

Senior Summer Day Camp Counsellor

West Neighbourhood House is a multi-service, neighbourhood-based agency that has served the diverse communities of downtown west Toronto since 1912. The central purpose of West Neighbourhood House is to enable less-advantaged individuals, families and groups in the community to gain greater control over their lives and community.

As a part of a team of enthusiastic summer day camp staff the Senior Summer Day Camp Counsellor promotes the healthy development of children and ensures safe and healthy interactions between children, their peers, adults and their environment.

The Senior Summer Day Camp Counsellor position is funded by Employment and Social Development, Canada. As per the Canada Summer Jobs eligibility criteria, the applicant must be between the ages of 15-30, have a valid SIN, and be a Canadian Citizen, Permanent Resident, or person who has been granted Refugee status in Canada. Please note that international students, and those who are in Canada on a work, youth, or visitor visa/permit, are not eligible for the program.

West Neighbourhood House is actively seeking qualified applications from Indigenous, Black and People of Colour, people with disabilities, women and people of all sexual orientations and gender identities/expressions. Applicants with lived experience as a participant of West Neighbourhood House programs, or related programming from similar organizations, are also strongly encouraged to apply.

West Neighbourhood House will provide accommodation throughout the recruitment & selection process to applicants with disabilities. During any stage of the recruitment process, please indicate the nature of any accommodation(s) you may require. Any information received relating to accommodation measures will be addressed confidentially.

Responsibilities:

- Support the Lead Summer Day Camp Counsellor in planning and delivery of activities for local children aged 6 to 12 years old throughout the summer;
- Lead and participate in a variety of activities, including games, arts and crafts, and off-site outings;
- Promote healthy development of individuals and to ensure safe and healthy interactions between the children, their peers, adults and their environment;
- Maintain consistent safety and supervision of all participants on-site, during outings, and in the water at aquatic facilities;
- Attend staff meetings and contribute to a collaborative team environment.

Qualifications:

- Education and/or equivalent experience in child development, education community-based social work, recreation or creative arts, with knowledge of children’s development;
- Ability to supervise a group of school age children;
- Awareness and understanding of a safe environment free from harassment, discrimination, oppression;
- Ability to work with groups of children; understanding of teamwork and co-operation;
- Ability to demonstrate social and conflict resolution skills while working with diverse groups of people;
- Current First Aid and CPR Training an asset;
- Ability to be a role model demonstrating social skills and conflict resolution skills while working with people from different backgrounds and experiences;
- Experience working with students &/or volunteers would be an asset;
- Previous experience working with school-aged children would be an asset;
- Familiarity with the local community would be an asset;
- Availability for the full camp session is required.

Status: Summer Contract (June 27 – August 29, 2025)
Start Date: June 27, 2025
Hours: up to 40 hours per week
Rate: \$17.72 per hour
Unit: Community Programs and Social Change
Immediate Supervisors: Coordinator, Children, Youth & Family Services
Posting Date: May 5, 2025
Closing Date: May 12, 2025

Please send your cover letter and resume clearly indicating “Senior Summer Day Camp Counsellor” by 5:00 pm on the closing date to:

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