

Programs Intern Summer 2025 - June 30-August 29

About Us

New Hope Community Services exists to provide excellence in transitional community housing for newcomer refugee families. To this end, New Hope owns and operates apartment buildings in Surrey and New Westminster, where newcomer refugee families live in community with Canadian Christian families. Refugee families stay at New Hope for up to 18 months before transitioning to more permanent housing and increased independence.

New Hope's vision is for every refugee coming to Canada to belong, thrive and make it their home. Compelled by God's love and our faith in Jesus Christ, New Hope is a sanctuary and loving community of care for refugees that prepares them to thrive in Canada. Our values are:

- 1. A place to call home We believe all refugees deserve a clean, safe and affordable place to call home.
- 2. People before everything We exist for the people who live in our buildings. They aren't just tenants. They are our neighbours and friends.
- 3. Intentional community We believe intentional community leads to shared experiences and mutual transformation. We believe in experiencing life together and that in community we are all transformed.
- 4. Increasing our impact We believe in making a difference. More housing, more conversations, and more tools leading to independence make an impact, enabling our families to thrive in their Canadian lives.

Position Description:

The Programs Intern position at New Hope Community Services Society is a 9 week paid position for the summer of 2025. It is intended for an individual under age 30* who wishes to learn and grow in the area of refugee housing and settlement work.

Programs Intern Role & Responsibilities

- 1. Design, organize, and supervise a weekly summer children's program
- 2. Provide English tutoring for young English learners
- 3. Regular house visits with refugee residents, assisting with settlement needs
- 4. Assist in applying for rentals and contacting landlords when a refugee family is looking for housing
- 5. Assist in orientation of new refugee families, including setting up their suite, acquiring household items, and neighbourhood orientation



- 6. Organize and manage events for large groups of people including community dinners, family field trips, community events, and fundraisers
- 7. Assist building manager in building maintenance projects
- 8. Communications social media posts and blog posts, highlighting events in the building

About You:

The Programs Intern role offers a unique and fulfilling opportunity to build intentional, cross-cultural community and relationships while welcoming newcomers to Canada. Skills, experiences, and traits that will help the Programs Intern thrive include aptitude in or a strong desire to grown in the following areas:

- 1. Relationship building with diverse people of different ethnicities, nationalities, religions, languages, and varying socioeconomic and educational backgrounds
- 2. Cross-cultural communication and communication with non-English or low-English speakers
- 3. Reliability, flexibility, good work habits, positive attitude
- 4. Self-awareness, understanding the factors that contribute to one's own perspective
- 5. Enjoy working with children

Location & Working Conditions

- This role will work primarily at our Surrey location (13478 Hilton Road), but there might be occasional days worked at our New Westminster building (608 Tenth Street)
- 30-32 hours/week
- New Hope offices are shared spaces, and you will need to have a mobile phone with a Canadian number and the ability to communicate via text and Whatsapp.
- Salary: \$20/hour

How to Apply

If this opportunity excites you, please send your cover letter and resume to Director of Programs, Mindy Kozloff, at summer@newhopecs.org before April 30, 2025. Only candidates invited to interview will be contacted. Thank you!

*Applicants must fulfill Canada Summer Jobs Eligibility Requirements:

- be between 15 and 30 years of age at the beginning of the employment period
- be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or person to whom refugee protection has been conferred under the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act* for the duration of the employment
- have a valid Social Insurance Number at the start of employment and be legally entitled to work in Canada in accordance with relevant provincial or territorial legislation and regulations
- International students are not eligible participants.