

Volunteer position title:	Hustle Drop-In Volunteer	Posting date:	January 15, 2015
Manager contact information:	Billy Taylor billy@checkhimout.ca	Posting closing date:	This position has no closing date
Location:	HIM Main office (310-1033 Davie Street)	Position duration:	Ongoing
Position type:	Outreach	Service area:	Multiple service areas

Statement of volunteer value:

At Health Initiative for Men (HIM), volunteers play an essential role in bringing our mission and vision to life. We value volunteers for their roles as ambassadors, mentors, board directors, leaders, supporters, educators, advocates, and as members of the community of gay men and other men who have sex with men. At HIM, we value the unique gifts as well as the personal needs and diversity of our volunteers and embrace the benefits of volunteering for purposeful personal growth and social connection.

Purpose of the position:

The HUSTLE (*How U Survive This Life Everyday*) team engages with self-identified men involved in sex work. Through the Netreach online outreach program, HUSTLE is able to take our program online and support men and at risk youth in their virtual networks. Netreach profiles are established across a variety of social networking sites, including sites used primarily for hooking up and escorts. The goal is to bring accessible information and referrals to an under-resourced community and to aid in reducing isolation by providing support. Volunteers in this program expand their skills in the helping profession while contributing to the gay and OMSM* communities.

Responsibilities and duties

- Logging and documenting communications and stats
- Support staff in providing direct support
- Distribute harm reduction materials as requested
- Distribute materials and resources related to nutrition and hygiene as requested
- Protect the confidentiality of the people we interact with

Qualifications

Required qualifications	Preferred qualifications
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Good interpersonal skills• Some knowledge and competency in working with the gay/trans community.• Ability to calmly deal with conflict• Proficiency with Office software, well-versed in Internet terminology/slang and current social networking platforms	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Experience with marginalized populations

Commitment expected

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Shifts are once per week from 12-4pm• A 6-month commitment is preferred.• Some flexibility is also possible

Training

Training provided by HIM	Other training you might bring
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• HIM institute• Site/position specific training	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•

Other details

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• This position may also meet the qualifications for internship or practicums in various programs.• Expert supervision is available.

*Other Men who have Sex with Men