

Community Disability Support Worker job in Slave Lake, AB Slave Lake, AB

3 positions: (1) Full time 40 hrs/wk & (2) Casual/On-call relief
Shift work including possible evenings and weekends
Regular rate: \$19.72 – \$21.30/hr

Our Organization: At WJS Canada, our goal is to help people with disabilities become active, empowered and involved in their communities. We offer a wide range of local programs and services that encourage inclusion and participation. We help individuals face challenges including developmental disabilities, acquired brain injury, FASD, autism, and dual diagnosis. Our passion is to improve lives and develop life skills.

The Location: Slave Lake is a small town in northern Alberta about 200 km northwest of Edmonton and a similar distance southwest of Fort McMurray. It is located on the southeast shore of Lesser Slave Lake. For more information visit <http://www.slavelakeregion.ca/>

The Programs:

The Full time Community Disability Support Worker job in Slave Lake, AB will work 2 days/wk at the NorthEast House and 2 days/wk at the Day Support Program.

Northeast House is a lifetime home in Slave Lake for 2 older women with developmental disabilities who live with a variety of needs that require support. We provide community access supports so they can participate in community activities plus we host recreational and leisure activities in the home including cards & board games, movies, pot luck dinners, BBQ and parties. These recreational and life skills opportunities are a key part in helping our residents increase their sense of identity and self-esteem.

Slave Lake - Day Services program provide opportunities for adults with developmental disabilities to participate in their community and enjoy a range of leisure activities. Day services are a community-based mix of employment preparation and community involvement. We offer one-on-one and group services operating from agency resources, in the home or in the community. WJS Staff ensure that high needs individuals with special health, behaviour, safety and nutrition requirements meet their health and community support appointments and those families are involved whenever possible.

The program focuses on empowering adults with developmental disabilities including FASD to be independent, self reliant and confident while providing advocacy services and mentorship. WJS staff use the comfort of the community environment as a landscape to mentor and teach life skills including communication skills, coping with emotions and change, budgeting, household management, sexual health, boundaries and self care, relationships, self expression, social skills, coping tools, community awareness, personal safety and much more. We promote inclusion in community activities involving artistic, educational, recreational programming and participation in the volunteer sector. This includes linking individuals to community support services and employment coaching, such as resume building or job searches.

The Position: Activities and programs are both community and home based. Volunteer, health, safety education and other activities enhance quality of life and grow independence. Support includes:

- Developing and maintaining self-help and self-care skills.
- Developing the ability to interact with others, making one's needs known and responding to instructions.
- Developing community integration skills such as accessing community services.
- Behavior management to help improve behaviors.
- Developing social and recreational skills.

***** Prior to confirmation of employment all applicants must provide a current (within 3 months) Criminal Record Check and Ministry Check. These checks can take up to 6 weeks to obtain, prepare accordingly.**

As an ideal candidate you possess:

- Minimum Grade 12; Prefer Certificate/Diploma in Disabilities Studies, Education, Social Work, Human Services or equivalent
- 1 year experience working with individuals with developmental disabilities.
- Valid class 5 driver license with clear driving abstract and reliable vehicle
- Valid First Aid/CPR Certificate
- Training in Abuse Protocol, Medication Administration, Proactive Procedures and Behavioural Strategies, Crisis Prevention Intervention Foundations and Disabilities
- Excellent verbal, written communication skills
- Team player, capable of working without direct supervision
- Patient, motivates others and is a positive role model.
- Ability to lift and transfer.

Closing Date: June 26, 2017

Competition #: **SL-344-DSW** (please quote on cover letter or resume)

To apply for the Community Disability Support Worker job in Slave Lake, AB please submit a cover letter & resume to Lisa LaForge – Program Director

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