



Hi Fellow Triton Volunteers (Our Truest Tritons),

You are simply amazing!
How's that for being blunt, but truthful.

In a world of takers, you are givers. In a world that kills and wastes time, you invest it. How cool is that!
Who you are, and what you do literally make the world go round, and our communities better places.
For those who "worship at the altar of data", recent studies have actually monetized skills-based volunteering at **\$1.5B a year** in the United States!

The magnitude of our collective contributions while often overlooked by those who invest treasure but not necessarily time are turning out to be just as impactful.
Consider the alternative...

If all the volunteers in this country or even just in our city took a day off at the same time, much of the social sector would grind to a halt.

As the inaugural True Triton award honoree, every day I continue to be both amazed and inspired by what skill-based volunteering delivers in terms of social impact. It can be hard work with little recognition or support but we do it **because it is the right thing to do**.

In the spirit of *paying it forward*, with your help I hope to harness the untapped potential in each of us; to dramatically and positively impact the causes we care most about through our voluntary engagement, to celebrate our collective success, and as a side but important benefit, to expand our social network of like-spirited people who are committed to making our world better through regular communications among us. As we launch this very intentional effort, I want to make sure you know about [The Promise Campaign](#).

The Promise Campaign

If you support UCSD's mission and agree that supporting our students and Chancellor Khosla are important, then I strongly encourage you to get involved by participating in the [Chancellor's promise](#), or one of the others made by fellow [UCSD students and alumni](#).

With over 400 passionate Triton volunteers, just imagine the impact we could have if each of us made a simple promise that aligned with what matters to us most. Together we can help deserving students pursue their goal of a world-class UC San Diego education and at the same time support our future leaders, entrepreneurs

and innovators.

Please know, we appreciate everything you are already doing for UC San Diego. If you were inspired by your UC San Diego experience and in turn inspire others, in my book you are a True Triton. Let's go forth and make this world a better place with the natural talents and gifts that are most uniquely ours, **one person, one moment, one love at a time**. Our world needs you.

Thanks for all you do for UC San Diego!

Love,
Neville Billimoria, '82

PS. If I can "volunteer" an experience in stress management, yoga, women's self-defense, leadership, engagement, fostering a culture of excellence and wellness for you and your team, just ask!

"Volunteers are paid with SIX Figures: S-M-I-L-E-S"

~Gayla LeMaire



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