



Volunteer Role: Venue Accessibility Team Lead

Reports to: Venue Team Lead/ Accessibility Chair

Pjila'si! We're saving you a seat!

Do you seek new experiences and friendships? Are you passionate about sport or learning about Indigenous cultures? Join the North American Indigenous Games 2023 as we help the Mi'kmaw Nation prepare to welcome over 5,000 Indigenous youth from across Turtle Island (North America) from July 15 to 23, 2023. We're looking for individuals who are eager to make an impact by joining our volunteer team of 3,000 community minded leaders. We want everyone to feel that they belong and you can help. NAIG 2023 is organized and executed by the NAIG 2023 Host Society, which is a not-for-profit organization and the employer of this opportunity.

What's involved?

The Accessibility Lead is an essential part of each Venue Team (VTeam), with the responsibility to ensure that venues meet accessibility requirements and needs of all athletes, coaches, participants, and Elders.

Time commitment and responsibilities:

Pre-Games (September 2022 - July 2023):

- 7-10 hours monthly for Venue Team meetings (including planning and coordination of meetings), of which will ramp up to weekly in the two months leading up to the Games
- Attendance at Mission staff and Executive meetings may be required
- Involvement in development of venue site plans
- Training of venue specific volunteers

Games-Time (July 15-23, 2023):

- Availability for the duration of the Games (including bump-in/out), and for 3-5 days post-Games for assist with Venue decommissioning
- On-site coordination of venue accessibility needs and requirements, follows
- Point person for all visitors and spectators with accessibility needs (including: accessible entrances, parking, seating, etc.)

Expected start date: Fall 2022

What skills and qualifications are an asset?

Above all else, we require that all our volunteers have a desire to support and celebrate Indigenous youth as they pursue excellence in sport.

- Preference will be given to those who self-identify as a disabled, D/deaf, MAD person, but all applicants are welcome
- In depth understanding of accessibility needs and disability justice
- Experience with accessibility planning for large events
- Demonstrate respect for diversity and inclusion
- Knowledge of accessibility requirements for diverse needs
- Previous experience working with and directing volunteers
- Ability to communicate in an effective and kind manner both in person and in written formats
- Highly responsive, thoughtful, and forward thinking
- Proven organizational skills
- Ability to make quick, sound decisions in difficult or stressful situations
- Leadership positions are required to be a minimum of 18 years of age

Ability to speak French or other languages is considered an asset but is not a requirement.

We are looking for Accessibility Leads for both Competition Venues and Accommodations Venues.

I'm interested, how do I apply?

Please send a resume and letter of interest to the Volunteer Services Manager, Alex Cherry at volunteer@naig2023.com