



Date: August 10, 2021

### **Equine Program Assistant**

Full-time position located mainly in Tl'etinqox and at the Alexis Lake project site

The Equine Program Assistant will help develop and deliver recreational and therapeutic programming for youth, adults and families from the community and the Tsilhqot'in Nation at large. Reporting directly to the Equine Program Director, the Program Assistant will look after the program's horses (feeding, regular maintenance, working with the herd, ensuring health and welfare needs are met, addressing safety and health concerns, tracking inventory and picking up purchase orders). This position will also involve tasks related to program development and group co-facilitation, workshop support, and community engagement. The Program Assistant will encourage and engage youth to be active and out on the land with horses as well as build hands-on skills in trauma-informed relational horsemanship, horse care, and riding. This person will also assist in bringing and supporting youth at local horse events, such as gymkhanas, the annual community horse rides to various culturally-relevant sites, and culture camps.

### **Key Responsibilities:**

- Work directly with the Equine Program Director and other team members, Elders, and contractors to develop and deliver programming for youth, adults and families
- Provide care for the program's horses, including feeding, watering, daily care and maintenance, and groundwork
- Ensure safety and quality care at all times through modelling and holding high safety and relationship standards
- Teach and engage youth with hands-on skills related to horse care, horsemanship and riding
- Incorporate Tsilhqot'in language, culture and values
- Abide by principles of trauma-informed service delivery
- Encourage equal opportunity and access for youth to engage in horse programming
- Support the maintenance, care and enhancement of the grounds in Tl'etinqox and at Alexis Lake
- Complete additional duties and responsibilities as assigned
- Within Probationary Period and ongoing, complete Personal Development Training.

### **Qualifications:**

- Demonstrated depth of experience with horses, horse care, riding, trailering, and horsemanship
- Knowledge of Tsilhqot'in territory, culture and values or willingness to learn
- Experience working with youth and families (one on one and in groups)
- Current First Aid Training or willingness to obtain
- Ability to work with others, learn from others, and foster safe and healthy relationships
- Interest in expanding skill set in working with people and horses (continuing education)
- Self-motivated, dependable, and consistent
- Willingness to drive, reliable transportation and valid BC Driver's License
- Clean criminal record check

All qualified candidates will be contacted. Email or drop off resumes to Trish Hoy, Tl'etinqox Equine Program Director at [equine@tletincox.ca](mailto:equine@tletincox.ca) or at the Social Development office.

Closing date: August 27, 2021