

YMCA Employment Opportunity

Youth Outreach Worker

- Front line service delivery position with the YMCA Youth Gambling Awareness Program
- We offer a competitive wage, as well as membership benefits
- Full-time position; days, evenings and weekends required
- Please specify the position being applied for in the cover letter

QUALIFICATIONS:

- University degree, college diploma or equivalent in Social Sciences, Education or other related field
- Experience in the delivery of public health, prevention and awareness initiatives
- Experience with outreach activities and strategies
- Knowledge of addictions and harm reduction principles
- Experience in working with youth, sensitivity and knowledge in dealing with youth from different cultural and racial backgrounds and youth with special needs
- Understanding of principles of learning for both youth and adults
- Knowledge of gambling issues an asset
- Flexibility regarding assigned work hours
- Ability to work in an efficient manner with a high degree of independence
- Strong presentation and written communication skills
- Must have use of a car – there is travel throughout the Niagara Region
- Criminal Reference Check will be required upon hiring

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Deliver school based and community awareness sessions about gambling and problem gambling
- Deliver educational workshops for teachers, health professionals and other agencies/organizations working with youth
- Work with other organizations in scheduling, promoting and implementing the above activities
- Remain alert to trends in gambling and report them to the Program Coordinator
- Engage in brief interventions designed to ensure that a youth with problems gets connected to a service provider that can assist him/her
- Maintain up-to-date knowledge and connections with service providers who can assist youth with their gambling problems
- Maintain accurate records and statistics related to the activities undertaken and outcomes achieved and report them regularly to the coordinator

Please send a letter of application and a resume by

4:00 pm on Tuesday, September 9, 2008:

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Please indicate the position you are applying for in the cover letter, as well as where you originally saw the job advertisement.

About the YMCA of Niagara

The YMCA of Niagara is a values-based charitable organization, open to everyone, that is committed to providing opportunities through growth in spirit, mind and body.

Our YMCA is one of the most successful and fastest growing Y's in Canada. Three membership branches, 51 Child Care sites, 3 employment centres and 100 program delivery sites enable us to serve over 45,500 people in the Niagara Region.



YMCA of Niagara
We build strong kids,
strong families, strong communities.