

## **Western Massachusetts Recovery Learning Community Job Opening**

**Community Bridger, 15 hours per week.** Facilitate groups in local psychiatric units at hospitals based in Hampshire (Northampton) and Hampden (Holyoke/Springfield) Counties, and support people leaving those environments to transition back to community. This may include helping them get to appointments, filling out applications, checking out community resources, searching for housing, and spending time talking together about what's going on and how to move forward. \$14.50 to \$16.00 (depending on completion of core trainings, and bilingual abilities)

**Required:** First-hand experience with psychiatric diagnosis (you yourself being given a diagnosis), hospitalization (you yourself being hospitalized), homelessness (you yourself living without a home), problems with substances (you yourself struggling with addiction or problems with substances), and/or other life-interrupting challenges. Commitment to challenging racism, sexism, and other types of systemic oppression, and developing multicultural environments that can create a sense of belonging. Access to a reliable vehicle that you are able and willing to regularly use for work (including transporting people) is essential.

**Preferred/A Plus:** Experience having been hospitalized in a psychiatric unit strongly preferred. Knowledge of local resources; Knowledge of peer support and related movements. Bilingual/bicultural (bilingual in Spanish/English or ASL/English) a big plus; Intentional Peer Support, Alternatives to Suicide, Hearing Voices, and/or other peer support trainings.

Please submit a resume and cover letter that explains how you are a fit for this position to [info@westernmassrlc.org](mailto:info@westernmassrlc.org) **by Friday, September**

**4. Applications without cover letters will be discarded.**