



Child & Teen Bereavement Coordinator Langley Hospice Society

Langley Hospice Society, a community-based, non-profit organization, provides compassionate support to help people live with dignity and hope while coping with grief and the end of life.

The successful applicant will be working with children and teens who are dealing with grief and loss issues.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Assess children and teens for support group participation and/or other services as appropriate; ensuring parental consent and follow-up
- Organize and facilitate support groups
- Liaise with family/guardians and provide support as required
- Provide outreach support to the community
- Liaise with school counsellors and teachers to ensure educational resources on grief and loss are available
- Provide classroom education on grief and loss issues in collaboration with counsellors and teachers
- Implement volunteer facilitator training for the children/ teen's program including support and supervision
- Coordinate an annual week-end Grief Camp for children and teens, including the training of volunteers and recruitment of appropriate facilitators
- Collaborate with staff and/or volunteers in the planning and implementation of programs and events
- Collaborate with other Hospice Societies (Bereavement Support Programs) to ensure best practices

Qualifications:

- A relevant professional degree and/or comparable combination of education and experience
- Additional education/training and experience in hospice palliative care an asset
- Certification in a form of play therapy a definite asset
- Must maintain a valid BC Driver's License and have access to a vehicle

Skills and Abilities:

- 3 – 5 years experience working with children and teens
- High level of diplomacy, discretion and confidentiality as well as the ability to interact effectively with staff, volunteers and the public
- Caring and compassionate
- Excellent written, oral and interpersonal skills
- Dependable, flexible and efficient
- Strong computer skills
- Ability to work well both independently and as a team player
- Some evening and week-end work required

This position is a 0.8 FTE (30 hours weekly).

No phone calls please – forward resume by fax or e-mail by **February 6, 2012**. While all applications are appreciated, only those short-listed will be contacted.

Job Contact Information

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