



Employment Opportunity
MOBILE ACCESS PROJECT (MAP)
Driver/Peer Support Worker, Relief

The Mobile Access Project (MAP), operates seven days a week from 10:00pm to 6:00am, providing mobile services for women sex workers in the Vancouver area. MAP provides the following services:

- A place of respite and safety from violence
- Resource and referral information
- Harm reduction supplies
- Crisis intervention
- Overnight response
- Basic first aid services
- Personal support and outreach

Duties and Responsibilities: Driver/Peer Support Worker, Relief

Working under the direction of the MAP Project Coordinator, MAP Drivers and Support Workers have core responsibility for the care and control of the van while on shift. MAP Drivers and Support Workers work directly with team members while engaging with sex workers to provide a safe and respectful environment. Drivers and Support Workers work on a nightly basis in a fast paced, team-centered environment and will:

- Work and communicate with all MAP van staff to ensure MAP operates safely
- Work directly with sex workers to ensure their safety
- Assist with basic first aid needs as required
- Directly contact police and emergency services as needed
- On request, provide clean needles, condoms and other supplies
- Track supply needs and convey requirements to the Project Coordinator
- Maintain the cleanliness of the van with co-workers
- Attend monthly staff meetings
- Assesses and meets immediate support needs of sex workers

- Builds relationships with sex workers over time
- Make referrals relevant to other agencies and supports that may be beneficial
- Other duties as required

Qualifications:

- Experience working in the Downtown Eastside of Vancouver or similar community.
- Experience working with Aboriginal peoples and knowledge of the legacy of colonization and the Residential School system.
- An understanding of the needs and challenges of women involved in street level sex work.
- A demonstrated ability to support vulnerable women while maintaining strong personal boundaries.
- A commitment to providing a healthy and safe space for women.
- Familiarity with resources useful for women working in the sex industry, particularly in the areas of housing, emergency medical care, detox and addictions services, and counseling.
- Experience in the sex industry is considered an asset.
- At least a class 5 driver's license with a clean driving record.

Remuneration:

This position is remunerated at \$17.00/16.00 per hour for 7.5 hours per day on days scheduled for work. There will be a 150 hour probation period during which you will receive feedback from the Program Coordinator. If you successfully complete your probation, you will qualify for incremental pay increases based on number of hours worked.

Employees are entitled to benefits after six (6) months of employment providing they consistently work a minimum of 20 hours per week. Vacation entitlement is based on British Columbia Employment Standards provisions of 4%. In keeping with BC Employment Standards, shifts are from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. with one half-hour un-paid meal break to be taken within the first 5 hours of the shift.

A criminal record check is required of all staff but will not affect your ability to be employed on the MAP van, with very few exceptions. The criminal record check is required by the primary funder of the MAP van and anyone with a criminal record should not be held back from making an application for the position.

Please apply by submitting a resume and short cover letter.

We encourage Aboriginal women and self-identified women from diverse backgrounds to apply for this position.

Deadline for applications: May 18, 2017

Please apply using one of the following options:

By email: mobileaccessproject@hotmail.com

By mail: Mobile Access Project
 334 Alexander Street
 Vancouver V6A 1C3

Drop-Off: to the address above.

We appreciate all who apply, however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.