



## COMMUNITY CONNECTOR

### Role Overview

Are you an experienced geriatric professional who is passionate about supporting seniors to live at home as long as possible? This is an exciting opportunity for an individual who is eager to uplift the community's well-being.

The Community Connector is a new role for JFS. JFS is part of the inaugural cohort of the Community Connector program, which is an addition to our already existing partnership with the United Way Healthy Aging Program for Seniors. The Community Connector program will work in collaboration with our Better at Home program and will provide community connections for vulnerable seniors living in Kerrisdale, Oakridge, Marpole, Dunbar and Southlands. Reporting to the Better at Home Senior Coordinator, the Community Connector will play an integral role in bridging the gap between healthcare and social care.

JFS supports and empowers over 3,000 community members annually. Join our dedicated team of professionals and make a difference. As an equal opportunity employer, we are committed to creating an accepting and inclusive environment for all.

### What You Will Do

#### Community Development

- Build and maintain networks within community and strengthen relationships within the community-based senior serving sector
- Use an asset-based community development approach to identify and mobilize individuals and organizations providing and supporting older adults

#### Assessment and Management of Referrals

- Connect, liaise, and establish partnerships with local health care professionals
- Maintain an active caseload of seniors with short-term needs through referrals
- Complete intake processes to determine challenges, needs and risks related to health aging and develop routines, structures and resource referrals to reduce risk of frailty
- Supports seniors to access appropriate range of activities and suitable community resources by developing individual wellness plans

### What You Will Bring to the Job

- Undergraduate degree in social work, gerontology or related experience in social services setting/health care setting; BSW preferred
- Minimum two years' experience working with seniors
- Excellent written and oral communication skills and ability to clearly explain instructions
- Knowledge of community resources, programs and services
- Valid drivers license and access to vehicle an asset



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### What You Will Receive

- Competitive salary in the non-profit marketplace. The salary range for this role is \$54,600 for a full-time position; 35 hours per week
- Competitive benefits package including generous paid time off, sick days, health and dental benefits, as well as RRSP matching and hybrid work environment
- An opportunity to hone your skills and gain experience
- A chance to contribute in a meaningful way to making a difference in the lives of our clients and community
- A diverse and inclusive working environment

### What We Do

Lives uplifted, a world repaired. In pursuit of our mission to support the social, physical and emotional wellness of all people, JFS has been enhancing the quality of life for individuals and families in the Lower Mainland for over 80 years. Join us to make a meaningful impact by proactively addressing challenges, embracing change, and uplifting lives.

JFS Values are in our Core: We welcome everyone • We honour the individual journey • We are courageous and creative • We take pride in our work • We care deeply about people • We treat everyone with dignity and respect•

### Vaccination Policy

JFS requires that all employees and volunteers are fully vaccinated against COVID-19. Anyone hired after January 1, 2022 will be required to show evidence that they have received at least one dose of the vaccine prior to employment, and we will require that they be fully vaccinated within 30 days of their start date.

### Next Steps

- Submit your cover letter and resume to [jobs@ifsvancouver.ca](mailto:jobs@ifsvancouver.ca) with "Community Connector" in the subject. Please note only applications with a cover letter and resume will be considered
- Applications will be accepted through **March 27, 2024**; applications will be considered on a rolling basis
- We hope to have someone in place by **April 2024**

If you have questions, please reach out to Rachel Shanken, Director of Operations – [rshanken@ifsvancouver.ca](mailto:rshanken@ifsvancouver.ca)