



## **Yaffa Housing - Mental Health Support Worker**

### **Position Summary**

As a Mental Health Support Worker at JFS, you will be a member of the mental health team that follows the positive behavioural support plans to provide psychiatric and physical care for individuals admitted to Yaffa Housing.

### **About Us**

JFS has been enhancing the quality of life for individuals and families in the Lower Mainland for over 80 years. Our mission is to provide essential supports fostering the social, physical and emotional wellness of individuals and families most in need. Join us to make a meaningful impact by proactively addressing challenges, embracing change, and uplifting lives

Yaffa House is a Jewish group home and center for adults with mental illness, located in Vancouver, British Columbia. The uniqueness of Yaffa House in British Columbia is that it provides care, opportunity, and support within the context of Jewish values and practice. The intent of the Society is to maximize the individual potential, growth, personal fulfillment, and independence of its residents, as well as provide a centre within the Jewish community for mental health education, recreation, and support.

### **Compensation**

This is a part-time position, 16 hours per week; 4 hours/day on Saturday/Sunday/Wednesday/Thursday; 2:00pm-6:00pm. Salary is \$22.00 per hour.

### **Duties and Responsibilities**

Reporting to the Manager of Care Services, the Yaffa Housing Mental Health Support Worker will be responsible for:

- Carrying out established psychosocial rehabilitative programs to address patient needs by implementing, actively participating in, and evaluating therapeutic programs
- Implementing individual program plans and corresponding psychosocial rehabilitation intervention strategies such as: cooking programs and community outings
- Identifying patient strengths, limitations and functional levels for specific program involvement
- Working with team members in the regular evaluation of programs and modify or change as needed
- Completing rehabilitation assessments by regularly noting progress and concerns in patient charts
- Working with team members to adjust treatment plans to reflect patient progress.
- Working collaboratively with other colleagues and team members
- Ensuring the safety and security of staff, clients and the general public during all planned activities.
- Driving clients to designated locations by operating the passenger van. Assist clients with embarking and disembarking the vehicle
- Conducting vehicle inspections; clean interior and exterior of vehicle after use; and maintain records of distance traveled, gas expenditures and inspections. Recommend vehicle and equipment repairs as required

### **Requirements and Qualifications**

- Completion of Grade 12



- Post-Secondary training and satisfactory completion of Health Care Support Worker certificate, or relevant program are required
- Minimum 1 year of experience working with clients in a related field
- Current Occupational First Aid Level 1 Certificate required
- A Class 5 driver's license and satisfactory driver's abstract is required
- Suitability is assessed on the basis of an applicant's physical and emotional health, educational background, life experiences, and ability to work with others
- The health and safety of our team and communities is paramount to JFS and Yaffa Housing. Accordingly, we require anyone joining our team to provide proof of full COVID-19 vaccination

**Start Date**

January 2022

**To Apply**

If you are qualified and interested in this opportunity, please email a cover letter and resume to Rachel Shanken, Director of Operations at [jobs@jfsvancouver.ca](mailto:jobs@jfsvancouver.ca) subject "Yaffa Mental Health Support Worker" by January 7, 2022. Applications will be considered on a rolling basis. Please note that only qualified candidates considered for an interview will be contacted.

*JFS is an equal opportunity employer. All applicants will be considered for employment regardless of race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, or disability status.*