authors of manuscripts we publish come from those same demographics and beyond! This issue of the IJOVA includes articles that will be great benefit to readers, on many levels.

Wang & Yoshioka offer insights into senior volunteering through an analysis of data from the Arizona Health Survey 2010. The results show that seniors who have more friends to rely on, who often hang out with others, help friends and neighbors, and participate in social clubs or religious and other organizations are more likely to volunteer. Lough, Xiang and Kang investigate motivation of seniors that volunteer internationally and provide readers with an interesting perspective. Nearly on the other end of the spectrum, Farahmandpour, examined data related to mandated service by selected high school students in Canada. Finally, Eccles and Biggs investigate motivating factors for volunteers that are engaged in monitoring activities associated with human rights of prisoners.

The articles in this issue address important motivating factors of volunteers in a variety of settings and across a wide age range. While motivation of volunteers has been researched and written about rather extensively, the authors of these articles provide us with new insights that are certain to provide new ideas to readers and/or challenge current strategies.

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