



JOB DESCRIPTION

Respond is the largest housing association in Ireland providing social housing and homeless services. We are building our team of people with ambition and ability to achieve our aim to meaningfully address the housing and homelessness crisis Ireland.

Role:	Childhood Development Support
Location:	Firhouse Family Hub, Tallaght, Dublin 24
Reporting to:	Service Manager
Terms:	Fixed Term – Part Time (20 Hours flexible Monday to Sunday)
Job Purpose:	To support the development of a range of needs led, programmes that cater for children and young people. This will include working in collaboration with the Child development coordinator.

Core duties and responsibilities:

- To work in accordance with the values, principles and philosophy of the Family Hub.
- Support the development and provision of quality out of school services and the introduction of integrated initiatives, responsive to children and young people's needs within the context of their culture and community.
- To support the Child youth development team to deliver planned schedule of activities for summer projects.
- Engage with children and young people and work to support the programmes for intervention particularly group activities and group work programmes as per the remit of the Family Hub support services.
- Focus on capacity building for children and young people to encourage them to shape and participate in the development of service design.
- Support children and young people with additional needs and/or vulnerabilities in all service provision and programmes as part of the team.

- To explore development of community based programmes in conjunction with the Child youth development team
- Engage in the ongoing development of links between supportive agencies.
- Support the child youth development team in the development and review of policies and procedures and with the collection of data in line with reporting requirements.
- In collaboration with the child youth development team and the service manager, maintain all health and safety standards to ensure all reasonable measures to safeguard the health, safety and welfare of children attending the service are in place.

The list of tasks is not an exclusive one and duties may vary from time to time.

Person specification:

- A relevant Diploma/ Degree in Youth Work, Social Care or related field
- Some experience working in a community focused youth work/childcare/family support homeless service setting would be advantageous
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills, possess good leadership and facilitation skills
- Aptitude and empathy with children and young people
- Good computer skills and knowledge of Microsoft office suite
- Report writing and administration skills
- Demonstrate a strong teamwork ethic and a capacity to work under own initiative
- Garda Vetting will be required on an ongoing basis