

## **Job Posting: Community Development Worker (Summer Student Position)**

**Application Deadline:** Wednesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025

**Start and End Date:** June 23, 2025 to August 15, 2025

**Duration:** Eight (8) weeks

**Hours:** 35 hours per week

**Hourly Wage:** \$20.00

### **About Abrigo Centre:**

Abrigo Centre is a non-profit organization serving Toronto's Portuguese-speaking and multicultural communities. We empower individuals and families through culturally sensitive services and support systems, promoting social inclusion and community well-being.

### **Position Overview:**

Abrigo Centre is seeking a **Community Development Worker for an 8-week summer position** funded through the Federal Government's **Canada Summer Jobs program**. Eligible participants must be between 15 and 30 years of age (inclusive) at the start of employment; Canadian citizens, permanent residents, or persons to whom refugee protection has been conferred under the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act*.

The successful candidate will gain hands-on experience promoting equity and addressing barriers that community members face, including poverty, settlement challenges, domestic violence, mental health and substance use issues, and more. You will work within a supportive, anti-oppressive, client-centered, and trauma-informed environment.

### **Key Responsibilities:**

- Conduct a community needs assessment
- Develop an inventory of local services and resources
- Work with small groups or individual clients to assess needs and develop service plans
- Design and deliver short information sessions and workshops (e.g., government benefits, services, family violence dynamics)
- Support clients with goal-setting and accessing services such as subsidized housing, financial assistance, and pensions
- Provide interpretation and translation support in Portuguese and English
- Liaise with service providers to advocate for community needs
- Maintain and update client records in the organization's database
- Assist the Program Manager with research and evaluation initiatives
- Participate in staff meetings and community events as required



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**Qualifications:**

- Fluency in Portuguese and English is required
- Strong interpersonal skills and a passion for working with diverse communities
- Knowledge of social services and issues affecting immigrant and low-income communities is an asset
- Ability to work independently and collaboratively in a team setting
- Commitment to anti-oppressive, client-centered, and trauma-informed practice
- An understanding of anti-racism, anti-oppression, social justice and trauma informed practice

**How to Apply:**

Please send your resume and a brief cover letter to **Paula De Jesus**, [pdejesus@abrigo.ca](mailto:pdejesus@abrigo.ca) by **Wednesday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:00 p.m.**

Abrigo Centre is committed to building a diverse workforce and strongly encourages applications from BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, People of Colour) communities, newcomers, 2SLGBTQIA+ individuals, and people with disabilities.

We thank all applicants for their interest however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

***This position is funded by the Government of Canada's Canada Summer Jobs Program.***