



YMCA-YWCA Employment Opportunities

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VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN INTERVENTION & SUPPORT SERVICES

Position: Housing Outreach Worker

Location: Y Women's Shelter

Compensation: as per BCGEU

Schedule: 40 hrs/wk Mon—Fri

Placement date: May 30 or soon after

Wage : as per BCGEU

Temporary full time—3 months

Job Description

Reporting to Director of Programs, the Housing Outreach Worker will assist women who have experienced violence or who are at risk of violence by providing services that focus on breaking the cycle of and preventing homelessness. The Housing Support Outreach will work collaboratively with the VAWISS shelter staff and community organizations. The Housing Outreach worker will assist clients by providing individualized support as needed to achieve their housing goals, helping tenants to maintain their housing and their ability to live independently.

Major Responsibilities and Abilities:

- To deliver services to women and their children using a trauma informed approach based on strong feminist principles and a thorough understanding of Violence Against Women and Intersectional Feminist Framework
- Intake & Assess need for housing, provide assistance with finding permanent housing
- To assist women with life skills needed to find, obtain and keep safe affordable housing
- To liaise with landlords and other community agencies to advocate on behalf of the clients
- To document and track housing information such as: financial records, landlord records, etc.

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Major Responsibilities and Abilities (continued):

- To create an atmosphere of safety which can include: connection women to other resources, in and out of community
- To develop individual goal plans and regularly review and adjust as needed
- To meet with supervision on a weekly basis and provide information needed in a timely manner
- Adherence to the YMCW YWCA Child Protection Policy

Qualifications:

- Female applicant will hold at least year 1 of Human Service Diploma, BSW or related Social Science Degree and/or related work experience
- Crisis work in the anti-violence field, specifically with women and families
- Previous experience in a Transition House, Shelter and/or housing supports
- Experience working with women living with mental illness, and/or substance use is an asset
- Response Based Training, Trauma Informed Practice, Reducing the Barriers, First Aid, and Mental Health First Aid an asset
- Knowledge on Residential Tenancy Act (RTA) along with other relevant legislation pertaining to housing
- Emergency First Aid Certificate with CPR

Competencies:

- Holds an understanding of the effects of violence on women, family and the community
- Commitment to the use of feminist principles
- Communicates in a thorough, clear and timely and efficient manner
- Critical thinking and confident decision making is able to work independently
- Create, modify and adapt as needed to meet the needs of the women we work with
- A satisfactory criminal record check must be received prior to starting employment
- Any successful candidate must be fully vaccinated for COVID-19

Application Process:

Please apply via email to leadership team:

Jesanne.Stanko@kamloopsy.ca
Y Women's Emergency Shelter
150 Wood Street

**Application Deadline: Friday
June 17th@ 12:00pm**

This position requires membership in the BCGEU