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Volunteer Description: SextEd Website Programming

Purpose

SextEd is a sexual health education program which aims to provide information to youth via text messaging. Youth can text any questions they have related to sex, relationships, STIs, sexual diversity, etc., and a trained volunteer will reply to them within 24 hours. The program uses an online database and we need support managing the website and backend FAQ database.

Main Responsibilities

- Liaise with SextEd Coordinator to determine programming needs and communicate regularly to report any changes/edits/updates made to the database and/or website
- Support SextEd Coordinator in managing the SextEd website and/or database

Personal Qualifications and Skills

- Knowledge of the programming language Ruby for website programming
 - Ideally, familiarity with Ruby on rails, github, heroku, postgres, MySQL, and Wordpress local development
 - Alternatively or additionally, knowledge of HTML and Wordpress local development
- Reliable and detail-oriented
- Ability to take direction and work autonomously
- Respectful of deadlines and able to complete work in a timely manner
- Commitment to principles of harm reduction and anti-oppression
- Experience/knowledge in HIV/AIDS, sexuality, or sexual health an asset

Time Commitment

This position is approximately four hours per week. All volunteers are asked to make a six month commitment. We also ask that programmers are available for emergency help related to the changes they have made for six months after their commitment has ended.