

**Key Details:**

Job Title: Aquatic Program Assistant

Type: On-Call/Part-Time Contract.

Location: 3701 Danforth Avenue, Scarborough, ON M1N 2G2. This is a fully on-site position.

Rate: \$18.00 per hour.

Deadline: Submission of Online Application Form and a scheduled group interview time must be completed no later than August 14th, 2026.

Reports to: Coordinator, Aquatics & Leadership Programs

Vacancy: This is a position to be filled.

AI Disclosure: Variety does not use artificial intelligence or automated tools to screen, assess, or make hiring decisions. All applications are reviewed by our hiring team.

Variety is committed to building an inclusive workplace that embraces diversity, values differences, and supports the full participation of all employees. We welcome applications from those who are passionate about contributing to a workplace culture where everyone feels valued and included. We welcome applications from racialized persons/persons of colour, Indigenous persons, persons with disabilities, 2S & LGBTQIA+ persons, and anyone who can add to the diversity of our team.

About Us:**VARIETY GROUP OF COMPANIES OVERVIEW**

There are three companies that make up the Variety Group of Companies (Variety):

- Variety - the Children's Charity (Ontario)
- Variety Village
- Variety Club of Ontario – Tent 28

Variety - the Children's Charity (Ontario) supports programming for children with a disability at Variety Village and throughout the province. Variety programming is inclusive and powered by sport, transforming the lives of individuals and families, while creating more inclusive communities across Ontario.

Variety -the Children's Charity (Ontario) is funded through individual donors, corporate sponsorship, fundraising activities, federal and provincial governments, and foundations.

Variety - the Children's Charity (Ontario) is part of an international charity that has been in operation since 1928. The charity began in Pittsburgh and spread throughout the United States. The chapter in Ontario was the first chapter outside the United States and is now one of the 5 Variety Chapters in Canada. It was founded in 1945, and the original mission of the charity was to build a school for boys with a disability who could not receive an education in the mainstream school system. The school was called Variety Village.

Variety Village operated as a school until it became a centre of para-sport excellence.

Since the 1970s, Variety athletes and coaches have represented Canada at every summer Paralympic games. Currently, Variety Village is a 170,000 square foot facility and operates as a fitness centre for the general community as well as offering programs, training and camps for children of all ages and abilities.

Vision Statement:

“A Welcoming Community and World-Renowned Facility that Empowers All.”

Mission Statement:

“As a Charity, we embrace a people first philosophy, prioritizing inclusivity and support for all. Our Mission is to empower individuals to connect, thrive, and achieve their personal bests.”

Values:

Inclusivity: We host events, deliver programs, and create programs for all.

Respect: We foster a culture of mutual and equal respect.

Trust: We create a safe and trustworthy environment for active participation and are a trusted source of expertise.

Empowerment: We facilitate personal growth and development.

The Opportunity:

The Aquatic Program Assistant at Variety Village supports the delivery of safe, high-quality, and inclusive aquatic programming. Working alongside Swim Instructors and aquatic staff, this role assists with lesson preparation, participant support, class organization, and maintaining a positive learning environment.

This position is ideal for youth who are interested in developing leadership, communication, and instructional skills while gaining hands-on experience in the aquatics field.

Key Areas of Responsibility:

- Assist Swim Instructors with the delivery of safe, inclusive, and engaging aquatic programs.
- Support lesson preparation, including setup and organization of equipment and program materials.

- Assist participants with activities, transitions, and skill development under the direction of Swim Instructors.
- Support instructors in creating a positive and welcoming learning environment for children, youth, and individuals of diverse abilities.
- Encourage participant engagement and provide support to help participants feel comfortable and successful in the aquatic environment.
- Promote participant safety by following aquatic policies, procedures, and instructor direction.
- Maintain a clean, organized, and safe pool deck and surrounding areas.
- Assist with attendance tracking and other program-related administrative tasks as required.
- Communicate participant concerns, observations, or incidents to the appropriate aquatic staff.
- Participate in aquatic staff training, in-service sessions, and ongoing development opportunities.
- Demonstrate knowledge of and follow Variety Village aquatic emergency procedures.
- Perform other related aquatic duties as assigned.

Key Competencies:

- Minimum age of 14 years old and legally eligible to work in Canada.
- Current Bronze Cross certification required.
- Valid Standard First Aid – CPR C, AED, and Airway Management certification is considered an asset.
- Demonstrates responsibility, initiative, reliability, and a willingness to learn.
- Ability to work with children, youth, and individuals with disabilities in an inclusive and supportive environment.
- Strong communication and teamwork skills.
- Interest in pursuing future aquatic certifications, including Lifesaving Society Swim Instructor and Lifesaving Instructor certifications, is encouraged.
- Ability to work a seasonal schedule, including evenings and weekends as required.

How to Apply:

Interested applicants must complete an Online Application Form by August 14, 2026.

Online [Application](#) Form

Applicants should be prepared to participate in a multi-step interview process, which may include an in-water assessment. During the in-water assessment, applicants may be required to demonstrate swimming skills, rescue techniques, and/or their ability to teach a swimming lesson. This assessment provides applicants with an opportunity to demonstrate the skills, knowledge, and confidence required for the role.

Selected applicants will be required to complete the recruitment process, including any applicable assessments, and provide a satisfactory Criminal Record Check as a condition of employment.

Variety Village is committed to providing an inclusive and accessible recruitment process. Accommodation requests can be made at any stage of the recruitment process, provided the applicant meets the qualifications and requirements outlined in the job posting. Applicants are encouraged to communicate their accommodation needs when contacted.

We thank all applicants for their interest. Please note that only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

For more information, please visit: www.varietyvillage.ca