

Community Connector

The Community Connector will work with the Community Social Worker and resident volunteers on community projects in MANCHESTER. As a Community Connector your role will be to engage with your fellow neighbours to build connections, identify local strengths and opportunities, and work on projects that serve your community.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

Relationship Building

- Build and maintain relationships with key community partners for the purpose of information gathering and identifying community needs (residents, community groups, Community Association members, faith leaders, service providers, etc.)
- Create opportunities for residents with lived experience to identify the barriers and challenges experienced in the community and explore local solutions
- Work with the Community Social Worker and independently to build relationships with residents in your neighbourhood, including diverse groups
- Organize and facilitate a variety of resident gatherings in the community to build trusting relationships and invite resident feedback (resident coffee meet ups, door knocking, existing community events, etc.)
- Act as a connection point for neighbourhood residents to share information about resources and services in the community
- Participate in and co-facilitate team meetings

Developing Community Initiatives

- Develop and coordinate resident-led and/or resident informed initiatives that respond to identified resident issues and interests
- Support and plan outreach activities to engage residents in dialogue to give community members a voice on issues that affect the community
- Collaborate with community members to create new, or strengthen existing, community-based events and activities
- Support resident volunteers with their community engagement ideas

Leadership Development

- Develop and mentor new community leaders, by finding and/or providing opportunities for growth and empowerment that increases capacity, participation or leadership skills in community initiatives
- Provide opportunities to learn and share knowledge and build skills among community members



QUALIFICATIONS

- Preference will be given to residents living in: MANCHESTER
- Police Information Check and Vulnerable Sector Search required
- Able to work and connect with people from all backgrounds
- Good oral and written communication skills in English, other languages are an asset
- Solid critical thinking skills
- Strong connections to/knowledge of existing community groups and services is an asset
- Understanding of community social issues and challenges is an asset
- Ability and desire to work flexible hours, including evenings and weekends
- Knowledge/experience in community development at the neighbourhood level is an asset
- Must be legally entitled to work in Canada

Please note the following:

- There are THREE (3) positions available
- This position offers 36 hours a month or about 8 hours/week for a 1-year term at a rate of \$26/hour
- This position offers flexible hours, but please note that depending on the week, daytime, evening, and some weekend work will be required

How to Apply:

- Please send cover letter and resume by June 15, to Christine Lee, Community Social Worker at Christine.lee2@calgary.ca
- Subject Line: Community Connector – 'Your Name'