

CONTRACT POSITION: SSUC Community Youth Coordinator

8 months, renewable. October 2024 through May 2025. Approximately 16-20 hrs/mo. \$3200-4000

Summary of the Position

SSUC is seeking an enthusiastic person to coordinate and lead programming for youth aged ~11-16 both within the SSUC community and in the South Edmonton context in response to needs of queer and ally youth.

Nature of the Position

The successful applicant will work in a team-oriented atmosphere with training and mentorship opportunities and be committed to creating an atmosphere of affirmation and safety in leading programs that will foster connection, encourage participants to develop as individuals, wisdom seekers and global citizens. The successful Youth Coordinator will identify with humanist/progressive values, as expressed by SSUC, that will help participants make a difference in their lives and in the world while connecting meaningfully with one another.

SSUC is a unique community in Edmonton for the following reasons:

- Radically Inclusive. A spiritual home and safe place for all in the 2SLGBTQ+ community (the first affirming United Church in Alberta), the home to Emberwood (queer and ally nature programming) and Camp Dragonfly (a summer camp for trans and gender creative children)
- Committed to Ecological and Social Justice
- Non-dogmatic, values-based spiritual community with a focus on exploring wisdom for spiritual depth and health (welcoming free thinkers, seekers, progressives of any religion or none)
- A shared commitment to 4 core values: celebrating diversity, engaging life with spiritual depth, inspiring compassion and connection, and making a meaningful difference.

Outline of Responsibilities

- Host an experience for youth at SSUC through presence and mentoring on Sunday mornings, concurrent with all-ages gatherings, that creates a culture of youth togetherness, reflection and relevance.
- Develop and host a weekly 'Community GSA' or similar, inviting youth from the south Edmonton area who need space to participate in community-building and action together.
- Collaborate with SSUC staff, partners, agencies, groups and ministries to provide a rich experience of youth inclusion, community service, awareness, allyship, etc.
- Attend SSUC team/staff meetings as necessary, collaborating with other SSUC team staff to fulfill organizational goals, coordinate publicity, marketing and media presence.
- Sign and uphold the SSUC Code of Conduct for the Protection of Vulnerable Persons, including supplying a clear criminal record check (vulnerable sector) and child welfare check.

Desired Skills and Experience

- Enjoy working with and ability to engage and communicate with children, teenagers, young adults
- A sense of fun
- Understanding of SSUC and associated partner's values, uniqueness, inclusivity and key messages.
- Connections with diverse communities within Edmonton.
- A commitment to self and community improvement, the inherent worth and dignity of every person
- Ability to work efficiently with little supervision but also take direction when required.
- Ability to thrive in a team environment and willingness to learn or grow in areas less familiar.

Application

Please submit your interest and relevant experience and skills in a cover letter to SSUCapplications@gmail.com by September 30, 2024.

SSUC is committed to the principles of equity and diversity and encourages applications from all qualified persons, regardless of age, gender, gender expression, sexuality, physical ability, tradition or culture.