O'man's Nam'a (We Are One) Project

Job Posting: Indigenous Ministries Liaison

Organization: St. Columba Anglican-United Church

Location/Address:

9190 Granville Street, PO Box 1260 Port Hardy, BC, V0N 2P0

Website: https://www.stcolumbaporthardy.ca/

JOB DESCRIPTION:

Do you have a passion for working with First Nations communities and want to see bridges of reconciliation and right relations built between these communities and the Church?

St. Columba's currently has an opportunity for a part-time Indigenous Ministries Liaison. The successful candidate will provide leadership in helping the church move towards right relationship and engagement with local First Nations individuals and communities by leading weekly community-based programs, i.e., community meals, healing circles, discussion groups, etc.

POSITION SUMMARY:

- To increase St. Columba's impact and visibility in the town of Port Hardy and surrounding area First Nations communities (the Gwa'sala-Nakwaxda'xw, Quatsino, and Kwagu'ł.)
- Liaise with local Elders, Chiefs, Church and Community leaders
- Assist local families through the churches community food cupboard.

MAJOR DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Fulfill the mission and values of St. Columba Anglican-United Church and maintain a high level of professionalism with all staff, donors, volunteers, community members and visitors
- Help prepare, set up, and clean up a weekly community meal
- Model healthy relationships with community participants and volunteers by listening, praying, and referring
- Communicate issues and concerns to supervisors in a proactive respectful manner
- Maintain specific records, stats and incident reports on log books and computer files
- Ensure daily tidiness and cleanliness of work space
- Participate in all staff training
- Other duties and site related duties may be assigned when required

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Demonstrated ability to engage with and build trusting relationships in a First Nations context.
- Food safe training (St. Columba's will provide training if needed)
- Safe Church and CPR (St. Columba's will provide training if needed)
- Ability to work with minimal supervision and as part of a team

Hours: Part time – 8 hrs per week (Sunday 10am-3pm / Monday 10am-1pm) hours are flexible

Wage: \$15 / per hour

OTHER INFORMATION

- Requires some flexibility of hours. Some evening or weekend work involved when special events are planned
- St. Columba's is a shared ministry of the Anglican and United Church and therefore requires an appreciation and openness towards these denominations and their expression and practice of faith
- The position requires a high degree of ongoing compassionate care, cultural awareness and safety (understanding of the impact of residential schools and colonization), conflict resolution and organizational ability
- Moderate physical effort with considerable periods of standing, walking and siting, indoors & outdoors
- The successful candidate will work in collaboration with the minister of St. Columba's and church council and be a key part of the leadership team at St. Columba's
- Depending on the candidate this position could lead to greater ministry opportunities within the church.
- Due to the nature of the position preference will be given to candidates with a First Nations background.
- Vulnerable Sector Check and Employment Security Check is required

Start date: Immediate (This position will remain open until a suitable candidate is found.)

To Apply please submit a resume and cover-letter to <u>columbac@telus.net</u> or drop-off an application in person at the church during office hours (Monday-Wednesday 9am-11:45am)

Privacy Policy: St. Columba Anglican-United Church follows the principles of privacy therefore the privacy policy will be adhered to. We thank all candidates for their interest, however, only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

St. Columba's Mission Statement

As followers of Jesus Christ, our church is a community called to love, honour, worship, and serve God. We invite others to share our Christian journey as we grow in faith and engage in ministry in our town and mission in our world.