

#### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

# Gwekwaadziwin –

# Seven Grandfathers – Live in Aftercare – Counselor

### **Program Description:**

The Gwekwaadziwin program provides a client-centered model of mental health and addiction treatment for youth and young adults. It will support a community of healthy young people working towards wellness, education, and economic prosperity for First Nations individuals and communities. Gwekwaadziwin's program meets the client on the spectrum of care, from stabilization through treatment, residential aftercare, outpatient aftercare and transition back into their family and community. It has two proposed age-appropriate streams serving youth from 13-30, ensuring that the needs of transition-age youth are addressed. The Four Directions adolescent program serves youth age 13-19. The Seven Grandfathers program is designed for young adults age 19-30. The Seven Grandfathers programs consist of three phases: Land Based Treatment, Live in aftercare, and Community aftercare.

### **Position Description:**

The Live In Aftercare Counselor will provide continued support to participants while they attend the Live In Aftercare portion of the Seven Grandfather Program. This residential setting supports participants as they continue their wellness and recovery journey and as they begin working, volunteering or pursuing educational opportunities. This position is for 40 hours a week comprising of both day and afternoon shifts.

# **Responsibilities and Duties:**

- Reporting to the Seven Grandfathers Team Leader
- Responsible for taking direction and implementing it to Live in Aftercare Programs.
- Continue to develop and implement model of care
- Responsible for liaising with land based and community aftercare programs
- Assist in development of client centered wholistic treatment plans
- Assist program participants in continuing there recovery via life skills, education, therapeutic interventions
- Responsible for liaising with community organizations
- Assist in implementation of research projects
- Responsible for completing duties to implement all Gwekwaadziwin programming

### **Qualifications:**

- Minimum requirement is a Bachelors in Psychology, Social Work, or related field with mental health and addictions training with preference given to Masters level candidates
- Preference given to an Individual of Anishinaabe ancestry with Knowledge and understanding of Anishinabek history, clan systems, protocols, etiquette, culture, traditions, and ceremonies
- Proven experience with management, program development, research, and outcome measurement,
- Experience working in Mental Health and Addictions field with proficiency in outdoor experiential learning, education, aftercare, and client centered models of care
- Demonstrated superior interpersonal and communication skills (both written and verbal)
- Ability to prioritize multiple responsibilities and projects
- Able to participate in outdoor and athletic programming
- Mature individual who is able to work independently with preference given to individuals living a traditional lifestyle and being on a life-long journey in traditional knowledge

### **Requirements:**

- Possesses a valid Ontario class 'G' driver's license in good standing with access to a reliable vehicle, able to obtain an 'F' class Driver's license with a preference given to those who already hold a class 'F' driver's license
- Ability to work outside normal business hours as required
- Must have a relevant Degree and 3 years work experience in Psychology, Social Work, or Health related field – with a preference for a designation with a regulatory college

**Salary:** \$ Commensurate with qualifications

Closing Date: September 18, 2019 - Noon

**To Apply:** Please submit a letter of application and resume with three written <u>employment</u> references, one from current/most recent employer and current Criminal Reference Check, Drivers Abstract, Copy of relevant Diplomas/Degrees. **Incomplete or late packages will not be accepted**. Please forward in a sealed envelope marked:

Gwekwaadziwin – Live In Aftercare - Counselor C/O Sam Gilchrist Executive Director Gwekwaadziwin Miikan P.O. Box 275, M'Chigeeng, ON POP 1G0

Complete Applications may also be emailed to samg@gwek.ca Please reference email: Live In - Aftercare Counselor- Application

We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those applicants under consideration will be contacted for an interview.