

**WE ARE CURRENTLY RECRUITING CRISIS RESPONSE VOLUNTEERS FOR OUR
2021/2022 WINTER TRAINING PROGRAM.**

Crisis Responders provide immediate practical and emotional telephone support to people who have been victimized by crime or tragic circumstances. Crisis Responders work rotational shifts through the day and afterhours. Occasionally, Crisis Responders may also provide on scene support at the request of Peel Regional Police. Crisis Responders during the business hours will be provided an opportunity to work out of the VSOP office. Currently all staff and volunteers are working remotely as part of the VSOP Pandemic Management Plan.

Victim Services of Peel is currently recruiting for Daytime and Overnight volunteers

Daytime Shifts: Weekdays: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm, 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm /
Weekends: 9:00 am to 12:00 pm and 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Overnight Shifts: Weekdays: 10:00 pm to 8:00 am / Weekends 4:00 pm to 11:00 pm or 11:00 pm to 8:00 am

- This volunteer role requires volunteers to commit to a minimum of 3 shifts per month.
- Training will commence Tuesday November 2nd, 2021; and will go through to the beginning of January 2022. Training involves 1-2 evenings per week (6:45 pm – 9:15 pm) and all sessions are mandatory. Training will involve live sessions via Zoom as well as independent learning sessions. Please ensure you review the schedule and confirm you can attend all sessions before submitting your application.
- Please note: the weekend session on the schedule will be a full day session and is mandatory for all trainees to attend. This will be the assessment date where candidates are assessed in a role play setting. Failure to attend this session will result in your application being deferred.
- **Candidates must possess the following attributes to be considered for the program:** must live within the Region of Peel or in relatively close proximity, must be 18 years of age or older, must possess excellent communication and interpersonal skills, must have an ability to handle high stress situations as well as exposure to traumatic situations and topics, and must also possess a valid driver's license and have access to a fully insured vehicle for scene attendance purposes.
- Once applications have been received and reviewed, candidates that are selected to move forward must participate in a telephone interview as well as an in-person virtual interview in order to be considered for the program. Once accepted into the training program, candidates must obtain a Vulnerable Sector Search through Peel Regional Police.
- Relevant experience is an asset but not necessary as all training is provided for this role.
- After 1 year of active service with the agency, volunteers may request a reference or recommendation letter to assist in their long-term goals.

The online application is available now at www.vspeel.org !

Please note: As there are a limited number of positions available for this training session, submission of an application does not guarantee your acceptance into the program.

Additionally, the application will close when we have reached the desired number of applicants.