

We're Hiring!

**Posting:
A21840**

**Community Connector
Full-Time
(35 hours per week)**

**Child Care Resource and
Referral Program**

Options Community Services Society

We are a non-profit registered charity providing social services primarily in Surrey, Delta, White Rock and Langley. We believe in helping people help themselves. We believe in collaborating with individuals, businesses, community groups and government to create focused, effective and responsive resources for the community.

We envision a healthy community as a safe and clean environment where we all have a sense of belonging. It is a place where each of us has the opportunity to work and learn, and to develop and realize goals that are meaningful and fulfilling.

This position is responsible for providing support, education, access to resources and professional consultation on child care issues to parents, child care providers, early learning professionals and the broader community. They are actively engaged in the development and implementation of services to the community which will enhance the availability and quality of a range of child care options for families.

HIGHLIGHTS OF KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Through the provision of education and support, build the capacity of parents and child care providers/early learning professionals to support young children and their families in the context of early childhood development.
- Facilitates a variety of community connections with individuals working with young children and their families, provide resources, organize and mentor in order to support their work.
- Assists in the development, implementation and monitoring of recruitment, assessment, training and support strategies for child care providers.
- Maintains a working knowledge of child care services, community services, resource persons and a wide range of child care issues and initiatives, and dispenses this information for care providers, families and the community.
- Assists in the planning and implementation of special events, and represents the CCRR program and OCS in the child care and broader communities.
- Address parenting questions and concerns of families with young children and provide parent education to improve parenting knowledge, to build healthy parent- child relationships.
- Share culturally-responsive, developmentally-appropriate tools and resources; facilitate referrals; and offer practical ideas to help reduce stress for families and their children.
- Develop, present and facilitate public presentations to community partners, businesses and other networks. Facilitate access to CCRR resources

NOTE: Applicants not selected for an interview will not necessarily be notified.

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QUALIFICATIONS

Education, Training, and Experience

- Bachelor's Degree in the field of Early Childhood Education, and/or a combination of education and related experience.
- At least one year of Early Childhood Care and Education training or equivalent combination of education and experience with at least three years previous experience working with children
- Current Level I First Aid Certificate
- Class 5 Driver's License and use of a reliable vehicle;

Knowledge Skills and Abilities:

- Demonstrated success with collaborative program implementation.
- Proven experience with community development and mobilization.
- Outstanding written and verbal communication skills.
- Understanding of the current realities facing parents, families, and children aged 0-6 years in Surrey.
- Capacity and confidence in engaging a range of families and young children, representing immense linguistic/cultural/socio-economic diversity.
- Build connections with early learning programs to promote and enhance the availability and quality of a range of child care options for families.

Successful candidates will be required to provide a current and satisfactory Criminal Reference Check/Vulnerable Sector Search preceding your start date.

Applicants with lived experience are strongly encouraged to apply.

CLOSING DATE: June 21, 2021

PLEASE APPLY TO: Michelle Davies, Program Manager
Options Community Services Society

Email: Michelle.Davies@options.bc.ca

Please include a cover letter indicating the posting number [#21840] and detailed resume outlining your qualifications and related experience for the position.

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