

## Job Posting

**Job Title:** Youth Outreach Worker

**Program:** Youth Services

**Reports to:** Director of Women and Youth Services

**Wage:** BCGEU General Services Agreement Grid 10

**Hours:** 35 hours per week

**Closing Date:** June 6 2021

**JOB SUMMARY:** Identifies and provides intervention and transitional support services to at-risk or special needs youth with a variety of issues and skill levels to reconnect them to their family; increase their knowledge and life skills; increase awareness of and access to community services and supports; and develop and or refine their interpersonal skills required for independence now and in adulthood.

### Qualifications:

- Child and Youth Care diploma or in a related human / or social services field.
- Valid First Aid Certificate
- One (1) year (minimum) recent related experience.
- Strong communication skills
- Current BC Driver's License and clean driver's abstract
- Use of personal vehicle is required for this position

### Key Duties and Responsibilities:

- Initiates contact with youth and identifies as at risk, high-risk and or special needs. Meets youth and assesses their suitability for services offered by the program. Makes referrals to other programs, agencies and / or community resources.
- Assists youth to adapt to, and maintain, healthy life-style choices by providing guidance, emotional support, knowledge and life skills. Monitors the youth's well-being and provides feedback and support to families as applicable to the program requirements.
- Plans, prepares and conducts group or individual coaching sessions to assist with life skills, life stage transitions, employment readiness and group inclusiveness.
- Recognizes and analyzes potential emergency situations and develops strategies to deal with them. Manages youth's aggressive behaviors to minimize harm to themselves, the public, or the worker.
- Assists youth in obtaining access to community services, supports, resources and treatments. Assists youth to obtain temporary or permanent housing either directly or in co-ordination with other community services for youth transitioning to independent living.
- Advocates for youth and assists them in self-advocacy.
- Reviews youth progress and makes reports regarding their daily activities and progress.
- Liaises with other agencies, professionals, ministry staff and the community.
- Performs other related duties as required.

Applicants can submit resume to:

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CMHA Kootenays thanks all applicants; however, only those selected for interviews will be contacted