

We're Hiring!



**Posting:
A21905**

Children's Activity Worker
Full-Time
(35 hours per week)

**Services to Access Resources
and Recreation**

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 requires union membership. Compensation is in accordance with Appendix A of the BCGEU Collective Agreement (School Aged Child Worker - Grid 9)

The Services to Access Resources and Recreation (STARR) program provides immediate supports to meet the needs of vulnerable children and their families. Our goal is to increase connection to school and community resources, promote positive social and emotional well-being, build awareness on personal strengths, support parents with community resources and encourage positive pathways. Our programming includes school-based leadership, after-school programs, spring and summer camps for children and youth aged 6-15. The STARR program provides supports in inner-city schools in the Whalley, Guildford, and Newton areas.

Under the direction of the Senior Manager, the Children's Activity Worker will provide social and recreational programming for Surrey inner city elementary school children and their families.

HIGHLIGHTS OF KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Collaboratively plan, organize, create, implement and supervise recreational, social and/or educational activities and programs designed to meet the needs of children/youth and their parents and/or guardians
- Establish a positive rapport and working relationship with children and parents/guardians while modeling positive, appropriate behavior.
- Assess basic needs of the children/youth and parents/guardians and promote, encourage and facilitate the participation of individuals in the program activities. Ensure and monitor participants emotional and physical well-being during program activities
- Identify recreational, social and/or other cultural activities which will facilitate children/youth and parent/guardian's disengagement from anti-social peers and activities, and support participation in such activities
- Liaise with other professionals, school staff and agencies in the community and represent the program and the Society in a positive manner. Create and promote a mutually beneficial and working relationship.

QUALIFICATIONS

Education, Training, and Experience

- A 1-year diploma/certificate in the social services field, with a minimum of 1-year experience in the recreation/education fields or an equivalent combination of education and experience.

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

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Options Community Services Society is an equal opportunity employer committed to hiring a diverse workforce.

- Class 5 B.C Drivers Licence and use of a reliable vehicle.

Knowledge Skills and Abilities:

- Current Level I First Aid certificate.
- Proven experience in creating and facilitating recreational activities
- Proven experience working with children 6 - 13 years of age in both small and large groups
- Demonstrated ability to develop program related reference and resource materials.
- Ability to work independently with minimum of supervision, set priorities, manage multiple tasks and meet deadlines.
- A thorough knowledge of child development, family dynamics, learning principals, and the effects of poverty on families.
- Awareness of, and sensitivity to, ethnic, cultural, physical, sexual, developmental and life style diversities.
- Ability to identify sensitive issues and maintain confidentiality.
- Demonstrated effectiveness as part of a staff team.
- Demonstrated proficiency in written, oral and interpersonal communication skills.
- Commitment to a problem-solving approach
- Excellent interpersonal and oral/written communication skills.
- Awareness of and sensitivity to physical, sexual, cultural, ethnic, religious and life-style diversities.
- Familiarity with common office computer programs
- A satisfactory criminal record check is required.
- Crisis Line experience an asset.

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: Resumes will be reviewed starting **August 31, 2021** but the posting will remain open until filled and will close without notice.

PLEASE APPLY TO: Noemy Rodas, Program Manager
Options Community Services Society

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Please include a cover letter indicating the posting number **[#21905]** and detailed resume outlining your qualifications and related experience for the position.

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