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Consulate General  
of the Republic of Poland  
in Vancouver

Vancouver, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018

Dear All,

I would like to take a moment to deviate from our usual style of posting to thank all of the wonderful participants of the Barka's Canada volunteer project who devote their personal time to develop and improve their skills in social work.

I would like to extend a personal thanks to all of the wonderful organizers and volunteers who have helped make many of Barka's projects and events possible. To all those who took the time to commit, your support and effort are truly appreciated. To each and every one of you gathered here, and taking an interest in the work that Barka do, thank you.

Additionally, I would like to extend my thankfulness to all volunteers both within and outside of the organization. I am truly appreciative of those individuals who dedicate their time to educating our community on Barka's services and bringing more awareness to the cause. Volunteers comes in all ways, shapes, and forms.

At times, as a volunteer you may question the extent of the impact that your time and efforts have had. The days can feel unending, and the work is not easy. Please always remember that what you are doing is making a huge difference, and providing a voice to the recipient of your support. Thank you for your courage and your conviction, for leaving behind all that is familiar and comfortable to serve others. Thank you for your compassion and your awareness, for seeing the need and responding. Thank you for sharing your skills and knowledge to help improve lives and build the capacity of those who have not had the same

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opportunity – but thank you also for knowing that the experiences you will live and the people you will encounter will teach you more than you could have imagine. Thank you for your patience, respect and perseverance, change is never easy. But most of all thank you for your kindness, care and love and for being the inspiration the world needs.

Sincerely,

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