

Occupational Therapist – Adult Housing Reintegration Program

The Agency

The Calgary John Howard Society (CJHS) is a charity that reduces crime and makes Calgary communities safer by helping youth and adults make positive changes and move away from criminal behaviour. We do this by addressing the root causes of crime through housing, education, employment programs and support so that individuals have alternatives to breaking the law. CJHS is committed to restorative justice and an organizational environment that recognizes the dignity and worth of each person. CJHS values diversity and inclusion and welcomes qualified applicants from all walks of life.

The Program

The Adult Housing Reintegration Program (AHRP) provides housing and intensive supports to individuals above the age of 18 who are: chronically homeless; have repeat involvement with the justice system; and are frequent users of emergency, health, correctional and shelter services. Upon entry to the program and/or release from jail, we work to house the individual as quickly as possible and continue with case management support working towards successful reintegration into the community. The AHRP team consists of four Caseworkers, an Occupational Therapist, a Housing Liaison and Program Manager.

The Position

The AHRP Occupational Therapist will function in an outreach capacity, working with the AHRP Case Management Team within the community. Reporting to the Community Reintegration Program Manager, this position will ensure the development, implementation and ongoing administration of addiction and mental health assessments, and treatment plans for AHRP clients. Roles and responsibilities will include:

- Provision of clinical assessments including physical and mental functioning, substance use, medication, suicide and self-harm screening, etc.
- Provide written reports containing treatment recommendations to the AHRP Case Management Team
- Work with the Case Management Team to support clients directly in the community
- Assist clients with identifying goals related to their activities of daily living (ADLs) and with developing a plan in collaboration with the Case Management Team to achieve goals
- Promote and maintain effective linkages with addiction and mental health systems and community agencies, connecting clients with appropriate community treatment
- Organize trainings and workshops for the AHRP staff and clients regarding addiction and mental health issues

The successful applicant will be eligible for registration and have a minimum of two years of experience working with adults in the community with mental health and addictions disorders, homelessness and poverty.

Applications will be accepted until July 10, 2020 or until a suitable candidate is found.

Please submit your cover letter and resume (with “OT-2020” in the subject line) to:

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The Calgary John Howard Society thanks all applicants; however, only those considered for an interview will be contacted.