

## **Volunteer Mentor**

Are you interested in making a positive impact in the Halton community? Do your friends and family tell you that you're great with children and youth? Why not consider sharing your spare time, skills and laughter with a child or youth in need in your community? Our volunteers act as positive role models to children and youth of all ages throughout Halton. In as little as a few hours a month, you can make a significant difference in the life of a child or youth.

The Halton CAS is dedicated to developing mentorship relationships that reflect the diversity of the communities we serve, and we encourage applications from diverse groups including from Black, 2SLGBTQ, First Nations, Inuit and Metis persons.

Physical distancing does not have to mean social disconnection – we have adjusted and adapted to ensure mentors and mentees continue their relationships while they may be separated due to Coronavirus COVID-19. Please note however, for face-to-face mentoring, volunteers are required to be fully vaccinated for COVID-19.

#### Role

 To be a friend and good role model for a child or youth in care. Friendships and trust are formed, and positive social skills, confidence and selfesteem are instilled.

#### **Time Commitment**

- Time is dependant on the requirements of each child or youth and what time you have available to commit.
- Approximately once a week and a minimum oneyear commitment is required.

### **Major Responsibilities**

- To provide positive and supportive communication between yourself and the child or youth, leading by example.
- To report activities and progress to the child or youth's worker.
- Be attentive to the needs and interests of the child or youth.
- Take ownership for the goals and direction provided by the Society/worker.
- Adhere to the guidelines of the Society's Code of Conduct.

#### Requirements/Qualifications

- Listening skills, friendly, non-judgemental, caring, experience in relating to children, youth and families.
- Good time management and organization skills.
- Be fully vaccinated and provide receipt
- Proof of Vaccination & Attestation Form
- Vulnerable Sector Screening.
- Proof of Full Vaccination & Attestation Form
- Driver's Abstract.
- Patience, sense of humour and a caring personality.

#### **Benefits**

- Establish a new meaningful connection with a child or youth in your community.
- Foster positive growth and development.
- Facilitate life skills development in a child or youth within your community.

#### You Are . . .

- A team player who possesses leadership qualities.
- Enthusiastic and energetic.
- Reliable and punctual.
- Motivated.
- Accountable.
- Outgoing and enjoy meeting new people.
- Conscientious.

#### **Team Support**

- Supervisor of Volunteer Services
- Child or youth's worker
- Volunteer Services Team Assistant

# For More Information, Contact . . .

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