

"Looking for Caring Workers to Support Surrey's only Safe House"



About Us:

The Fraser Region Aboriginal Friendship Centre Association (FRAFCA) is a rapidly growing Indigenous community-based organization, serving BC's largest urban Indigenous population of children, youth, families & Elders. Our Vision is to build *a community of strong, healthy, successful Indigenous people connected to each other and to their roots* by fostering their health & well-being through culturally relevant services, support, and advocacy.

Position Summary:

The ANYSH Youth worker provides a safe therapeutic daily living environment for the adolescent residents of the safe house; performs all duties including cooking, cleaning, supporting youth to achieve goals; and reporting. The incumbent provides positive role modelling that is culturally open and accessible to all youth; is a strong communicator, works well under pressure, and is team oriented.

Why FRAFCA:

- Opportunity to work alongside cultural knowledge keepers & Elders;
- Holistic, culturally safe, approaches to serving our clients and community;
- Freedom to share and observe own cultural practices (i.e. smudging in the office); Paid sick/personal leave days;
- Paid vacation day;
- Parking available on site.
- Offices located along main transportation routes; main office by the Skytrain Station;
- Extended Health Benefits Package (Medical, Dental, Travel) and Employee Assistance Plan after 3-months continuous employment;

Your Duties:

Some on your duties & responsibilities include:

- Provide a caring and positive environment for youth;
- Administrative and file management regarding youth intake & discharge from the safe house, staff communications;
- Regularly log activities & visitors in logbook.
- Support youth to follow through on referrals and encourage participation in referred programming and services;
- Understand the continuum of youth services with partners, especially Options & Pacific Community Resources;
- When requested, support youth communication with professionals, including Ministry social workers, school officials, medical personnel etc.;
- Promote healthy and hygienic living practices;
- Manage safety and sanitation procedures, first aid and emergency medical procedures in the safe house, particularly the bed bug protocol;
- Assist in the overall care and maintenance of the safe house area and equipment;
- Perform daily cleaning and prepare meals as needed for youth;
- Overnight, awake, work times are part of the work schedule;
- Provide shift coverage on an emergency basis;
- Work cooperatively with each safe house team member and assist the staff team in the development and review of program components.

Qualifications:

- Child and Youth Care diploma or an equivalent combination of education and related experience as demonstrated by
 - Combination of relevant certifications;
 - Years of experience working directly with youth.
- Demonstrated positive personal characteristics;
- Valid driver's license an asset;
- Valid First Aid and Food Safe certificate;
- Experience working in a non-profit sector an asset;
- Knowledge of multicultural communities, organizations and service providers within Surrey;
- Criminal Record Check and review is a requirement of all employees of FRAFCA.

Skills and Attributes:

- Knowledge of First Nations and other diverse cultures, traditions, and socio-economic barriers;
- Experience working with teenage clients;
- Ability to work effectively in a team environment;
- Excellent interpersonal communication skills;
- Analytical and observational skills;
- Basic computer skills (including Microsoft Office);
- Ability to multi-task;
- Desire to support youth to achieve their full potential;
- Self motivated
- Desire to work in a diverse team environment and cross-cultural setting.

How to Apply:

Please send your **Cover Letter** and **Resume** by fax, mail, hand delivery or email marked attention, at:

Email: hiring@frafca.org

SNAIL Mail: A101-10095 Whalley Boulevard, Surrey, BC V3T 4G1

Identify the position code (<u>Part-time Youth Worker</u>) in the subject of your email, fax, and cover letter.

We thank all that apply, but only those selected for interview will be contacted.

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis. Open until suitable candidate is found.

*****Pursuant to S. 41 of the BC Human Rights code, preference may be given to Aboriginal Applicants.