

**Youth Employment Services Manitoba (YES Manitoba) is seeking individuals to join our volunteer Board of Directors.** The Board of Directors is responsible for the overall leadership and direction of YES Manitoba, developing its strategic plans, and assisting in setting goals and objectives.

## **ABOUT US**

YES Manitoba is a registered charity that provides free, inclusive employment services to youth ages 16 to 29. Our purpose is to help youth realize their potential to become self-sufficient and we strive to create a warm and welcoming environment for clients, community members, and staff. We provide a safe and supportive environment where youth can learn new skills, develop confidence, and feel supported during their transition to employment. YES Manitoba receives funding from the Province of Manitoba, as well as other donors and funders. We reach over 750 clients annually and partner with many community agencies to offer programming, presentations, and workshops.

## **ABOUT THE ROLE**

We are currently recruiting individuals to serve on our volunteer Board of Directors. The Board of Directors is responsible for the leadership and strategic direction of the organization, supporting our mission and vision by volunteering time, talent, and energy to help the organization better serve our clients. In addition to participating actively in formulating and overseeing the implementation of policies and strategies consistent with the purpose of the organization, the Board of Directors act as ambassadors and promote the organization within the community.

Members of the Board of Directors will have:

- An interest in the organization's mission and understanding of employment barriers facing young people in Manitoba.
- Knowledge of the organization's service demographics.
- A desire and ability to work as a part of a collaborative team; strong professional communication skills.
- Skills, experience, and knowledge to apply and support various board and organization initiatives.

Please note, this volunteer position requires a satisfactory security check, which includes a Criminal Records Check (including Vulnerable Sector Search) and a security check declaration. A security check is considered current if it was obtained no more than six (6) months prior to the start of a volunteer term. Only original copies of the CRC with VSS will be considered acceptable for the purposes of this policy.

## **YOUR COMMITMENT**

- Attend bi-monthly board meetings five to eight times per year (approximately two hours on the third Tuesday of every second month, scheduled in advance)
- Serve on a minimum of one board sub-committee as identified throughout the year (approximately 3 to 5 hours per month)
- Attend special events such as board orientation, training, annual general meeting, planning sessions, fundraising events, and networking opportunities, as required.
- Serve a two-year term with eligibility for re-election (maximum three terms in the same position, maximum 10 consecutive years on the board)

**APPLY**

Please submit your resume, a cover letter indicating why you are interested in a Board Member position with YES Manitoba, and a minimum of two (2) references by email to [volunteer@yesmb.ca](mailto:volunteer@yesmb.ca) by Monday, April 10 at 5:00 p.m. CST.

YES Manitoba encourages applications from all qualified individuals from a wide variety of experiences and backgrounds that represent the diversity of the populations we serve, including applications from all cultures, racialized communities, abilities, diverse sexual and gender identities and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas. If you identify as First Nations, Métis, Indigenous, racialized, a member of the LGBTQIA2S+ community, a person with a disability, and/or a member of a marginalized community, you are encouraged to indicate this in your cover letter.

YES Manitoba offices are located on Treaty One territory, on the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dene, and Dakota Peoples, and the Homeland of the Metis Nation.

For more information about YES Manitoba, please visit our website at [www.yesmb.ca](http://www.yesmb.ca).