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CAMP IN THE CITY™ 2019

CAMP COUNSELOR – Job Description

Camp In The City™ offers children an opportunity to escape the stresses that a cancer diagnosis can bring to the family and provides an opportunity for fun, building friendships and excitement. As an extension of our Noogieland and Teen Program, Camp In The City™ at Gilda's Club Greater Toronto will incorporate a full roster of developmentally appropriate programs (i.e. art, drama, safe sports, community outings, baking and more) and is developed with our campers in mind.

The duration of the Camp In The City Counselor position is from **Monday June 24 – Friday August 2, 2019.**

Please note: Applicants must be between the ages of 15-30, is a Canadian Citizen, permanent resident, or person on whom refugee protection has been conferred under the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act**; and is legally entitled to work according to the relevant provincial / territorial legislation and regulations.

Applicants must love camp, working with children, and exhibit strong leadership skills. An understanding of the complexities cancer has on a family is a strong asset.

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Reports to: Katie Jacobs, Program Director

Skills and Experience Required:

- Undergraduate degree/diploma in Social Work, Child Life, ECE, Child Development or related field Child Life work related experience considered a strong asset
- Previous work with children and youth, preferably in a camp environment. Camp Counseling experience will be considered highly valuable
- First-Aid/CPR certified
- Vulnerable Sector Screening
- Excellent communication and leadership skills
- Ability to work independently as well as part of a team
- Passionate about working with children impacted by illness coupled with an enthusiasm and passion for the magic that summer camp brings to children

GILDA'S CLUB GREATER TORONTO MISSION STATEMENT

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Task: Ensuring that a high quality camp program is delivered and maintained throughout the summer

EXPECTATIONS:

- Assist in the development and planning of daily camp activities, working in close collaboration with the Camp Coordinator and interim Director of Programs.
- Organize and lead a variety of camp activities each day, providing assistance to volunteers and the Camp Coordinator wherever needed
- Be proactive in encouraging positive camper behavior and teamwork, while addressing any behavioural challenges with the assistance of the Camp Coordinator
- Work collaboratively with the interim Director of Programs and Camp Coordinator to supervise intern/placement student(s) and all Camp in the City™ volunteers.
- Supervise and ensure a clean, organized and safe camp environment is maintained at all times

Task: Ensuring that high safety standards are upheld throughout the summer

EXPECTATIONS:

- Always adhere to all Gilda's Club Greater Toronto policies and procedures (copies of which will be provided during pre-camp training).
- Supervise all assigned groups of campers, maintaining a safe camper-to-staff/volunteer ratio
- Be responsible for the safety of all children at camp, knowing the whereabouts of all camper groups at all times
- Communicate any incidents or concerns immediately to the Camp Coordinator

Task: Contributing towards building a strong and positive camp team and camper experience

EXPECTATIONS:

- Work in close cooperation with all Camp in the City™ volunteers and Gilda's Club staff
- Provide guidance, encouragement and leadership to all volunteers and any intern/placement students
- Be an excellent role model for volunteers, students, campers and staff alike
- Participate in other duties as required.

To apply please send cover letter and resume detailing previous camp and employment experience to:

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