

December 14, 2023

**Position Title**

Youth Peer Support Worker

**Position Type**

Permanent Part-Time

**Competition No**

FOU 2023 12 14 PSW1

**Closing Date**

January 5, 2024

**Wage**

\$17.90 per hour

**Hours**

30 hours/week

**About OneSky**

A progressive, not for profit organization, OneSky has been serving the South Okanagan Similkameen for over five decades. Guided by our core belief that we're all in this together, living under a single sky, our goal is to create a way forward for everyone. We champion and support individuals to reach their full potential, work to remove barriers and support individuals through a diverse range of services. OneSky values diversity, accessibility, respect, accountability, integrity, and collaboration.

We provide a competitive salary, comprehensive health and wellness benefits, a great pension (Municipal Pension Plan), and a supportive, collaborative, and fun work environment.

**About Foundry**

[Foundry BC](#) is a provincial initiative to expand access to mental health care, substance use services, primary care, social services, and peer supports for young people across BC through a branded network of "one-stop shop" centres. By bringing together a variety of health and social services under one roof and working in partnership with young people and families, *Foundry* helps young people get the help they need when they need it.

**Job Summary**

The Peer Support/Outreach Worker is a member of the Foundry Penticton Team and offers peer-based mentoring and emotional support by sharing information and a lived experience perspective to young people ages 12-24, and works collaboratively with youth, their families, allies, members of their care team and other service providers. Reporting to the Peer Supervisor, the Peer Support Worker plays a key role in getting youth connected to services. The Peer Support Worker must demonstrate the ability to relate, establish and maintain trusting relationships with clients and support their engagement and participation in centre activities. This

position assists with the delivery of peer-based services and is responsible for organizing and facilitation groups, events, and workshops for young people in Penticton.

## Skills, Knowledge & Experience

- Grade 12 plus recent, related experience working with youth or an equivalent combination of education, training, and experience
- Lived experience with mental health and/or substance use, completion of/eligible for completion of a recognized youth peer support training program, and willing to self-identify and share experience
- Computer skills, Microsoft teams, office, excel, PowerPoint and social media
- High degree of self-awareness and capacity to apply appropriate boundaries and maintain confidentiality
- Well-developed communication skills: ability to speak, listen, and write clearly, thoroughly, and professionally
- Empathic, compassionate with good listening skills and creative thinking

## Duties and Responsibilities

- Self-starter with a positive attitude able to advocate for self and others
- Ability to work independently and show initiative, as well as be part of an interdisciplinary team
- Ability to organize, prioritize and to work with confidence under pressure or in difficult circumstances
- Provides support, guidance, and mentorship for youth, and assists in sharing information on resources and service navigation
- Complete and maintain related records and documents.
- Attends and participates in team meeting, case conferences and Centre initiatives

## Other Requirements

- Clear criminal records check
- Valid BC Class 5 Driver license, a reliable vehicle and clean driver record
- Emergency First Aid and CPR
- Flexible work schedule

## To Apply

Quote Competition # **FOU 2023 12 14 PSW1** in the subject line and submit your resume and cover letter to [resumes@oneskycommunity.com](mailto:resumes@oneskycommunity.com).

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*We wish to thank all applicants for their interest; however only those selected for interviews will be contacted.*