

FOUR WINDS PROGRAM ABORIGINAL FOUR WINDS PEER LEADER

Parkdale Queen West is a registered charity and community-based health organization committed to improving the health of community members, particularly those at risk for poverty and discrimination. Our multi-disciplinary approach includes the provision of primary health/dental care, counselling, harm reduction, community development, advocacy, and innovative partnerships with other organizations. Parkdale Queen West is a leader in the development of inner-city health services focusing on the needs of homeless and street involved youth, adults and families. Parkdale Queen West is a pro - choice and LGBTTTQ and 2-Sprit-positive organization committed to employment equity and anti-discrimination. Parkdale Queen West is committed to a harm reduction and health promotion framework across our services.



Programme Overview:

The Four Winds program is housed at Parkdale Queen West and is focused on providing culturally specific Aboriginal supports and access to healing ceremonies, health education with a focus on diabetes, case management supports, access to primary care and harm reduction supports, and social recreation activities to build social connections and support. The program supports homeless and under-housed Aboriginal peoples to improve their stability, health, wellbeing and quality of life.

General Responsibilities:

- Assists with programme shopping, meal preparation and budget adherence.
- Assists in programme activities and in general programme agenda. E.g. supporting crafts, games, drumming.
- Assists with the traditional aspects of the program, such as taking part or leading the smudge and in the sharing circle.
- Attends meetings and skill-building workshops, including Health Promotion & Diabetes prevention workshops
- Assists in the planning and preparation of new programme activities.
- Supports participants in the programme and supports programme goals
- Assists in training and information transfer

Qualifications & Experience:

- First Nation, Inuit or Métis
- Willingness to work in a harm reduction program
- Gets along with people, doesn't judge and willing to learn.
- Volunteer or work experience an asset

This position is up to 2 years. There is a weekly peer rotation – 2 to 3 peers will work 3 out of 4 Fridays per month. There is a total of 4 Peer Leaders (subject to funding) the program is every Friday. 9 am to 2 pm, workshops and planning meetings are held throughout the year. Honorariums and TTC tokens are provided for all events.

How to Apply:

Let us know you are interested in applying: talk to Vivian

Send an email or drop a note with your name and how to reach you.

E-Mail: vrecollet@ctchc.com or **Call:** Vivian Recollet at 416-703-8482 ext. 2426

Deadline for applications: September 14, 2017.

The successful candidate will demonstrate a willingness to participate in Parkdale Queen West's commitment to becoming a discrimination-free health centre and an ability to work interdependently and respectfully in a multi-disciplinary team. Languages other than English are an asset. To better represent the communities we serve, applications from members of Indigenous peoples, racial or cultural minority groups, people with disabilities and LGBTTTQ and 2 spirit communities are encouraged to apply. Parkdale Queen West is committed to providing accommodations for people with disabilities. If you require an accommodation, we will work with you to meet your needs.

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We regret that only those to be interviewed will be contacted.