

## **Job Description – Clean Leadership 2020 Program**

### **Summary of the Program**

The Clean Leadership program (formerly Nova Scotia Youth Conservation Corps or Youth Corps) was established in 1989 to provide Nova Scotian youth with training and employment opportunities in the environmental field. This program engages community partners across the province to hire students to carry out work in the summer months that fosters environmental stewardship. The Clean Leadership program provides Nova Scotian youth with green sector work experience, an enhanced appreciation of the environment and their community, and develops skills for life-long learning (including team-building and leadership skills, increased knowledge for future employment and/or education ventures, program evaluation techniques, and the ability to give back to their community and their environment.

### **Job Title**

*Wildlife Prevention Intern- 9-week Indigenous intern*

### **Summary of Position**

The community partner for this Summer Student Intern position through the Clean Leadership program will be the Confederacy of Mainland Mi'kmaw, reporting to the Emergency Management Project Manager, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources. In this position, you will be mainly responsible for supporting wildfire preparedness, mitigation and awareness efforts within First Nations communities. The position will be both field and office based with a focus on community engagement. The successful candidate needs to have a strong understanding of some of the following: environmental science, forest management, emergency preparedness and climate change.

### **Community Partner**

The Confederacy of Mainland Mi'kmaq (CMM) is a Tribal Council representing eight Mi'kmaq communities in Mainland Nova Scotia. Our mission is to proactively promote and assist Mi'kmaq community initiatives towards self-determination and enhancement of community. The CMM is located in the Millbrook Mi'kmaw community of Nova Scotia and currently has over 80 employees.

### **Duties and Responsibilities**

- Implementing wildfire mitigation efforts through area cleaning/clearing, landscaping around community infrastructure/buildings.
- Conducting Community/building Wildfire Risk Assessments.
- Conducting background research on emergency preparedness, FireSmart practices, climate adaptation strategies and health impacts.
- Integrating traditional knowledge and FireSmart practices.
- Delivering community outreach, engagement and awareness activities targeted towards wildfire prevention and increased preparedness
- Supporting emergency management planning
- Attend periodic meetings as required by the program manager.

- Additional duties may be required by the program manager or departmental director.

## **Requirements/Qualifications**

- Must be a Canadian citizen or legally entitled to work in Canada;
- Must be between the ages of 15 and 30;
- Must be a full-time student and intending to return to school in fall 2020;
- Is not a member of immediate family of community partner;
- Have an aptitude for safe work practices and the ability to multi-task in a busy work environment;
- Be able to work productively as part of a team while responding to feedback;
- Demonstrated interest in future employment in the environmental or 'green' sector is considered an asset;
- Experience working in or with First Nations communities will be considered an asset;
- Excellent presentation and interpersonal skills;
- Understanding of local issues related to climate change, health and/or emergency preparedness;
- Understanding concepts of community engagement and capacity building.

## **Working Conditions**

This position will be mainly field based with some office work both focusing on community outreach.

## **Physical Requirements**

No outstanding physical requirements will be necessary for this position; however, field work is necessary and use of landscaping and forestry tools and equipment may be required.