

Job Opportunity
Mi'kmaw Legal Support Network

Agency: Mi'kmaq Victim Support Services Program- seeks to build and support Indigenous victims of gender base violence going through the Nova Scotia criminal justice system in Halifax Regional Municipality. This position will be responsible for i culturally competent supports for survivors within the criminal justice system and the HRM community, monitoring and recommending intervention strategies to address and disrupt the cycles of violence at the community level.

Position: IIRM Victim Support Worker

Start Date: **Immediate**

Location: Halifax Regional Municipality

Specific Requirements:

- University degree or equivalent required
- Mi'kmaq language preferred
- Experience working in a Social Service field
- Knowledge and familiarity with Mi'kmaq culture and communities.
- Knowledge of Mi'kmaq Legal Support Network and other Aboriginal Justice Programs
- In-depth understanding of intimate partner violence dynamics and the effects of victimization
- A high level of good judgment, independent decision-making and discretion
- Knowledge of the criminal justice system, community resources and relevant legislation.
- Must possess good communication skills and public speaking skills
- Computer skills required
- Must possess valid Nova Scotia Driver's license and have access to a vehicle.
- Must pass Criminal Record Screening and Child Abuse Register

General Description:

The Mi'kmaw Victim Support Service Program will provide Mi'kmaq/Indigenous victims and witnesses of gender base **violence** with information and assistance throughout the court process to enhance their understanding of and participation in the criminal justice system. In close cooperation with other available programs, such as the Mi'kmaw Friendship Center and the Domestic Violence Court the VSS will assist with referrals for safety planning and counselling services in the community, arranging appointments with the Crown, courtroom tours for victims, preparation for testifying in court, assistance with preparation of Victim Impact Statements, applications to the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board, advocacy for victims' rights, public education and training, court accompaniment.

Salary: Upon Request

Deadline for applications is Sept. 11, 2019

Please include **a cover letter** explaining your interest in this position.
Forward resumes and cover letter with two references to:

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