



JOB POSTING

Peer Housing Help and Health Navigator

6 Positions

6-10 hours per week

About Fife House

At Fife House, we believe access to secure and affordable housing is a key determinant of health and well-being of people living with HIV/AIDS. Our services must be provided in a flexible manner in order to meet the diverse needs of residents, clients and those that support them.

Project Overview

The Peer Housing Help and Health Navigator(s) will work directly with clients of Fife House's Homeless Outreach Program, and residents on in our two Transitional Housing Programs. Peer Housing Help and Health Navigator(s) will support clients in navigating the housing and health systems, in the City of Toronto. The team will focus upon making linkages to care and supports in the community, providing housing help/search supports, housing stabilization supports, and evictions prevention services. Peers will assist in on-going project planning, implementation, and evaluation in tandem with our multi-disciplinary team.

Primary Duties:

- Participate in Peer Housing Help and Health Navigator Training.
- Support client to attend housing and health related appointments in the community.
- Support connections and attachment to care-support- attendance to key medical, mental health and substance use appointments, take direction and work collaboratively with clients circle of care to meet care goals.
- Supporting attendance to housing viewings and meetings with landlords.
- Eviction prevention activities-support paying rent, accessing the rent bank or rental subsidy programs, support around hoarding and hygiene, connections to legal supports.
- Work with Fife Homeless Outreach Program staff, Case Management Staff, or other partner agency staff in developing goals and service planning for clients.
- Support clients accessing the emergency shelter system, respite and warming centres, and crisis beds.

- Support client attendance in accessing other services and appoints: HIV supports, income supports, food security, counselling, criminal justice, and social/wellness programs.
- Provide interim housing stabilization support to newly housed homeless clients; support with budgeting and shopping, connections to supports and resources in their local community.
- Attend monthly HOP Program and Peer Engagement Team meetings.

Qualifications:

- The Peer Housing Help and Health Navigator(s) will have lived experience navigating multiple Toronto based service agencies will be considered an asset.
- The Peer Housing Help and Health Navigator(s) will have lived experience (current or past) homeless/street-involvement considered an asset.
- The Peer Housing Help and Health Navigator(s) will have experience working with marginalized individuals, including individuals who use substances, individuals involved with sex work, individuals with experience violence and crisis.
- The Peer Housing Help and Health Navigator(s) will have knowledge of crisis intervention and skills training.
- The Peer Housing Help and Health Navigator(s) will have experience working with persons of diverse ethnic, cultural, racial backgrounds and sexual orientations, including people from Indigenous communities, homeless and under-housed people, individuals who use substances, sex workers and LGBTQ individuals.
- The Peer Housing Help and Health Navigator(s) will have the ability to carry out duties independently and as part of a team.
- The Peer Housing Help and Health Navigator(s) will have the ability to follow through on commitments and maintain professional boundaries with community members while working in a peer capacity.

Please send your cover letter and resume to Craig Boucher, Peer Engagement Worker at 490 Sherbourne St., 2nd Floor, Toronto ON M4X 1K9, or by email to craigboucher@fifehouse.org

Application deadline: February 15, 2019