

## **JOB POSTING**

### (External)

Peer Support is a naturally occurring, mutually beneficial support process, where people who share a common experience meet as equals. By sharing skills, strengths and hope, we will facilitate learning from each other on how to cope, thrive and flourish. The Peer Support Worker will work as a member of a diverse team to facilitate and support Outreach clients in achieving their goals. As a peer worker, you will utilize lived experience with mental health/addictions/homelessness as you support clients. You may be connecting with clients on an individual or group basis and will be expected to contribute to program development, research and life skills programming. You will report to the Coordinator of Women's Services and will need to provide services reflective of the diverse needs of the clients accessing Outreach

POSTING NUMBER: 2017-037

POSITION: Peer Support Worker – Women's Shelter

Hours: Flexible based on availability

Some evening and/or weekend hours may be required.

PAY RATE: \$15.00 per hour, non- union position

POSTING DATE: May 12, 2017

CLOSING DATE: May 26, 2017

#### **RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Complete required training (provided by Shepherds of Good Hope) including NVCI, First Aid, etc.
- Develop a work plan with your coordinator
- Connect with clients who are new to the shelter, as well as clients who have longer shelter stays
- Support clients in attending appointments
- Crisis intervention
- Facilitate group activities in the program as well as outings in the community
- Document interactions with clients in a clear, concise manner.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS**

- Personal experience with homelessness and/or mental health and/or addictions
- Knowledge of, and comfortable with people who use drugs, are homeless, experiencing mental health issues, involved with sex trade, and/or LGBTTQ
- Non-judgemental attitude towards people with different beliefs and values
- Punctual and dependable
- Interested in training opportunities

Applications can be found with the staff at this organization, or underneath this posting. Alternatively, you may submit a resume, though this is not necessary. Please submit applications/resumes to Leigh Stratton, Women's Services Coordinator at Shepherds of Good Hope in person Monday – Friday between 9am and 3pm at 256 King Edward (3<sup>rd</sup> floor), by email (<a href="mailto:lstratton@shepherdsofgoodhope.com">lstratton@shepherdsofgoodhope.com</a>), or by fax at 613-789-0888. Please include a fax cover stating that the application is to be directed to Leigh Stratton.

Shepherds of Good Hope is committed to being responsive to the diverse needs of our clients, residents, employees and volunteers, including those with disabilities. Please inform if you require accommodation through the hiring process, so that we can make every effort to meet your needs



# **Peer Support Worker – Job Application**

\*\*\*please fill out only the fields that are applicable to you (i.e. if you don't have a phone, it's okay to leave that field blank)

Full Name:				
Date of Birth:				
Gender (please circle):	Male	Female Other		Other
Phone:				
Email Address:				
Languages Spoken:				
Mailing Address				
Do you have a SIN number (please circle):		Yes	No	
working on it				

## Do you have lived experience with (please circle all that apply):

- Homelessness
- Sex work
- Substance use or addiction
- Mental Health
- 1. Why are you interested in becoming a peer worker? (use another page if more space is required)

2. Where did you hear about this job? (use another page if more space is required)
3. Do you have any related experience? (use another page if more space is required)
4. What is your availability? (use another page if more space is required)
5. Other comments: (use another page if more space is required)
This application will remain confidential — please submit this in person to Leigh Stratton at 256 King Edward, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, by email to <a href="mailto:lstratton@shepherdsofgoodhope.com">lstratton@shepherdsofgoodhope.com</a> or by fax at 613-789-0888. If faxing, please include a cover page indicating that it is going to Leigh Stratton.