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## CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY WORKER

Posting Requisition	22222	Program	<i>Services to Access Resources and Recreation (STARR)</i>
Job Type	<i>Casual on call</i>	Location	<i>Surrey, BC</i>
		Closing Date	<i>January 31, 2023</i>

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

Options Community Services is 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.

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. This position is open to all qualified applicants.

### ACCOUNTABILITIES

- 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:

- Diploma/certificate in social services or related field.
  - Minimum 1-year experience in the recreation/education field.
- An equivalent combination of education and experience will be considered.
- Class 5 B.C Drivers Licence and access to a reliable vehicle.

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#### **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.

#### **SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS**

- Successful candidates will be required to provide a current and satisfactory Criminal Reference Check / Vulnerable Sector search preceding their start date.
- Applicants may be required to provide proof of Covid -19 vaccination.
- Applicants with lived experience are strongly encouraged to apply.

*\*An eligibility list may be maintained for up to six months. Eligible applicants may be offered a casual position.*

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**Please include a cover letter clearly indicating the posting number [posting #22222] and outlining your qualifications and related experience for the position.**