



Job Posting: Youth Team Lead

ABOUT THE STOP:

The Stop Community Food Centre is at the forefront of dignified, innovative programs that provide access to healthy food; build skills, health, hope, and community; and confront the underlying issues that lead to poverty and hunger. Firmly rooted in the Davenport West and St. Clair West communities of Toronto, our programs include drop-in meals, a food bank, community kitchens and gardens, perinatal and family support, and civic engagement. As we mark our 35th year as an organization, it is not without a certain ambivalence. Thirty-five years of working on poverty is hardly cause for celebration. But 35 years of working to build community, understanding, and connection, and challenging ourselves and the systems that breed inequity, is more than a legacy. It is a way forward.

THE OPPORTUNITY:

The Stop Community Food Centre has had a long history of running excellent youth programs in the Davenport Perth and St. Clair West- Christie communities. The Youth Team Lead will have the opportunity to build on past successes and strengthen existing youth programs in communities we work with. Reporting to the Green Barn Manager, the successful candidate will be responsible for developing, coordinating and leading the various Stop Youth Programs. The candidate will work in collaboration with program coordinators, volunteers and partner agencies, to engage youth participation in The Stop Community Food Centre's programs. We are looking for someone committed to social justice, experienced and comfortable working in a non-profit setting, and ready to join our passionate and vibrant team.

KEY DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Coordinate all aspects of The Stops Youth Programs, including Food Leadership for Youth
- Support and strengthen existing youth programming, integrating programs across all sites
- Train and supervise youth worker, volunteers and youth interns
- Develop best practices and policies for working with youth ages 14-29
- Outreach, build and maintain excellent relationships with partner agencies
- Develop innovative tools and resources for working with youth
- Create engaging, relevant curriculum using Theory of Change, Strategic Objectives and ARAO policy
- Build leadership opportunities for youth participants
- Collaborate with program staff to engage community members in youth programming and cross program opportunities

QUALIFICATIONS & SKILLS:

- Relevant post-secondary degree, or equivalent experience, preferably in education or social services
- Minimum 3-4 years' experience working in a social service environment and facilitating youth programs
- Experienced in building partnerships, program development and curriculum development
- Demonstrated experience working from an anti-racist and anti-oppressive perspective with youth from diverse, marginalized communities including
- Knowledge and understanding of best practices in working with youth between the ages of 14-29
- Knowledge and practical experience with growing and preparing food
- Adept at communicating effectively with a variety of stakeholders
- Knowledge of and experience with food justice issues and programs an asset
- Ability to speak a language relevant to the neighbourhood is an asset (e.g. Anishnaabe Moen, Kanienke, Cree or other First Nations, Metis, Inuit languages; Cantonese, Mandarin, Portuguese, Spanish, Vietnamese, Tagalog, Arabic)
- Certification in non-violent crisis intervention or CPI, Food Handlers and First Aid are assets
- A current Vulnerable Sector Screening check

Start date: December 4th, 2017

Salary range: \$50,000 - \$57,000 + benefits package

Hours: 37.5 hours per week

Qualified candidates are invited to submit a cover letter and resume through the [Charity Village posting](#) by October 20th at noon. No faxes, emails or phone calls please. Interviews will take place November 2nd and 3rd.

The Stop Community Food Centre is committed to employment equity and encourages applicants from equity seeking groups. We regret that only those applicants being considered will be contacted. Thank you for your interest in The Stop.