

## Social Worker – Seniors Poverty Reduction Counselling

**\*This position currently works remotely due to the pandemic**

### Job Details

**Position Type:**

12 month contract

**Work Hours:**

35 hour work week,  
potential evenings

**Reporting To:**

Manager, Family Services

**Classification:**

Social Worker III (40-3)  
(Bargaining Unit)

**Salary Range:**

**MSW:** \$69,000 to \$92,000  
Based on Experience

**Location:**

Downtown Branch  
365 Bloor St E, Suite 1904  
Toronto, ON M3W 3L4

**Posting Date:**

December 17, 2020

**Internal Closing Date:**

December 23, 2020

**External Closing Date:**

Until filled

**Anticipated Start Date:**

February 2020

### **About The Agency**

Jewish Family & Child 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 – Seniors Poverty Reduction Counselling** to provide direct counselling, case management and other services to senior clients using appropriate techniques and methods of social work practice.

### **Responsibilities:**

- Provide clients with basic financial literacy and budgeting supports through poverty reduction methodologies
- Formulate and develop client-centred service plans including crisis interventions, internal agency responses and referrals, etc.
- Provide individual, family, and/or group counselling to client(s) using a range of appropriate techniques, including psycho-social assessments of individuals and families and those who are living with, or who have lived with, complex mental health concerns, and poverty.
- Work within the poverty reduction program to support vulnerable clients by completing assessments and setting goals for client's financial abilities to help them understand financial management.
- Deliver empowerment, advocacy, and problem solving supports to help clients navigate complex financial systems.
- Facilitate coordination of services which includes the provision of information, advocacy, and referral to both internal and external resources.
- Liaise with professional and community staff to provide support services in line with the case management plan.
- Organize client-related documents, records, and data collection for internal and external reporting purposes.
- Perform other duties as assigned.

### **Qualifications:**

- MSW or equivalent
- Minimum 3 years related clinical experience
- Poverty reduction service delivery knowledge and experience
- Clinical case-management and financial literacy knowledge
- Knowledge and understanding of Seniors pensions and government benefits
- Knowledge of and experience working with geriatric mental health and poverty, housing supports, LHIN and LTC
- Experience working with Jewish seniors who have been impacted by the Holocaust is an asset
- Member of OCSWSSW in good standing
- Good judgement, initiative and resourcefulness are required
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Fluency in Russian, Yiddish and/or Hebrew an asset
- Comprehension of French or another language reflecting the local community will be considered an asset
- In home visits may be required.

**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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