

Formerly Abbotsford Community Services

JOB POSTING #2023-04-01

INTERNAL/EXTERNAL

**Youth Resource Centre
Street Outreach Worker
Wage: \$26-28 per hour
Full Time - 35 hours per week
Temporary till October 31, 2023**

Provide outreach to street-entrenched youth and youth at risk of homelessness

**Join the team at Archway
Come Help Us Help People**

Location: Abbotsford

Onsite/outreach

Job Summary:

The Street Outreach Worker connects with youth referred to the Youth Resource Centre in the community, at schools, at their homes and ensures basic needs are met. The Worker provides assessment, planning and supportive interventions for youth clients moving youth from street entrenchment and homelessness to connection or reconnection with community and family. The Worker aids clients in establishing and achieving realistic goals; identifying, understanding and overcoming personal/family problems, reducing risk behaviors, building necessary pro-social, conflict management and life skills, transitioning to independence, or other relevant services. The Worker advocates on behalf of clients and collaborates closely with other service providers. Given current trends, it is expected that clients will primarily be female and at high risk of sexual exploitation.

Your Role:

Archway's Street Outreach Worker with the Youth Resource Centre contributes by:

- Ensuring youth's basic needs are met (food, shelter, medical attention).
- Supporting youth as they attempt to leave street involvement or support the youth and family to maintain the youth in the family home.
- Working with clients "where they are" to provide relevant meaningful change opportunities in their homes, on the street or in the Youth Resource Centre.
- Working with youth to recognize risks and developing safety plans to mitigate risks with the goal of decreasing risk behaviours and increasing resiliency.
- Assessing and developing service plans and interventions in collaboration with clients. Evaluating the effectiveness of the service plan and progressing towards goals.
- Acting as an advocate and actively linking with community service providers as well as the business community, faith communities, schools and neighborhoods to build positive connections for youth.

This position is a great fit for someone who can build rapport quickly, is a good multi-tasker and enjoys a fast paced environment

Our Offer

- Wage: \$ 26 to 28 per hour

- A full-time position at 35 hours per week, Monday to Friday with occasional evening work
- Start date: ASAP till October 31, 2023 (potential extension)
- Benefits include:
 - Employee and Family Assistance Program.
 - Online access to wellness resources.
 - Great in-house training opportunities.
- Build your experience in client-centered trauma informed youth work.
- Rewarding work in a positive team environment.

Getting an Interview – you will be considered if you have:

- Bachelor’s Degree in Social Work or a related field, or a diploma in a related field and 2 years’ experience.
- Experience providing services through a trauma informed and client-centered lens.
- Experience working with youth with high-risk behaviors, preferably in an outreach capacity.
- Knowledge of youth sexual exploitation, substance use and mental health concerns
- Knowledge of indigenous culture an asset.

The Job Requires you to have:

- Strong relationship building skills, able to build rapport and work with youth with high-risk behaviours.
- Strong crisis management skills, able to work effectively during crisis.
- Good organization, time and general management skills.
- Verbal and written communication skills, and active listening skills, able to communicate respectfully, clearly, and effectively with people from a variety of backgrounds and cultures.
- Strong knowledge of government and community-based programs and related provincial and community support systems.
- Excellent networking skills
- A satisfactory criminal record check is a condition of employment.
- A Class 5 BC Driver’s License and a clean driving record.
- A current first aid certificate is a condition of employment.

Closing date is March 28, 2023

TO APPLY

Interested applicants are to reference **Posting #2023-04-01 in the subject line.**

Please submit your cover letter and resume to:

Email: jobpostings@archway.ca

Subject: Job Posting #2023-04-01

No phone calls please. Only short-listed applicants will be contacted.

Must be legally entitled to work in Canada.

Your resume may also be forwarded to other Programs for their consideration for their job vacancies. If you do not wish for your application to be shared with other Programs, please send an e-mail to jobpostings@archway.ca with DO NOT FORWARD TO OTHER PROGRAMS, in the subject line of the e-mail and the job reference number to which you applied, in the body of the e-mail.

Archway’s goal is to be a diverse workforce that is representative, at all job levels, of the people we serve. Equity and diversity are essential to excellence. An open and diverse community fosters the inclusion of voices that have been underrepresented or discouraged. We encourage applications from members of groups that have been marginalized on any grounds enumerated under the B.C. Human Rights Code, including sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, racialization, disability, political belief, religion, marital or family status, age, and/or status as a First Nation, Metis, Inuit, or Indigenous person.

We invest in the mental health and wellbeing of our employees.