

JOB DESCRIPTION – NINTENDO Wii HOST

Position: Nintendo Wii Host

Organisation: City Centre Care Society – Central City Lodge

Responsible to: Director – Operations & Leadership

Description:

City Centre Care Society – Central City Lodge, offers complex care, an Addictions Recovery Program, and assisted living services to a total population of close to 200 DTES residents. The majority of our residents are seniors, however we do also serve a number of younger individuals.

The Wii Host will provide a supportive environment in which our residents can play interactive Wii games. You will be proactive in introducing residents to the Wii concept, and be able to explain how to operate the equipment with the aim of empowering them to participate.

You will be responsible for setting up and putting away the equipment, and for organizing the room you use. In addition, you will evaluate and recommend games to keep what is offered fresh and interesting as you get to know residents' needs (and their Wii confidence increases). As part of sourcing new games to try, you may participate in big-box store trade-in programs.

An ability to keep it simple and fun will help you to succeed with our population, as most residents have mobility constraints, and/or mental health issues that prevent them from being independent in the activities they engage in.

Very few of our residents have had exposure to technology in respect of computers and gaming, but the aim is to engage them in activities that promote some movement, while allowing them to experience a mental sense of adventure and freedom.

Our residents also have few family and friends involved with their care, so you will provide them with a link to the modern, outside world that in itself improves their quality of life.

Volunteers Required: One

Skills/Experience: Knowledge and enjoyment of Wii System, ability and interest in teaching, communication, empathy, patience, confidence

Language Requirements: English (other languages an asset)

Reimbursements: Coffee/tea, and dinner if required

Training Provided: In-house orientation to client group and our facility

Benefits to Volunteer: **per my list

Contact: Wendy Harvey

Time: To be determined

Day: By arrangement – likely w/ends

Duration: Ongoing