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VICTORIA RESOURCES SOCIETY

Indigenous Group Facilitator
August 2019 to March 2020
(possibility of extension with funding)

Peers Victoria is an peer based, grass roots organization for people in sex work or trade that has been in operation since 1995. Through direct service delivery and partnerships, Peers provides an array of outreach and drop in support services, advocacy and public education. We maintain an accessible service environment that promotes empowerment of current and former sex workers.

The Indigenous Group Facilitator is a limited term position to co-host an Indigenous group at Peers Victoria. The position is focused on co-facilitating a monthly group of 10-15 individuals who share a meal and engage in peer based support, cultural learning and sharing with the support of elders, knowledge keepers, artists and activists.

Reporting to the Executive Director, the Indigenous Group Co-Facilitator will:

Duties:

- Co-host monthly dinner and cultural learning meetings as well as longer workshops and events from time to time
- Collect and document feedback from group participants regarding learning priorities and meeting practices
- Work with co-facilitator to connect with community partners, cultural knowledge keepers and artists to support monthly meetings and workshops
- Assist with securing venues, event invitations, travel and lodging arrangements catering and other event planning details associated with larger multi site workshops (1-2 per year)
- Connect with other groups in Canada and Internationally doing similar work to share knowledge
- Assist with compiling and distributing knowledge emerging from workshops including written reports, statements, event proceedings, and visual representations (and share these documents with direction of participants)
- Prepare food and clean up as required following meetings
- Engage respectfully and collaboratively with program participants colleagues, & partner agencies
- Adherence to Peers' organizational policies
- Submit financial and payroll expenses on required forms

Skills and Knowledge:

- Education related to Indigenous Studies, Governance, Education or Wellness
- Knowledge of culturally informed event planning protocols and practices, taking into consideration most events will take place on Lkwungen (Songhees and Esquimalt First Nations) territory
- Group facilitation training or experience
- Knowledge of Indigenous perspectives on sex work/trade and social justice activism
- Preference is given to local Indigenous Lkwungen, WSANEC, Kwakwaka'wakw, Nuuchahnulth individuals and to those who have sex work or trade experience

Job details and certification requirements:

- 5 hours/week on average (some weeks may require more than 5 hours of service depending on event schedules, but time off between events is also possible to accommodate other commitments)
- There is possibility of joining casual lists for other peers programs upon training and given requisite skills
- Pay rate will be \$23-\$25/hr
- Criminal Record Check required
- First Aid/CPR, Naloxone Training, Food Safe an asset.

If you are interested in this group facilitation opportunity, please submit a resume and cover letter that summarizes your relevant experience and skills by August 30th, 2019 to peershiring@gmail.com,

Applications from individuals with direct experience in any aspect of the sex industry are especially welcome. We also encourage applications from, but not limited to, Indigenous people, people of color, people of diverse genders, sexualities and abilities.