

# **Youth Outreach Worker**

**Location:** YMCA Youth Intervention Services, Hamilton

Position Type: Full- Time Salaried: 12-month Contract; 35 hours per week with benefits and

complimentary YMCA membership

Salary Grade - Grade 3

Salary Range: \$50,000 annually, commensurate with experience

Anticipated Start Date: September 29, 2025

#### **Position Overview:**

We believe that it is through the power of our amazing people that the #YSavesLives. By joining the YMCA Hamilton|Burlington|Brantford Employment Services team, you will contribute to making our Y the best place to work.

We are seeking a passionate and motivated individual that will provide effective program delivery of the YMCA Youth Education Support Program to youth in grades 11, 12 and in first year post-secondary education. In the role of Youth Outreach Worker (YOW) you will provide two main pillars of support; holistic academic support, which includes specific education attainment goals, and as well as social, emotional support and community support that will provide wrap-around supports to improve, well-being, a sense of belonging and academic motivations. Through the delivery of one-one individualized support, group workshops, vocational tours, tutoring and mentorship you will assist youth in identifying and overcoming barriers the youth may face in accessing post-secondary education.

This is an excellent opportunity for an individual with a high level of interest in working with the YMCA HBB as a charitable organization.

## What You'll Do:

- Provide in-person services in all areas of delivery: one-one case management, and group workshops
- Assess youths' educational needs through various assessment tools and develop a Goal Centered Approach
  based on youths' needs assessment, educational attainment goals, as well as determine services for social,
  emotional and community supports to improve a sense of belonging and academic motivations
- Assist youth in grades 11, 12 and first year post-secondary overcome barriers to achieving their educational
  and long-term employment goals, with a focus on youth in the Hamilton area
- Implement strong youthwork approach informed by program and participants' objectives to achieve participants goals
- Facilitation of developed workshop series, group workshops and information sessions on an on-going basis;
   topics will include but not be limited to: Study Skills, Budgeting, YESP Unlocking Scholarships, YOU Can Go!,
   Goal Setting, Wellness and Mental Health, etc
- Effectively case manage participant files to YMCA documentation standards; comply with data entry expectations YMCA and Ministry funders
- Must meet monthly statistical requirements, financial information, and reports are data entered in timely and accurate manner and the privacy and confidentiality of youth records are maintained to YMCA standards
- Possess a willingness to work a flexible schedule when required; may include some evenings and or weekends
- Selected candidate will take initiative, possess strong problem solving and critical thinking skills to work with limited supervision
- Completes other general administrative duties



#### What You'll bring:

- Post-secondary degree/diploma in Child and Youth Care, Social Service Worker, Education, Social Work,
   Recreation Management or related field
- Two (02) years of relevant work experience working with vulnerable youth
- Able to understand youth identified barriers with a focus on promoting self-advocacy and developed assets to overcome some challenges; ability to effectively communicate with youth, newcomers, persons with disabilities, from various cultures, social and economic backgrounds
- Experience with intake, needs assessment, case management and group workshop facilitation an asset
- Working knowledge of youth issues/practices/development related to youth transitioning to adulthood,
- Experience building and working collaboratively with school boards, partnerships with/within colleges and universities, community stakeholders and associations to represent YMCA and/or the network in a professional manner while achieving agreed upon results
- Advanced skills utilizing all Microsoft Office Applications including Word, Outlook, Power Point and Excel,
   Zoom and other online communication platforms
- Well organized, team player who can take initiative, manage change/transitions with the ability to prioritize and multi-task and meet deadlines and targets.
- Excellent English communication skills, written and verbal.
- Certification in Crisis Intervention, Motivational Interviewing, Suicide Intervention, First Aid/CPR an asset
- Driver's License and own transportation required.

All offers of employment will be subject to the provision that the successful incumbent provides the YMCA of Hamilton|Burlington|Brantford with a current and satisfactory Police Records Check. Positions responsible for the direct supervision of children and/or vulnerable persons will be required, in addition to a Police Records Check, to provide a Vulnerable Sector Screening Report at the time of hire. Police Records Checks are reviewed on an individual basis, and the offence(s), if any, is considered in the decision-making process in relation to the requirement of working with children; therefore, not eliminating all candidates with a record from being offered a position.

# Ready to Make a Difference?

The YMCA is a charity that ignites the potential in people. #YSavesLives starts with building a strong community. If you're passionate about creating a vibrant and healthy community where everyone thrives, we want to hear from you!

**Interested in applying?** Please submit your resume to: Kim Horan, General Manager via email kim.horan@ymcahbb.ca by **September 10, 2025.** 

The YMCA of Hamilton | Burlington | Brantford is committed to creating an inclusive, diverse, equitable and accessible environment. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, colour, religion, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, national origin, genetics, disability, age, or neurodiversity. We understand the social barriers preventing individuals from applying for open roles. We encourage those from the Indigenous, 2SLGBTQIA+, BIPOC, and Disabled communities to apply. If you need any accommodation throughout the recruitment process, please do not hesitate to contact our People, Leadership and Culture Department plc@ymcahbb.ca