



## Victim Services Worker

### About DEWC

The Downtown Eastside Women's Centre exists to support and empower women and children living in extreme poverty in the Downtown Eastside of Vancouver. High levels of violence, homelessness, addictions and poverty characterize this community where women and children are particularly vulnerable to exploitation, injustice and injury. Through the Drop-In Centre and Emergency Night Shelter, we provide practical support to over 500 women and children daily to survive the conditions of ill health and violence that surround them.

### The Opportunity

The Victim Services Worker will work with women who live in the Downtown Eastside of Vancouver who are victims of crime. She will assist them to establish safety and support them in accessing the justice system. She will provide referrals, information, advocacy, and accompaniment to women to connect them to appropriate supports and or agencies. Reporting directly to the Specialized Services Program Manager, the Victim Services Worker will work in collaboration with other DEWC staff to promote integrated services to women. She will work from a feminist perspective and within an anti-oppression framework.

### About You

- ✓ You have at least 3 years experience working with low-income women, at least 2 years in direct victims assistance service work.
- ✓ You will promote and articulate the mission, mandate, philosophy, and values of the Downtown Eastside Women's Centre
- ✓ You have a strong working knowledge and analysis of the issues impacting women in the DTES, including violence against women, mental health, homelessness, and addictions and have an understanding of trauma informed practice
- ✓ You have a strong working knowledge of the Criminal Justice System
- ✓ You have excellent writing and research skills You have certification for First Aid, and NVCI

### Benefits of Joining the DEWC Team

**Healthcare:** extended health includes dental, vision, prescription medications, select alternative therapies, EAP life insurance and long-term disability.

**Vacation & Leave:** Vacation at 6% in the first year and 8% after. Sick leave credit Access to other special leaves to handle family or personal situations.

**For your Retirement:** Enrolled in the Municipal Pension Plan with a matching contribution from DEWC.

**Other perks:** Compressed work schedule, employee loan program; Regular staff development days; DEWC employees are considered first for any open positions.

### POSITION DETAILS:

- Start Date: ASAP / Permanent - Full-Time, 35 hours per week / 9 day fortnight schedule, Tuesday – Saturday
- Union (BCGEU) - \$24.23 per hour.
- Location – DEWC Drop-In
- Applications accepted until: Internal – June 24, 2021 / External – July 1, 2021 at 5:00pm

Submit cover letter and resume to the attention of: **Victim Services Worker Hiring Committee** ID#VS21-001  
via email [careers@dewc.ca](mailto:careers@dewc.ca)

**Aboriginal women and women of colour are strongly encouraged to apply / Additional languages spoken an asset.**

**\*\*While we thank all applicants for their interest, only shortlisted candidates will be contacted\*\***