**Location:** Port Alberni/Parksville

**In-person or Virtual:** In-person

**Number of hours per week:**One day every two weeks in the summer, to increase in the fall.

**Number of sessions per week:** One full day every two weeks.

**Proposed Wage for Accredited Music Therapists:**$40-50hr for one full day every two weeks depending upon qualifications.

\*\* Please be aware that the Music Therapy Association of British Columbia requires that in order to post a job it needs to meet our wage guidelines of $60 per/hr if one hour and $50 per/hr if more than one hour. As well, it should be noted that these are minimum suggested guidelines and individual music therapists may charge more. Please see[MTABC average rate information.](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com_-3Furl-3Dhttps-253A-252F-252Fwww.mtabc.com-252Fwhat-2Dis-2Dmusic-2Dtherapy-252Fhiring-2Dguidelines-252F-26data-3D05-257C01-257Cmkrahn-2540baptisthousing.org-257C372badc5f3014aaf683d08da3d18b108-257C6d130d9d3c0c4ebbb436cdf94d15d91e-257C1-257C0-257C637889473503233325-257CUnknown-257CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0-253D-257C3000-257C-257C-257C-26sdata-3D1u8EdI3r6WIqyiyzLwws-252FQfUuwiJIL8ScG0NNF4ceCc-253D-26reserved-3D0&d=DwMFaQ&c=euGZstcaTDllvimEN8b7jXrwqOf-v5A_CdpgnVfiiMM&r=K6Kr620PHK4WJ4vHFNOf02XOHZwL86cWXB4oQwgySfo&m=lAxAo2ySHpUpdNUiuaocAUlAIpSy7ioPklnsScBu24I&s=bIXyvNdpQS9xrx9xJCMqqN4zO6QMOE2oWThcS1HIe_E&e=)

**Start Date:**  As soon as possible

**Job Summary:**

Who We Are

At Lumara Grief & Bereavement Care Society, we envision a world where no one has to walk through grief alone. Our mission is achieved by creating compassionate communities that instill hope and belonging for those facing grief and loss. Since 2007, Lumara’s interdisciplinary team of facilitators, professional counsellors, therapists, and trained volunteers have been providing individual and family counselling, support and education for children, youth, adults, families, and professionals coping with serious illness, grief, and loss. We also run family bereavement camps, youth retreats, a virtual grief conference, and Indigenous Wellness programs. Lumara’s programs and services are provided from a variety of spaces: from the Lumara’s Parksville office and in the Wellness Centre in New Westminster; in a variety of retreat facilities and wilderness locations; in a wide variety of community spaces; virtually; and directly with individuals and families.

This Position

We are seeking a Registered Clinical Counsellor, Social Worker, and/or an Expressive Arts Therapist with a minimum of three years grief and loss counselling experience to provide in-person counselling sessions for bereaved children and youth with some family and adult work as well.

Through a partnership agreement with the Alberni Valley Hospice this position will provide services both for Lumara clients and for clients of the Alberni Valley Hospice. Sessions would take place at the Alberni Valley Hospice office in Port Alberni or at the Lumara office in Parksville.

Because this is a new position, the workload will be small to begin with (one day every two weeks in the summer). However, we anticipate the hours will increase in September particularly if the counsellor wishes to develop group programs or is flexible in working with bereavement clients of all ages. There is flexibility in scheduling which day of the week the counsellor would like to provide the sessions.

The pay range will be $40 - $50/hour depending on qualifications.

Experience & Qualifications

Bachelor’s degree or master’s degree in counselling, social work, or expressive arts therapies (music therapy/art therapy)

Proof of professional registration and liability insurance
3+ years experience in grief counselling
3+ years experience in general counselling work with children and/or youth

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