



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY **Cultural/Youth Drop-in Worker** **Contract Full Time to March 31, 2011**

“NCFST is an agency under the control of Toronto's Native community and is dedicated to the welfare of Native children and their families. The agency is both a child welfare authority (Children's Aid Society) and the source of a host of supportive programs including Early Years, Aboriginal Head Start, Children's Mental Health, Youth Services, Transitional Housing and Treatment and Healing. NCFST takes a holistic view of problems, builds on individual and family strengths, and engages clients as partners in service process.”

Position Summary

Under the direction of the Youth Manager, The Cultural/Youth Drop-in Worker will have the overall responsibility to provide direct service to Native youth experiencing problems that prohibit their reaching their full potential. The Cultural/Youth Drop-in Worker will provide support to frontline staff at the Youth Department and assist with the general delivery of drop-in services. This position will include providing referrals to traditional Aboriginal cultural resources pertinent to the needs of Aboriginal youth, assisting facilitators in the delivery of life skill and cultural work shops, mobilization of community resources pertinent to the basic needs of homeless and at-risk Aboriginal youth, and assist in the delivery of case management services for youth involved with the criminal justice system. The Cultural/Youth Drop-in Worker will ensure a full range of options are available to youth who are ready to take tangible steps towards achieving their potential. You will provide case management and group activities (circles) to youth in need of individual support such as crisis intervention, dispute resolution, and other supportive intervention. The successful candidate will participate in all camp activities and oversee the smooth running of the drop-in program. The Youth Worker will maintain accurate and up-to-date written reports as requested.

Qualifications

The successful applicant will have a high literacy in Aboriginal culture(s) and post secondary education in the Child and Youth Worker program or alternatively, an equivalent combination of education in a related field and experience working with Native youth will be considered. In addition, you will pass a police records check and understand the unique dynamics that exist within the Aboriginal, Inuit, and Métis cultures. Your flexibility and ability to work within a team approach to service delivery and with Native youth; excellent organizational, oral/verbal/written communication skills; initiative and respect for confidentiality provide you with unique characteristics that will bring success in this position.

NOTE: Please quote Competition # 10-07-02

Qualified Candidates may forward a detailed resume/covering letter by July 19, 2010 to:

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We appreciate your interest; however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

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