



Blood Ties Four Directions Centre has an opening for:

Coordinator for Outreach Van

The community Outreach Van is a partnership program between four community agencies that delivers health and harm reduction outreach services to underserved populations in Whitehorse including: people who are homeless or insecurely housed; people who use illicit drugs; people involved in sex trade and sexual risk taking behaviors; people involved in the justice system; and people with mental health challenges.

The Outreach Van Coordinator is responsible for the overall coordination and delivery of the van service. Key areas of responsibility include:

- Working on the outreach van two evenings per week delivering care and support services to underserved individuals in an outreach setting including: lay counselling, harm reduction education and support, opioid overdose awareness and education, advocacy, housing and health systems navigation and information, and other support activities.
- Connecting (bridging) marginalized street involved populations at risk who use the van services to appropriate daytime programs and services
- Coordinates the outreach van program, including:
 - facilitating communications between Van Management team and Outreach Van Workers;
 - managing the outreach van budget; monitors expenditures
 - monitors, tracks and responds to emerging issues in poverty, housing, mental health and addiction in the street involved community
 - sets agendas and coordinates Van Worker and Van Management meetings and identifies training and knowledge exchange requirements;
 - develops policies and procedures as needed;
 - supports outreach van workers from partner agencies to deliver high quality effective interventions for people at risk
 - represents the Outreach Van and its mission to the broader stakeholder community and advisory / stakeholder committees
 - builds relationships with the volunteer and business community who provide goods and service donations to the van program

Skills & Knowledge:

- Post-Secondary Education in the Social/Human and/or Health Services field
- Knowledge of and ability to deliver Harm Reduction programs; preferably experience in delivering harm reduction services
- Knowledge of best practices in working with underserved populations; preferably experience in delivering services to underserved populations

- Knowledge of lay counselling and short term crisis counselling in the areas of addictions, depression, suicide intervention in an outreach setting
- Understanding of Yukon First Nations histories and cultures;
- Thorough understanding of the social determinants of health;
- Able to advocate on behalf of underserved street involved populations
- Strong organizational skills
- Knowledge of Yukon social services resources (both governmental and non-governmental);

Conditions of Employment:

- Valid Yukon Drivers License;
- Current CPR and Standard First Aid certification;
- RCMP Security Clearance;

Is Blood Ties right for you?

We have a friendly community oriented work environment with a great team passionate about a common goal: reducing health and social barriers for vulnerable people. We care about our community and we care about our team. Some of our perks include a meaningful mission driven work environment, all the free lube and condoms you could ask for (we're a sexual health organization too!), great conversations about life, sex, and politics, dog and baby snuggles, drunk goggle condom training, a regular stream of sass from our friendly admin assistant, Rick Mercer quality rants on social justice issues, baked goods and unlimited Hummus, and a swearing friendly environment. Also... \$27.05 per hour based on a 35 hour work week, comprehensive benefits package, 4 weeks paid annual vacation leave, ongoing training, and professional development opportunities. Work hours are 2 evenings per week (6 to 11 p.m.) and 25 hours per week during the day time (Monday – Friday).

Learn more about Blood Ties: www.bloodties.ca

Is Whitehorse Yukon right for you?

Whitehorse is an exciting small city of about 25 000 people that hosts the capital of the Yukon. There is so much to enjoy about Whitehorse including beautiful summers, a vibrant art and music scene, the midnight sun and northern lights, and tons of outdoor activities year round. If you like history, there is much to discover about both Yukon First Nations and the Klondike Gold Rush. To top this all off, Whitehorse is connected by the highway network and serviced by three national airlines so the costs of living and traveling out of the territory is relatively low for a city in Northern Canada. Come and see for yourself why Whitehorse is called the 'Wilderness City.'

For more information about this position and the work of the Outreach Van, please contact our office by e-mail at executivedirector@bloodties.ca, by phone at 867-335-9067

Please apply by Friday November 16th