

Social Worker – Housing

***This position is currently working remotely due to the pandemic**

Job Details

Position Type:

12 month contract

Work Hours:

35 hours per week,
potential evenings

Reporting To:

Manager, Family Services

Classification:

Social Worker II (40-2) or
Social Worker III(40-3)
(Bargaining Unit)

Salary Range:

\$61,000 – \$92,000
Based on Experience

Location:

Central Branch
4600 Bathurst St.
Toronto, ON M2R 3V3

Posting Date:

December 17, 2020

Internal Closing Date:

December 23, 2020

Anticipated Start Date:

February 2021

About The Agency

Jewish Family and Child Service is a multi-service, client-centered, family service agency and a Children's Aid Society. We support the healthy development of individuals, children, families, and communities through prevention, protection, counselling, and education and advocacy services, within the context of Jewish values.

About the Role

We are seeking a **Social Worker – Housing** to provide services related to accessing safe and affordable housing and homelessness prevention programs. The successful candidate will provide support and counseling to clients to help them develop life skills, social skills, and other competencies that will enable them to secure and maintain housing, as well as introduce clients to a variety of available affordable housing options.

Responsibilities:

- Provide individual, family, or group housing related counselling to clients using a range of appropriate methodologies and techniques to best meet client needs.
- Develop ongoing referral relationships within relevant community service providers and social services systems.
- Carry a caseload of clients with issues related to, housing and mental health.
- Formulate and develop appropriate housing and intervention plans.
- Acquire and maintain an up to date knowledge of community and government resources and changes which would affect Agency clients in particular related to housing.
- Liaise with other agencies focusing on issues of homelessness.
- Assist clients to gain an understanding of issues involved in gaining and maintaining housing so that they do not become homeless.
- Perform other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

- BSW or MSW
- Registered member of OCSWSSW in good standing
- 2-3 years of experience in assessment and client service delivery
- A degree of fluency in the area of landlord/tenant disputes
- Fluency with housing and utilities assistance programs
- Familiarity with Housing First and other homelessness prevention theories
- An understanding of adult mental health and effectively providing support
- Knowledge of community needs and resources
- Ability to establish rapport, credibility and build strong relationships with clients and colleagues
- Valid Ontario Driver's License and access to a vehicle
- Comprehension of French or another language reflecting the local community will be considered an asset

If you are interested in applying for this position, please submit your résumé and cover letter by visiting the Career Opportunities page at <https://www.jfandcs.com/jobs>.

Jewish Family & Child is committed to the principle of equal opportunity in employment. Accommodations during all phases of the hire process will be made wherever possible. Please advise us if any accommodations are required.

We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those considered for an interview will be contacted.

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