



## **WATERFORD TRAVELLER YOUTH SUPPORT PROJECT**

### **The Organisation**

Waterford Traveller Youth Support Project (WTYSP) is delivered by Children's Group Link and is the main local service in Waterford offering structured activities for young travellers aged 10- 18 years old. The project is funded by the Department of Children and Youth Affairs through the Waterford and Wexford Education and Training Board.

The aim of the project is to enhance the overall personal and social development of participants through recreational, educational and integrated programmes. We are now recruiting for the following position:

### **Part Time Project Worker – 20hrs per week**

#### ***Role & Responsibilities***

Young members of the Traveller Community have varying needs, customs, values and traditions which make them a distinct group. They must be acknowledged, recognised and embraced for themselves, have a sense of belonging, and have the right to reach their full potential.

This is a varied, interesting and challenging role with core responsibilities including, but not limited to, the following:

- Planning, coordinating and scheduling of programmes and activities for young travellers
- Full participation in the delivery of all programmes and activities
- Complete relevant funding applications
- Liaising with external agencies and other youth-serving organisations in order to develop and enhance service provision and to build relationships that are beneficial to WTYSP
- Monitor, evaluate and report on activities, programmes and services to the CEO of Children's Group Link in support of the reporting requirements of statutory agencies and funding bodies

In addition;

- The successful candidate will be required to support the delivery of core programmes and activities of Children's Group Link, as required.

#### ***Qualifications***

- Candidates must have a professionally endorsed background in youth and community work, or an equivalent qualification or relevant degree
- Ideally, a minimum of two / three years' experience in a youth work or similar setting

#### ***Person Specification***

The ideal candidate will possess the following qualities:

- An ability to treat young people's concerns with respect and sensitivity, while being aware of the limits that are required by confidentiality and the boundaries that govern the youth/youth worker relationship.
- Strong inter-personal skills with an ability to work on own initiative and as part of a team
- Proficient in report writing and the provision of quality information to meet specific deadlines
- Good knowledge of youth work practices
- Willingness to undertake training and upskilling as may be required of the role and as may be required by Children's Group Link
- Be comfortable in working flexible hours, with advance notice, that differ from normal start and stop times and that will include some evening work, on occasion
- Provide monthly supervision and support of student placements from Waterford Institute of Technology
- Have own transport and a clean driving license

### ***Salary***

- Salary will be in the region of €16,000 per annum

### ***Garda Vetting***

The successful candidate will be required to submit to Garda Vetting and a job offer is subject to a satisfactory Garda Vetting report

### ***Applications***

Candidates should send a letter of application and current CV, either by post or by email to:

Mr. Brendan Halligan

CEO, Children's Group Link

Oak Villa, Military Road

Waterford

Email: [brendanhalligan@childrensgrouplink.ie](mailto:brendanhalligan@childrensgrouplink.ie)

### ***Closing Date***

The closing date for receipt of applications is 5pm on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February

**Children's Group Link is an equal opportunity employer.**