



FAMILY SERVICES of the NORTH SHORE

Job Posting (2 positions)

.8 FTE (28 hours per week)

.6 FTE (21 hours per week)

Positions:	Counsellor – Stopping the Violence Program
Position #:	20-1230
Reports to:	Program Manager & Clinical Supervisor – Stopping the Violence
Location:	North Vancouver office
Closing:	March 29, 2020

The Agency:

Family Services of the North Shore is an accredited not-for-profit community-based agency committed to making a lasting and deep impact in our community through counselling, support, education and volunteer programs.

We understand the competing responsibilities of modern life. In every role, we will support both your commitment to our community and the very real need to take care of your family. We also understand that in order to take care of others, you must first take care of yourself. At Family Services of the North Shore, you can do both. We aim to provide a sustainable model of work-life balance across all our programs and services.

The Program:

The Stopping the Violence program delivers counselling services to women who have experienced intimate partner violence, sexual abuse and / or childhood abuse as well as trafficked women. Services are primarily delivered to individual clients but will also include some group work.

The Job:

Most of your caseload will be individual adult women who are responding to the trauma of intimate partner violence. You may also facilitate groups for women survivors at various points along the healing process. Work can either be shorter or longer term, depending on the needs and wishes of your client, as well as your assessment in conjunction with your supervisor. You may also see clients in our 14- week safety and stabilization program.

In addition to your clinical work and file documentation, you will receive regular supervision from your Program Manager / Clinical Supervisor, as well as an external consultant. You will also participate in group supervision, and team meetings and are expected to work collaboratively with members of the Agency staff.

One position is 4 days per week (28 hours) and one position is 3 days per week (21 hours)

In order to accommodate the schedules of clients, evening hours and potentially Saturdays will be required. For the 4 day per week position, you can expect to work a minimum of one evening per week and Saturdays. For the 3 day per week position, two evenings per week or one evening per week and Saturdays will be required.

The Candidate:

You have a Master's degree in clinical counselling, social work or related field, current registration with an accredited, professional organization and a minimum of 2 years of post-master's degree experience working with women who have been impacted by violence, using a trauma-informed, feminist perspective. Experience working with families who have been impacted by relationship violence, substance misuse, mental health issues, and poverty is essential. You understand how the therapeutic relationship may be shaped by social locations of ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, and ability. Experience facilitating groups would also be an asset.

You have a good understanding of the importance of excellent file documentation practices.

Language proficiency in Farsi would be a significant asset as would experience working with Indigenous women. Training in EMDR or other trauma-informed therapies would also be considered an asset.

Family Services of the North Shore is committed to diversity and inclusion within its workforce and encourages all candidates, irrespective of gender, nationality, religious and ethnic backgrounds, including persons with disabilities to apply to become part of our Agency.

Please respond, in confidence, with cover letter and resume to:

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While we thank all applicants for their interest, only short-listed candidates will be contacted.