



Healthcare Employment Advancement Ladder (HEAL) LA Peer Community Health Worker Training Announcement



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Learn to use your experience of homelessness to gain a meaningful career helping others! CSH is thrilled to announce a **paid training** to help formerly homeless candidates benefit from the growing demand for peer support workers with their unique background and skills. This 230-hour course will begin in June 2017. The training is free, and participants will receive a stipend during the course.

Learn how to support people experiencing homelessness, to outreach and engage those with significant healthcare needs and to enhance care coordination services. Peer community health workers are peer specialists who bring tremendous value to homeless services organizations, community health centers, and hospitals.

Successful participation in this training program will put you on track for a growing number of employment opportunities across Los Angeles County as a Peer Community Health Worker.



To be considered for this program applicants are required to:

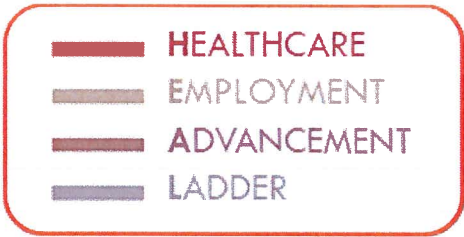
- Submit a completed application by **April 10, 2017**
- If your application is complete, you will be scheduled for a phone interview
- Qualified applicants will be interviewed by a selection committee in person

Applicants must have:

- Lived experience of homelessness
- Interest and willingness to help others in recovery who are dealing with life challenges

For more information, contact Andy Perry
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Training Opportunity



HEAL PEER SPECIALIST COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER TRAINEE APPLICATION

PART I: PERSONAL DATA

LEGAL NAME (First, Last) _____

PREFERRED NAME (if different from above) _____

BIRTHDATE _____

GENDER _____

PREFERRED GENDER PRONOUN _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

APT # _____

CITY _____

STATE CA

ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____

CELL PHONE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

RACE / ETHNICITY _____

PREFER NOT TO SAY _____

PRIMARY LANGUAGE _____

SECOND LANGUAGE _____

ELIGIBLE TO WORK IN U.S.: YES NO

VETERAN: YES NO Branch of service: _____

MILITARY SERVICE: Dates of service _____

Discharge type: _____

MARITAL STATUS (circle one): Single Married Common Law Divorced

EDUCATION (circle highest degree completed):

GED/HS Trade / Associates* Bachelor* MA /PhD*

*What was your field/major? _____

ARE YOU A TENANT IN ANY TRANSITIONAL/PERMANENT OR SUPPORTIVE

HOUSING ESTABLISHMENT: Yes No

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THIS TRAINING OPPORTUNITY?

AGENCY OR PERSON WHO REFERRED YOU: _____

PART II: LIVED EXPERIENCE SURVEY

The HEAL PROJECT is designed to engage a diverse student roster with lived experiences – people with a mental health diagnosis who also have a history of incarceration, homelessness and/or substance use, for example. This diversity of experience reflects the needs and perspective of people in community Peer Specialists will work with. It's important to us as a peer program that our classroom reflect the people we support.

Please complete the following questions as accurately and honestly as you can.

HOMELESSNESS: Do you have a history of homelessness? Yes No

MENTAL HEALTH ILLNESS/TREATMENT/RECOVERY: Yes No

INCARCERATION: Have you served more than 6 months in prison/jail (consecutive or total time served)? Yes No

SUBSTANCE USE: Do you have a history of alcohol/substance use problems? Yes No

If you answered "YES" to any of the above questions, please briefly describe your journey:

Other than systems/service use please relate other unique personal experiences in your background that may reflect the needs or experiences of peers currently seeking services (this may include military service, membership in a marginalized group, or life events that affected your personal wellness or recovery)

PART III: PERSONAL INTEREST and QUALIFICATIONS STATEMENTS

On a separate document please respond to the following questions in order:

1. Why are you interested in training and working as a Peer Specialist Community Health Worker?
2. What has your personal lived experience brought to you as a person that you feel you can most helpfully share with others and/or the world?
3. How do you manage stress and adversity such as discrimination, poverty etc.? What techniques or strategies do you practice for your wellness and success?
4. What do you think people facing multiple life challenges like mental illness, homelessness, unemployment, and health problems most need from others?

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Your application must be accompanied by a **resume** or similar work history document and one brief **letter of recommendation**.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION

Applications are due by **April 10, 2017**.

You can **email** your application to

Andy.Perry@csh.org

OR

You can **fax** your application to the attention of Andy Perry at

(213) 623-4382

OR

You can **mail** your application to the attention of Andy Perry at

800 S. Figueroa St., Ste. 810, Los Angeles, CA 90017.