

FAMILY SERVICES of the NORTH SHORE Contract Position – 7 hours per week

Position: Indigenous Community Liaison & Parent Educator

Position #: 18-1199

Reports to: Manager, I hope programs

Location: I hope family centre, Maplewood (limited outreach to Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh

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Closing: Until Filled

The Agency:

Family Services of the North Shore is an accredited, not-for-profit, community based agency committed to making a lasting and deep impact on our community through counselling, support, education and volunteer programs.

The Program:

The Takaya First Nations Family program is a free learning program for Tsleil-Waututh, Squamish and other Indigenous families with children from birth to six years old. Families enjoy Learning Together Through Play (LTTP), song and story time and a healthy lunch. Adult time (with child minding) in the afternoons includes crafts, parent education, and group discussions.

The program runs on Tuesdays from 10:30 am - 3:30pm at the Maplewood location of the I hope family centre. The additional two hours per week are for outreach and will be flexible to meet the needs of the program and your own personal schedule. Additional casual hours as parent facilitator within our drop-in program may be possible, based on interest and availability.

The Job:

You are the face of the Takaya First Nations Family Program in the community and are responsible for recruiting Indigenous families to participate in the program. You will plan and coordinate weekly activities; co-facilitate the adult support and parent/child component of the program; coordinate lunch and snacks for participants; and support positive professional relationships with parents, caregivers and their children who use the Family Resource program.

The Candidate:

You have a certificate or training in community development, family support or parent education combined with a minimum of one year of experience working in a Family Resource Program, Aboriginal Friendship Centre or Mothering Program.

You have experience working with Indigenous families and knowledge and understanding of Indigenous/ First Nations history and culture and an understanding of the the process of reconciliation within a Canadian context. You have a demonstrated understanding of group dynamics and facilitation. You have excellent communication skills and are able to utilize social media as an outreach tool.

Preference will be given to those with Indigenous ancestry. Please self-disclose in your application.

Please respond, in confidence, with resume and cover letter to: Kathleen Whyte, Senior Manager of Human Resources, <u>careers@familyservices.bc.ca</u>