

Support & Learning

- One-on-one support
- Facilitated peer/group sessions
- Referral to services providing wrap-around support
- Life, employment, and money management skills workshops

Skills-Training & Referrals

- Ongoing one-on-one support
- Referrals to external education and/or training institutions and services
- Address any remaining goals

Follow-up

To ensure the continued success of our graduates, we provide:

- A personal wellness plan
- Invitations to monthly meetings with peers to share support
- An outreach schedule with ongoing check-ins

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

For more information on Transitions from **front-line staff**, contact a Service Coordinator at one of the following Consortium members:

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TRANSITIONS

FOR PARTICIPANTS



WHAT IS TRANSITIONS?

Transitions is a program that supports **sex workers 19+** years of age who wish to transition into safer sex work, and/or reduce their reliance on, transition out of, retire from or exit sex work altogether. We help people of **all genders** and backgrounds move towards mainstream employment, without judgment or stigma. We **respect** your privacy and will always use the utmost discretion.

We respect sex work as work. We are not a saviour or a rescue project. Instead, we want to provide options that have been limited by governmental policies and societal attitudes around sex, sexuality, gender, race, class, and ability. Our aim is to **support each person's journey** towards reaching the employment and personal goals that they set for themselves.

WHO ORGANIZES TRANSITIONS?

Transitions is run by five local organizations that work with sex workers. Together, we form The Metro Vancouver Consortium:

- Aboriginal Front Door Society (AFDS)
- Battered Women's Support Services (BWSS)
- Health Initiative for Men (HIM)
- PACE Society (PACE)
- WISH Drop-In Centre Society (WISH)

“MORE
OPTIONS
FOR YOU”



WHAT ARE OUR GOALS?

Transitions has a wide range of objectives, but there are two long-term goals that the program aims to achieve:

- 1 To help you get and keep mainstream employment
- 2 To help you be safe, healthy and independent

WHO DO WE SUPPORT?

We work with sex workers of all genders, indoor and outdoor sex workers, Indigenous women, migrant and immigrant indoor workers, and survivors of violence and sexual exploitation.

WHAT DOES THE PROGRAM OFFER?

Transitions offers support in four key areas:

- Individual support and assistance
 - Including assistance with housing, detox, legal issues, and mental health/health services access

- Employment support
- Cultural support and social/creative activities
- Education and training support

TRANSITIONS PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Recruitment

- Information sessions to help people learn about the Transitions program
- One-on-one meetings with potential participants

Engagement & Goal-Setting

- Participant interviews to ensure program fit
- Needs assessment to identify personal strengths and challenges
- Coordinator and participant work together to map your personal change journey

