

Indigenous Women's Project Coordinator Job ID#IWP302-002

About DEWC

The Downtown Eastside Women's Centre has existed since 1978 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. We work to provide security, basic needs and support to encourage women to make long-term changes by identifying and removing barriers to full participation in the larger community.

The Opportunity

The Indigenous Women's Project Coordinator will work with Indigenous women and Elders who access the Downtown Eastside Women's Centre facilitating their engagement pursuing the recommendations contained within Red Women Rising, Calls for Justice, and Getting to the Roots. The Indigenous Women's Project Coordinator will also plan, develop, and implement cultural, recreational, social and/or educational programs for Indigenous Elders that are consistent with the mission and mandate of the DEWC. Reporting directly to the Program Development Manager, the Indigenous Women's Project Coordinator 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 a strong working knowledge and analysis of the issues impacting Indigenous Women in the DTES, including gender based violence, homelessness, child apprehension, and addiction.
- ✓ You have considerable understanding and knowledge of historical and present day impacts of colonialization on Indigenous women and girls
- ✓ You will promote and articulate the mission, mandate, philosophy, and values of the Downtown Eastside Women's Centre and create positive relations with all stakeholders necessary in order to support DEWC objectives
- ✓ You have experience developing and facilitating social justice initiatives, programs, and groups including assessing and evaluating
- ✓ You have extensive experience in the development and facilitation of cultural, recreational, and educational activities
- ✓ You work from a feminist analysis and within an anti-oppression framework
- ✓ You have experience developing and facilitating programs and groups including assessing and evaluating
- ✓ You have efficient organizational skills including record keeping, scheduling, and problem-solving abilities

- ✓ You have demonstrated experience providing assisted referral as well as familiarity with support services, agencies and community resources in the dtes

Benefits of Joining the DEWC Team

Healthcare: Our extended health program includes, dental, vision, prescription medications, select alternative therapies, life insurance and long-term disability. We also have an Employee and Family Assistance program.

Vacation & Leave: You accumulate vacation at 6% in the first year and then 8% with the ability to carry over one week into the next year. We offer sick leave credit which can accumulate up to 30 weeks. 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: An employee loan program; Regular staff development days; DEWC employees are considered first for any open positions; Training and facilitation opportunities.

POSITION DETAILS:

- Start Date: ASAP
- Permanent - Full-Time, 70 hours biweekly /Monday –Thursday, Flex Sunday, 9 day Fortnight Schedule
- Union Positions: BCGEU / \$24.23 per hour + generous health and wellness benefits
- Location – DEWC Drop-In Centre, 302 Columbia St. Vancouver
- Application Closing Date: Internal- October 8 / External – October 22,2021

Applicants will be considered as applications are received

Please submit cover letter and resume to the attention of: **Indigenous Women's Project Coordinator Hiring Committee**

Reference Job ID#IWP302-002 email PManager@dewc.ca

***For Bona fide position requirements Indigenous women only will be considered /
 Additional languages spoken an asset.***

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