



North Shore Multicultural Society Volunteer job Description

POSITION TITLE: Senior Peer Leader

PROGRAM: Senior Sparks Program

Summary:

Volunteers will be trained as 'Senior Peer Leaders' and will form the Seniors' Advisory Committee of the *Senior Sparks* program. The Advisory Committee will work with an NSMS Settlement Worker to organize and run *Senior Sparks*. The objective of this program is to support immigrant seniors' social participation, inclusion and contribution to their communities.

Responsibilities:

- Explore the needs of North Shore immigrant seniors within the Seniors' Sparks group setting
- Plan group meetings and activities on the North Shore

Skills and Qualifications:

- Aged 55+
- Respect for cultural diversity
- Familiarity with immigrant seniors needs, interests and challenges
- Willing to travel for offsite events and workshops offered by NSMS

Personal Suitability:

- Friendly, patient, respectful, empathetic, adaptable, good listening and verbal communication

Orientation and Supervision:

- A group orientation session will be provided
- Training will be provided for the volunteers which will provide both information about volunteering roles in Canada and tools for working with seniors

Volunteer Commitment:

- March 2017- April 2018

Benefits of Volunteering:

- Meet new people and inspire others
- Learn about the experiences of seniors in the community
- Learn about and connect with resources for seniors in the community
- Personal and professional development

Application Procedure:

Contact NSMS Volunteer Coordinator, Sochell Roman, at 604-973-0453 or sochellr@nsms.ca