

CALGARY IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION VOLUNTEER POSITION DESCRIPTION

TITLE: Youth Mentor

DEPARTMENT: Family Services Department

REPORTS TO: Youth Mentorship Program

This program enhances intercultural understanding and provides youth with opportunities for personal growth and community involvement through one —on-one and group sessions. It is offered as a means to inspire youth to become engaged in their communities through a mentor/mentee relationship. All CIWA volunteers are required to provide a Calgary Policy Services security check.

SUMMARY OF POSITION

Volunteers support immigrant youth through a one on one relationship. Time commitment of one year, 1 to 2 hours, flexible days/evenings; plus 3 to 4 hours on a Saturday every month or two.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Support an immigrant youth through a one-on-one relationship
- Weekly individual mentor/mentee sessions
- Provide guidance and information to the mentee on Canadian culture and assist mentee with integration
- Assist mentee to build an action plan at the beginning of the month and plan activities that support social, academic and personal development
- Be a role model and a friend
- Build self-esteem, mutual respect and inter cultural understanding

STANDARDS OF PERFORMANCE

- Ensure that professional approach is aligned with CIWA values
- Demonstrate a high level of initiative and enthusiasm
- Maintain confidentiality at all times

QUALIFICATIONS

- Between 14 to 29 years of age
- Second language desirable, volunteer has lived in Canada for more than one year
- Superior English language and communication skills (speaking, reading, writing)
- Reliable, responsible, punctual, reliable, motivated, detail oriented
- Basic computer skills, ability to use Word, Excel, Email
- Interest in working with immigrant youth and willing to understand their cultural background
- Child welfare is required

If interested, please contact: Volunteer Program Direct line 403-517-8830