



## **JOB OPPORTUNITY**

Kiikenomaga Kikenjigewen Employment and Training Services (KKETS) is looking for a qualified and committed individual for the following position:

### **Social Worker**

#### **Background:**

KKETS provides culturally appropriate opportunities for education, training, and employment by providing professional advisory, support services, relevant systems, and programs to empower individuals to take initiative for change in their own lives.

#### **Position Summary:**

Reporting to the Director of Learning, the Social Worker provides mental health counselling, support and intervention services to students attending the KKETS Adult Education Program (KAEP). The Social Worker will be subjected to confidential material in relation to KKETS and student information. The Social Worker shall conduct themselves in a professional manner and ensure the wellness needs of students attending KAEP are identified and supported. The Social Worker is knowledgeable of culturally responsive wellness strategies, mindfulness strategies and Anishinabek culture and values.

#### **Specific Duties Include:**

- Provide solution-focused counselling services to students attending KAEP.
- Case management skills.
- Support students in addressing mental health issues that may include trauma, grief and loss, depression/anxiety, self-harm/suicide prevention services, harm-reduction, safety planning, and substance misuse and addictions.
- Advocacy and assistance with system navigation, support, and referrals.
- Maintain accurate and confidential client records electronically.
- Work as part of a multi-disciplinary team.
- Plan, coordinate, and deliver/facilitate culturally relevant mental health and wellness programming for students. Flexibility of program delivery required.
- Participating in professional learning communities focused on student success.
- Understand the needs of adult learners and transitions into a school setting.

- Understand the history of colonial violence and intergenerational trauma effecting Anishinaabe communities.
- Engage in on-going professional development.
- Understand the benefits of mindfulness and holism practices related to healing and finding balance between the physical, emotional, spiritual, and mental self.

**Preferred Qualifications and Experience:**

- A degree in Social Work or related field. Applicants with a diploma related to the field of Social Work will be considered (e.g., Social Service Worker, Native Child & Family Services).
- The applicant must be professionally registered with a regulatory body (e.g., College of Social Workers and Social Service Workers).
- Applicants must be willing to provide a police criminal background check and a vulnerable sector check.
- Valid G Class Driver's License.
- Knowledge of Ojibway, Cree or Oji-Cree is an asset.

**The incumbent should also have proficient knowledge in the following areas:**

- Knowledge of foundational theories, principles, and practices as they relate to Social Services, Social Work, and/or Counselling.
- Strong knowledge of practice regulations.
- Familiar with privacy, confidentiality, and duty to report.
- Knowledge of community support services in Thunder Bay and in the Matawa communities.
- Knowledge of First Nations culture, history, and values.

**Location:** The position is based at the KAEP office located at 523 Algoma St. N, Thunder Bay, Ontario, with some travel to Matawa First Nation communities.

**Remuneration:** This is a full-time position; salary commensurate with qualifications and experience.

**Deadline: Thursday, August 7, 2025, by 4:30 pm.**

**Please submit a cover letter with a resume, and three employment references to:**

Jacqueline Gagnon, Reception/Administrative Assistant  
 Kiikenomaga Kikenjigewen Employment and Training Services  
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 Or Fax to: (807)-768-4471  
 Or Email to [KKETS-Reception@matawa.on.ca](mailto:KKETS-Reception@matawa.on.ca)

We thank all who are interested, however, only those candidates selected for an interview will be notified.