



Volunteers for the Lowertown Echo de la Basse-Ville

The Lowertown Echo de la Basse-Ville is a reflection of our community. It provides useful information for longtime residents and an introduction to the quartier for newcomers. It connects us all to events (past and present) to the people, places and businesses in the community.

From 2013 to 2016 the *Echo* changed from an 8-page, black-and-white photocopy edition with a print run of 1000 to a 16-page, colour newspaper with a circulation over 8000 — making it the largest circulation community newspaper in Ottawa. More pages means more stories and news items are needed while the expanded circulation means more deliveries have to be made.

It takes a team of volunteers drawn from the rich pool of talent that lives in our community to make each edition of the *Echo* the exemplary community paper it has become. **Without volunteers there would be no Echo.** This is a plea for people to join the team that puts the Echo together and delivers it to all the doors in our community.

The Echo needs more **contributors to write** stories in either French or English; people with **graphic design** skills; persons who may know something about (or want to learn) how to **layout** a paper; people willing to assume **co-editing** responsibility for various sections of the Echo and last but not least, people prepared to take a short walk **delivering** the Echo on their street.

It is not an onerous commitment as we only plan to publish five issues per year: September, November, February, April and June. So join in with other members in the community to make the Echo the best community newspaper in Ottawa. Many hands make light work.

To make enquiries or join the team, email us at volunteer.for.echo@gmail.com. To view previous copies of the *Echo* go to <http://www.lowertown-basseville.ca/echo.html>.

Sincerely,

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