**Kiwassa Neighbourhood House and EMPOW3R Employment Training Program for Survivors of Violence, Abuse and Trauma (SOVA/T)**

**Date: MAY 14, 2020**| EXTERNAL / INTERNAL JOB POSTING

**Position Available:** Trauma Counsellor – EMPOW3R Employment Program for Survivors of Violence, Abuse, and Trauma

**Location:** In-person\* or remotely by phone/on-line technology

\*In-person could be a mutually agreed public location or at the Kiwassa Neighbourhood House

We are looking for a Trauma Counsellor to join the EMPOW3R Employment Program, specially designed to support individuals who have experienced effects of domestic violence, sexual assault, war and conflict, and/or childhood abuse.

Ideal candidate possess RCC designation, and ideally possesses a minimum of one year experience working with the target client group described above. S/he should be technologically experienced, and approaches counselling with a social justice lens. Additional languages are considered assets.

**About Kiwassa Neighbourhood House**

Kiwassa Neighbourhood House is a grassroots, multi-service community agency that has been providing a broad range of free or low cost social services and programs to children, youth, adults, seniors and families in East Vancouver for 60 years. Kiwassa works in partnership with residents, community agencies, businesses, government and non-government organizations, using a community development and capacity building approach to identify and respond to community needs.

**About EMPOW3R Employment Program for Survivors of Violence, Abuse & Trauma**

EMPOW3R is a free employment program tailored for adults who have experienced violence, abuse or trauma and are looking to find meaningful & rewarding employment. EMPOW3R recognizes the impact of violence/abuse on all aspects of one’s life and aims to assist people to take charge of their own lives through access to opportunities that focus on personal healing while gaining skills for employment towards career development and financial success.

**Qualifications:**

* Requirement: M.A. (Counselling Psychology), M.Ed. (Counselling Psychology), M.S.W. or the equivalent combination of education and training
* Requirement: Licensed / Eligible for RSW, RCC or CCC designation
* Ideal candidate should possess a minimum of 1 year experience working with people who have experienced violence and trauma

**Responsibilities:**

* Provides individual intake, assessment, one-on-one counselling to clients of the EmPow3r Employment Program (occasional group-based counselling activities if a particular issue is relevant to more than one individual).
* Incorporates the central components of trauma counselling, emphasizing in particular safety and stabilization and return to work for the individual.
* Brings your creative energy to develop and deliver your counselling skills towards working with SOVA/T participants,
* Attends weekly case conferencing with EMPOW3R team of Career Development Practitioners
* Ability to work independently and collaboratively with the EMPOW3R team,
* Comfortable providing counselling work in different settings (in person, by phone, or online using ZOOM).
* Provides relevant and up to date counselling skills and solid knowledge base regarding intersectionality and violence
* Knowledgeable in relevant community resources to help provide appropriate referrals.
* Keeps up-to-date confidential documentation, client statistics, including group statistics, to be reported periodically;
* Uses peer supervision (AND possibly clinical supervision) to ensure the therapeutic approach matches the clients’ needs.

**Start Date:** ASAP

**Starting Hourly Rate:** $35.00; based on education and experience

**Scope of Work:**

* June 1, 2020 to June 1, 2021 (52 weeks)
* Maximum of 600 counselling hours (10 hours per client)
* Maximum of 104 case conferencing hours with EMPOW3R team (2 hours per week)
* Bi-weekly invoice submission of actual hours worked

**Application Dates:** Open until filled

How to apply: Please email your cover letter and resume to **honoriog@kiwassa.ca**