

# CAMP MOOMBA - GROUP LEADERS

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## Position Description

Group Leaders are the volunteers who make camp happen! This position is about facilitating a fun and safe time for every one of our campers. Group Leaders work in teams of two or three, and are responsible for a camper group of approximately 10 youth.

Being a Group Leader includes supporting camper groups, sleeping in shared cabins with campers, and making sure campers' wellness is looked after, everything from brushing teeth to supporting campers' feelings as they navigate group dynamics. Group Leader experience also includes late-ish nights (10-10:30pm is staff meeting), and early mornings (6:30-7:30am wakeups), and sometimes having our sleep interrupted based on campers' overnight needs! To learn more about Camp Moomba, please visit [www.youthco.org/moomba](http://www.youthco.org/moomba).

Group Leaders are required to be onsite throughout the duration of camp, March 7-8.

**This is a volunteer position for Camp Moomba.** Accommodation and food are provided during camp, and travel arrangements from the Lower Mainland in British Columbia will be arranged at no cost. Group Leaders will share accommodations with each other and/or with campers or other camp volunteers and staff.

## Responsibilities

### Group Leaders responsibilities include:

- Actively participate in camp life and camp activities – early mornings, chilly swims, and clean up included!
- Attend to campers' wellbeing needs in ability-appropriate ways to ensure campers' physical, emotional, social, medical and nutritional needs are being met:
  - Supporting campers in getting adequate nutrition and sleep (e.g. facilitating bed time and meal time at appropriate energy levels)
- Support positive camper group dynamics to ensure a positive experience for all campers
  - Using active supervision to create a fun and safe environment, including role modelling and encouraging positive relationships, and addressing concerning behaviours such as bullying
- Manage camper behaviour, including role modelling camp appropriate behaviour and addressing concerns with the Camp Director
- Assist with camp-wide programming
- Provide leadership and role modeling to all staff and campers
- Attend and participate in Camp Moomba trainings, including YouthCO Core Training (if not already completed) and Camp Moomba training (February 22)

### We are also looking for Group Leaders to take on additional roles as:

- *Leadership Youth Facilitator* (working with our campers who are 15, 16 & 17 years old to build leadership skills!),
- *Camp Photographer* (using a camp camera, or your own!)

## Qualifications/Experience

- Available for training (February 22) and Camp Moomba from March 7 & 8
- Be at least 18 years old
- Complete a criminal record check and vulnerable sector search
- Passionate about building supportive communities for youth living with HIV
- Experience with YouthCO, Camp Moomba, and/or our organizational values

## I'm in! How do I come to camp?

**We realize education and/or past jobs are not the only experiences that may make someone a great fit for our Camp Moomba volunteer positions!** As a peer-led organization, it is most important to us to choose volunteers who will connect with the communities that we work with, and are able to job responsibilities we have outlined here. **We want to see your application if you believe you will make a great Camp Moomba volunteer, whatever level of education or work experience you have!**

**We believe that youth are best positioned to connect with our peers on topics related to HIV stigma. Many of the youth at Camp Moomba are Black or Indigenous, and we strongly encourage applications from Black and Indigenous youth, as well as youth living with HIV, or youth who are impacted by HIV.** We strongly encourage youth who are under the age of 25, living with HIV or Hep C, Black, Indigenous, People of Colour, Two-Spirit, queer, trans, non-binary, and/or living with disabilities to apply.

Camp Moomba takes place at physical locations with substance use rules that apply to all substances, whether or not they are legalized, such as cigarettes, vapes, and cannabis. **We know that many people in our communities use these substances, and are committed to working with volunteers to meet these needs in ways that meet our program needs while at camp.**

**We work really hard to maximize the number of spaces we have for campers across BC! As such, we make determinations about the number of staff we can welcome based on current camper needs. At this point, we expect to have ten group leaders join us at winter camp.**