

CarersBucks

JOB DESCRIPTION

- Job Title:** Young Carers Youth and Play Worker
- Work Times:** Twenty hours a week to be worked flexibly
- Salary:** £11,346 - £12,022
- Location:** Cover either the South or North of Buckinghamshire as assigned by the Young Carers Team Leader
- Primary Purpose:** To assist in organising and running young carer clubs, groups and activities.

Job Purpose/Main Tasks

- Develop positive and appropriate relationships with the young carers attending the Club or activity.
- Develop programs, plan activities and other opportunities that impact upon the young carers' social and personal developmental needs.
- Provide activities which can support growth of new friendships, new skills and provide fun and respite from the young person's caring role.
- To lead on the practical aspects of setting up, delivering and clearing away of club activities as directed by the Young Carers Support Worker leading the session.
- Lead the youth work and play work team at pre and post briefing sessions to record and review the outcomes of the young carer sessions.
- Ensure you plan, deliver, record, monitor and evaluate your work within the prescribed systems.
- Involve and respond to young people's needs in such a way to ensure real participation.
- Develop young people's feeling of ownership and responsibility for their Young Carers Club and their community.
- Adhere to all Carers Bucks policies and procedures, including Safeguarding, Health and Safety and Offsite and Hazardous Activity Guidance
- Ensure access to appropriate information and advice. (Signpost young people to other services if they require them).

- To liaise with parents/carers when appropriate
- To undertake training and attend team meetings, supervision and staff appraisals.
- Other duties commensurate with the post and the needs of the project

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Essential

- Experience of working with young people
- Effective communication skills particularly with young people but also with colleagues.
- Ability to plan, develop and deliver programs of activities for young people focusing on their personal and social development.
- Good interpersonal and team work skills
- Ability to record, monitor and evaluate your work
- Has an imaginative and enthusiastic approach
- Willingness to undertake appropriate training
- Commitment to Equal Opportunities
- Willingness to work hours after school and in the evenings

Desirable

- Youth work, play or sports coaching qualifications
- Preferably has skills and expertise, which can be usefully utilized in the youth work programme, e.g. sports, music, arts, outdoor activities, health awareness, photography, IT, dance, drama.
- Experience of working with vulnerable young people who might be difficult to engage and demonstrate challenging behavior