open position

CHILDREN’S SERVICES ASSOCIATE

COMPENSATION
$18.50/hr + $1.50/hr bilingual premium if applicable + Full Benefits

PROGRAM
Hamilton Transitional Housing-Hayes | 1631 Hayes Street, San Francisco, CA
Hamilton Shelter Program | Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, CA

REPORTS TO
Children’s Services Coordinator

STATUS
Part-Time and Full-Time

CLASSIFICATION
Non-exempt

UNION REPRESENTATION
YES – OPEIU, Local 29; initial fee + monthly dues

Hamilton Families

Our mission is to end family homelessness in the San Francisco Bay Area. Established in 1985, Hamilton Families is San Francisco’s leading service provider to homeless families, with carefully designed programs to prevent homelessness, provide shelter and stability, return families to permanent housing and support the well-being of children experiencing homelessness. We currently operate these programs across four sites in San Francisco and Oakland. For more information, visit www.hamiltonfamilies.org.

Program and Position Overview

Hamilton Families Transitional Housing in the North of Panhandle neighborhood houses and supports 20 families at high risk for chronic homelessness for up to 18 months. Families receive intensive social services to identify and address factors contributing to their homelessness to enable them to return to stable, independent housing and economic self-sufficiency. The program provides case management, employment readiness activities, job retention support, intensive housing search support and substance abuse recovery support.

The Children’s Services Associate is responsible for planning, organizing, and leading a wide variety of activities for children ranging in age from infancy to teens.

Primary Duties and Responsibilities

• Supervise children’s activities including playtime, snacks, tutoring, arts and crafts and field trips.
• Set up and clean up after children’s program activities, and maintain high safety and cleanliness standards in program.
• Work with Coordinator to develop and facilitate children’s and volunteer events and activities.
• Assist the Coordinator in outreach to potential new volunteers.
• Assist the Coordinator in contacting volunteers and maintaining communication with volunteers regarding Volunteer Program needs.
• Consistently evaluate children’s program activities and provide feedback to the Coordinator.
• Observe children’s program volunteers and assist the Coordinator in evaluating their performance.
• Maintain communication with families regarding opportunities for children within the program and within the community.
• Model and facilitate appropriate behavior for participants and staff, respond to participant requests in a professional and courteous manner, and observe and adhere to participant confidentiality standards.
• Respond appropriately to emergencies, including contacting appropriate staff and supervisor(s), interacting with police, fire and medical personnel as needed.
• Actively participate in staff development and staff training as required.
• Participate in coordinating and overseeing the afterschool program, including providing transportation, leading activities and homework help, and supporting children academically, socially and emotionally.
• Participate in weekly case review and other meetings.
• Assist in coordinating partnerships and on site programming.
• Capture participants data on salesforce.

Qualifications, Skills and Abilities

• High school diploma or GED required; Bachelor’s degree preferred, with a concentration in education, child development, social services, or a related field.
• 12 core semester units in early childhood education / development or must meet alternate California Community Care Licensing requirements for School Age Teachers. More info available here: www.ccld.ca.gov.
• Prior experience with children and/or families in an afterschool, classroom or preschool setting preferred.
• 6 months experience in any of the following:
  o Licensed childcare
  o Teacher assistance in Elementary/Middle school
  o Paid or volunteer work in school guidance or counseling programs
  o Paid or volunteer work in Physical Ed or youth development
  o Paid or volunteer work experience in human services
• TB (Tuberculosis) clearance, and fingerprint imaging (Criminal Background Clearance and Child Abuse Index Clearance) required post offer.
• Driving License & DMV Report required
• Sensitivity to the needs of homeless families; able and willing to work with diverse staff and clients.
• Excellent written and verbal communication skills.
• Proficient in Microsoft Office applications including Word, Excel, and Outlook, etc.
• CPR and First Aid certification required within first 6 months of hire.
• Essential job functions include using a telephone, working at a standard computer terminal; ability to follow reasonable ergonomic accommodations; sit and stand for long intervals; reach, bend, lift, and carry up to 40 pounds depending on position; and walk up and down stairs several times a day.

Compensation and Benefits

Hamilton Families offers a competitive wage and benefits package that includes employer-paid major medical and dental coverage, life and disability insurance, an employer-contributed retirement plan, and generous paid vacation, sick, and holiday leave.

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