



Nishnawbe-Aski Legal Services Corporation

RESTORATIVE JUSTICE WORKER

Job Description

Title: Restorative Justice Worker

Dept.: RJ

Reports to: Restorative Justice
Manager

JD #:

REVIEWED: January 16, 2024

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Summary

The Restorative Justice Workers will be responsible for delivering and reporting on the implementation and progress of the initiative in the target communities funded under the project.

Core Competencies:

- Education and/or equivalent experience in social, justice or law related field;
- Experience with the Euro-Canadian Legal system and knowledge of the Indigenous Justice system and experience with Restorative Justice Circles;
- Experience in organizing and delivering training programs;
- Ability to work in a cross-cultural environment;
- Computer skills – working with Microsoft applications, email and internet;
- Public speaking skills and excellent oral and written communication skills;
- Willingness to communicate with others about law related and traditional issues;
- Demonstrated ability to work independently;
- Must be willing and able to travel extensively;
- Access to reliable transportation;
- Ability to speak Cree/Oji-Cree/Ojibway would be an asset.

Job Duties

- Complete training in facilitation of Restorative Justice Circles (RJC).
- Visit the communities to determine their level of progress in RJC and hold community meetings to educate and to determine needs and wishes.
- Liaise with court, police, judges, and probation officers to arrange for referrals to divert charges to RJC.
- To Liaise with police to arrange for pre-charge/ post-charge referrals, and provide education on the benefits of using Restorative Justice in the areas of pre-charge and post-charge referrals
- Visit mandated community twice monthly and conduct at least one RJC per visit as resources tolerate.

- Provide resources for Community Justice Circles and back-up those who wish to conduct their own CA Conferences.
- Maintain records of conferences and provide follow-up reports and final reports once agreements are completed.
- Ensure database information is updated on a monthly basis, and activity reports are provided monthly.
- Obtain qualitative community evaluation of services provided on a monthly basis.
- Attend Courts as they occur to liaise with Crown, Police, Probation Officers, and Justice Committee to arrange conferences,
- Hold community meetings to educate them in diversion and to determine needs and wishes on a Quarterly basis.
- Perform other related duties as required in furtherance of the mandate of the Corporation.

Requirements

- The Restorative Justice Worker should have a post-secondary diploma in law, advocacy, paralegal, social work, mental health, or related area of study.
- Experience and knowledge of Aboriginal issues and the current legal system is a must.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills

Reporting

- The Restorative Justice Worker is responsible to the Restorative Justice Manager for day-to-day activities and for overall work performance.

Meetings, Training and Outreach

- Attend all meetings, telephone and video conferences, committees, as directed.
- Attend professional development, training, workshops, education, as directed.
- Develop positive relationships with justice providers, defense counsel, police authorities, community leadership, duty counsel, crown attorneys, probation, parole and more. Keep program coordinator, supervisor, manager, or director apprised.

File maintenance

- Ensure all paper and electronic files are maintained up to date.
- Ensure all client information is kept confidential and that client files are up to date and complete.
- Follow directives, guidelines, and policies for records management and file keeping policies.

Additional Duties and Responsibilities

- Complete all additional responsibilities and duties as assigned.
- Other duties as assigned.

SALARY RANGE

Pursuant to current wage grid.

CERTIFICATIONS:

I certify that I have read and understand the responsibilities assigned to this position.

_____ Employee Signature	_____ Printed Name	_____ Date
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I certify that this job description is an accurate description of the responsibility assigned to the position.

_____ Supervisor or H/R Signature	_____ Printed Name	_____ Date
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I approve of the delegation of responsibilities outlined herein within the context of the overall organizational structure.

_____ CEO's/ ED's Signature	_____ Printed Name	_____ Date
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