

## CRISIS COUNSELOR CASUAL

## **POSITION SUMMARY**

As part of a dynamic team in the Crisis Shelter and Residence, the Crisis Counsellors provide critical supports and services to women and their children residing at the YWCA Crisis Shelter. The goal is to aid the women in dealing with issues and connect them with community services for assistance when they transition back into the community.

**POSITION REPORTING:** Reports to the Director, Crisis Shelter and Residence

HOURS OF WORK: This position requires shift-work within a 24-hour rotating schedule.

**MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES:** Working as part of a collaborative team:

- Provide respectful and compassionate crisis counselling and support services to women accessing services;
- Intake and assessment of client assets and needs;
- Case coordination and client advocacy;
- Supervise the Shelter to maintain safe and comfortable environment for all residents;
- Provide referrals and liaise with other community resources;
- Maintain accurate and timely reporting as required;
- Provide support to Youth and Turning Points Program staff as requested.

## QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

- Bachelor of Social Work an equivalent combination of education and experience may be considered;
- Experience working with women and families in crisis;
- Experience working with clients dealing with addictions, mental health, domestic violence, homelessness and justice related issues;
- Strong verbal and written communication skills;
- Able to work independently but also contribute as part of a strong collaborative team;
- Broad knowledge and experience in working with Aboriginal communities is an asset;
- An understanding of, and commitment to, the philosophies of YWCA Saskatoon;
- First Aid and CPR certification;
- Criminal Record Clearance

## WAGE

\$21.04 per hour (Step 1 – Crisis Counselor classification wage grid)

This is a **casual Crisis Counselor position.** All are welcome to apply, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Candidates must be available for all shifts including days, nights, weekdays, weekends and holidays. **Please submit a cover letter and resume to** <u>kfisher@ywcasaskatoon.com</u> **Applications will be open until the position is filled**