

# Volunteer of the Month ☆☆☆



Louise Smith was born in Washington D.C. but has lived in Canada for many years. She holds a Degree in English from the United States as well as a Masters in Teaching from Harvard University. In the past, Louise has volunteered at Ronald McDonald House, YMCA and Bow Valley College. Currently she volunteers at CIWA offering support for our computer training courses and our Employment Skills program. In her free time she enjoys traveling, cooking, reading, hiking, swimming and spending time with family and friends.

Louise takes great joy in meeting women from all cultures and backgrounds. She believes that the women who come to CIWA for services are very courageous and she greatly admires how much effort these women exert dealing with the trials and tribulations of arriving in a new country. Louise enjoys volunteering her time and skills as much as possible to help these immigrant women make changes in their lives. She is very responsible, knowledgeable, punctual and friendly. It is because of her dedication and commitment to CIWA's vision of empowering women to reach their goals and dreams as equal and contributing members of Canadian society that we have chosen her as the Volunteer of the Month for November 2009.