



Utilizing a harm reduction and rights based approach, *Shift* works with adults involved in the sex trade to assist in improving quality of life and reaching individualized goals.

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The program has three program intents:

Create safer working conditions by:

- Educating about harm reduction, human and legal rights in relation to the sex trade;
- Providing services and resources to improve quality of life for people involved in the trade;
- Presentations and education to community members, partners and allies;
- Providing outreach to indoor and outdoor sex trade workers.
- Providing counseling, case management and general support for people involved or exited from the sex trade
- Providing access to regularly updated Bad Date Sheets
- Providing basic needs support

Provide skills training/education opportunities by:

- Partnering with and referring people to educational and skill development programs.

Provide prevention and advocacy by:

- Providing legal assistance, court accompaniment;
- Provide prevention tools i.e. safer sex supplies;
- Working on key advocacy issues related to sex work.

Who is the program for?

Men, women and transgendered/transsexual people working in the sex trade. This includes people working on the street, massage parlors, escort agencies, strip clubs, and on the internet.

How to access the program?

Services are available Monday-Friday, 8:30 am to 12:30 pm, and 1:30 to 4:30 pm. Contact the program co-ordinator at info@shiftcalgary.org or (403) 237-8171.