



## **Ottawa Street Soccer**

Looking for: Team Leader

About Ottawa Street Soccer: The goal of this grassroots program is to use sport as a form of social inclusion. Its aim is to engage and connect with marginalized shelter users and individuals that have been isolated and are on the fringes, using the positive power of sport to enrich and empower. Participating in sport has been proven to help empower individuals and allows them to (re)gain a sense of community and contribution that is often lost within this part of society. By bringing together individuals from diverse backgrounds in a space such as a soccer pitch, Ottawa Street Soccer seeks to create and reinforce positive life skills and relationships that can then be reflected and demonstrated both on and off the field. The team allows for public engagement as well as an opportunity to increase public awareness, and a more positive image about homelessness.

Currently Ottawa Street Soccer runs practices twice a week, and plays in a recreational league once a week.

### **Responsibilities:**

- assisting and coaching twice weekly evening practices
- bringing equipment (soccer balls, pilons, and water bottles) to practices
- being a positive role model
- running substitution lines and coaching when we play league games
- washing jerseys after we play league games
- coordinating tasks with other volunteers

### **Essential Qualifications:**

- believe in the ideas behind street soccer
- excellent inter-personal skills, compassionate, patient
- enjoy soccer
- coaching experience (or willingness to learn)
- ability to provide constructive feedback
- some experience (personal, academic, work related, etc.) in conflict resolution and de-escalation
- ability to work well in a team, both with players, and with other volunteers

### **Preferred Qualifications:**

- experience working with relevant populations

**Interested applicants are invited to submit via email an expression of interest which outlines how you meet our requirements and why you are interested in becoming involved with the team.**

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