

Dan's Legacy - Social Worker

Position Summary

Dan's Legacy is currently seeking a full-time, trauma-informed, and culturally sensitive Social Worker to work with youth at risk, ages 15 to 25 years old, in Metro Vancouver. Our Social Workers are a part of a 6-person team (2 Social Workers and 4 Youth Outreach Workers) that is linked to our core Counselling Program and our Intro to Cook Job-Skills Training Program. This position reports directly to the Youth Outreach Supervisor.

Duties & Responsibilities:

- Daily outreach responsibilities across the Lower Mainland including East Vancouver, New Westminster and Surrey
 - Comfortable completing 'street work', ie: recruiting youth for our job-skills training program "Intro to Cook"
- Work with a team of Therapists and Youth Outreach Workers providing counselling and wraparound services to our youth clients
- Help youth with basic needs such as obtaining income assistance, food security and housing
- Help youth open bank accounts, apply for ID and access health authority resources
- Liaise with community partners and other organizations to help our youth clients access other supportive programming
- Assist youth with appointments such as a doctors or Government appointments
- Manage and assist with client emergencies: overdose, self-harm, psychosis, etc.
- Receive and assess referrals as assigned by the Counselling Program Manager and other staff
- Performs other duties as assigned

Qualifications & Requirements:

- Must be double vaccinated against COVID-19
- A successful criminal record and vulnerable sector check will be required prior to the start of employment
- Valid BC Driver's License and a dependable vehicle is an asset
- One year experience working with at-risk youth is preferred
- An understanding and experience working in a trauma informed environment is preferred
- Bachelor's Degree in Social Work *required
- A valid registration with the BC College of Social Workers *required
- Strong administrative, time management, organizational, decision making and problem-solving skills
- Competency in Microsoft applications including Word, Excel, and Outlook

Interpersonal Skills:

- Attention to detail
- Organizational skills
- Problem solving skills
- Ability to work independently
- Adaptability & flexibility
- Teamwork & cooperation



- Dependability & responsibility
- Strong communication skills

About Dan's Legacy

Dan's Legacy provides trauma-informed and culturally sensitive counselling and life-skills programs to youth at risk in Metro Vancouver. These young people, aged 15 to 25, are at significant risk of overdose, self-harm, homelessness, and suicide. Dan's Legacy's Therapy and Outreach teams go directly to the youth wherever they are, there are no wait lists, and all the organization's services are free. In the past year, Dan's Legacy helped over 600 youth stabilize their mental health, and begin working towards their educational, employment and recovery goals.

Intro to Cook Description:

Dan's Legacy's "Intro to Cook" job-skills program provides clinically supported training to our youth clients to provide them with industry level culinary knowledge and skills. Dan's Legacy knows that at-risk youth need opportunities to not only maintain their mental wellness but also to grow and thrive in the community. The "Intro to Cook" Program is designed to provide youth with the training they need to work immediately in the hospitality and food service industry, or move on to further post-secondary culinary skills training, eventually obtaining a Red Seal Certification. The entire program operates under the clinical supervision of Dan's Legacy's Therapists, ensuring the youth have mental health counselling support before, during and after the training.

Counselling Program Description

Dan's Legacy's counselling programs are designed to meet the specific needs of this highly vulnerable group, with holistic therapy based on Cognitive Behaviour Therapy (CBT), Dialectical Behaviour Therapy (DBT) and Mindfulness principles, balanced with proper diet and exercise. When these youth cannot access counselling and life-skills support, they are at risk of developing serious and life-long mental health issues, chronic unemployment, homelessness, addiction, and death by suicide.

For more information about Dan's Legacy:

www.danslegacy.com

Come join our team! Apply now.

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Dan's Legacy is an equal opportunity employer, and we attempt to hire employees who reflect the diversity of our clients - Indigenous, Black, Hispanic, South Asian and LGBTQ2S+ people are encouraged to apply. We respectfully and gratefully acknowledge that our work takes place on the unceded, and traditional territory of the Coast Salish peoples.