



JOB POSTING:
FULL-TIME CHILD SUPPORT & SUMMER RECREATION WORKER
JUNE THROUGH AUGUST 2018 (3 MONTHS)

THE MISSION OF SONSHINE COMMUNITY SERVICES: Motivated by our Christian faith, our mission is to help women and children transform their lives. We envision a community where women and children live safely in healthy families

Since 1978, Sonshine Community Services has been providing care and support to families and individuals in need. Sonshine Community Services operates four main programs; the first Children's Centre of its kind in Canada which caters specifically to children who have been traumatized by domestic violence as well as other forms of emotional trauma, a second stage (one year stay) residential program for abused women and children escaping domestic violence, a Community Counseling program and a Family Day Home agency. With more than 35 years' experience, Sonshine Community Services has emerged as a leading social service provider for women and children fleeing family violence in Calgary and area. Throughout Sonshine's growth, the organization's consistent and primary focus remains on the women and children in its care. Staff and volunteers are very committed and passionate about Sonshine's work and the successful outcomes of its programs which clients have experienced.

PURPOSE OF THE POSITION:

This position provides child care support in both our Children's Centre and Residential Children's programs. The *Child Support & Summer Recreation Worker* also plans, organizes, promotes and delivers summer recreation programming/activities to children and parents in an atmosphere that is trauma-informed, play-based, attachment-focused, fast-paced, creative, collegial, dynamic, and collaborative.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Providing child care, support, guidance and supervision for children ages 19 months to 6 years in our Children's Centre and to children ages newborn to 13 years of age in our Residential Children's program
- Planning, organizing and implementing recreational activities (*both on and off-site*) for children ages 19 months and up inclusive of arts, sports, games, field trips
- Creating, planning, and maintaining a safe and healthy environment for all children and families
- Supervision and engagement with children and families
- Demonstrate a warm, caring and non-judgemental attitude towards children and their families

QUALIFICATIONS AND SKILLS:

- University or College/Post-Secondary Student (**returning to school in Fall, 2018*)
- Certified as a Child Development Assistant is an asset
- Knowledge of trauma-informed practice / trauma-informed care is an asset
- Knowledge in the developmental needs of children and the impact toxic stress may have on their development.
- Current First Aid/CPR (*or willing to obtain before start date*)



- Current (*completed in the last 6 months*) Criminal Record Check including Vulnerable Sector Search (*or willing to obtain before start date*)
- Current Intervention Record Check (*completed in the last 6 months, or willing to obtain before start date*) – formerly known as Child Welfare Check

EXPERIENCE:

- Understanding the effects of family violence/impact of trauma on children is an asset
- Experience working with children of all ages
- Strong organizational, time management and problem-solving skills
- Positive attitude, amiable and a team player
- Demonstrated initiative and creativity
- Effective communicator

NOTES:

- This is a full-time position, based on a 35 hour work week, Mondays to Fridays
- This is a STEP (*Summer Temporary Employment Program*) funded position
- This is a Term Certain position: June – August 31, 2018

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR RESUME AND COVER LETTER NO LATER THAN **MAY 11, 2018:**

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Sonshine Community Services is an equal opportunity employer. We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.