

<b>Volunteer Position title:</b>	Rainbow Soup Chef	<b>Posting date:</b>	July 15, 2016
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<b>Location:</b>	Gordon Neighborhood house	<b>Position duration:</b>	6 Months
<b>Position type:</b>	Direct client service	<b>Service area:</b>	Social Health

### 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:

Rainbow soup Social is a new partnership between HIM, Qmunity and Gordon Neighborhood house. Using materials donated by the Vancouver food bank, the Rainbow Soup Group makes a delicious soup each Thursday night and the soup is then served to the community the following day. One of the group's goals is to engage the community with the food they receive and to provide healthy recipes the consumers can try at home. Another goal is to provide a safe and fun venue for gay guys to get together and connect with each other whilst helping out the community.

Rainbow Soup Chefs endeavor to plan engaging, thoughtful and inclusive cooking experiences to promote the health and wellness of gay men. Chefs act as positive role models for group participants. Chefs allow HIM to offer a wide range of services and to connect with diverse social circles.

### Commitment expected

- 1-2 Two hour shifts per month. Wednesdays 5:30-7:00.
- We request a commitment for 6 months.

## Responsibilities and duties

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working with a team to plan and organize recipes and materials.</li> <li>• Maintain the kitchen and space.</li> <li>• Protect the confidentiality of the group.</li> <li>• Be able to act as a role model for safe and healthy cooking.</li> <li>• Be active in making the group a safe and welcoming space for all participants.</li> <li>• Contact group participants with details about the group. This includes: changes, updates, what to bring, and other details.</li> <li>• Clean up and maintain the group space.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communicate with HIM manager/coordinator about needs and concerns of the group and yourself.</li> <li>• Respect diversity of the participants.</li> <li>• Ensure ingredients and supplies are prepared prior to group start.</li> </ul> |
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## Qualifications

Required qualifications	Preferred qualifications
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experience in cooking is essential.</li> <li>• Capacity to lead a small group of volunteers through the steps needed to make a large quantity of soup.</li> <li>• Ability to work with people from a variety of backgrounds and social/economic circles.</li> <li>• Ability to create recipes based on what the Vancouver food bank donates that week.</li> <li>• Flexibility, good listening and adaptability.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experience in group facilitation is a benefit.</li> <li>• Food safe training is also beneficial</li> </ul>

## Training

Training provided by HIM	Other training you might bring
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HIM institute</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Other training in front line service work is beneficial.</li> </ul>

## Other details

- The type of cooking experience you have might vary, if you wonder if your experience would match this position, please inquire or come in and discuss.