



Teaching Family Home - Hamilton

Youth Horizons is a not for profit organisation which has been delivering a range of residential, foster care, education and community based services for over 18 years. It is dedicated to providing solutions for families and young people aged 0-20. These include young people with conduct problems or those at risk of developing such problems. It is driven to achieve the best possible life outcomes and is guided by our core values of Manaakitanga, Wairuatanga, Aroha, and Whanaungatanga.

And now we need someone extraordinary like you to be our Alternate Family Teacher in our Hamilton residence. This is a 32 hour per week permanent position with some sleep overs required, We also have casual positions available.

The house operates with full time live in Family Teachers. You work alongside them on a rostered shift basis.. It is mainly evening shift work, weekend work and sleepovers. The home utilises the "Teaching Family Model", an evidence based therapeutic model widely delivered overseas and in several of our services. It is effective in teaching young people to improve their behaviours and to build brighter futures. Full training in the Teaching Family Model is provided.

As an Alternate Family Teacher / Specialist youth worker, you will be responsible for:

- Supporting the other staff in their vital role with the young people
- Supporting and empowering the young people within the home to undertake their daily activities, meet their goals and work to bring about real change for them within a teaching model capacity
- Working collaboratively with external agencies such as the Police, CYF and other agencies to best support the young people, their needs and requirements

Key competencies include:

- Have the passion to enhance the lives of young people at risk
- You will have experience in working with young people
- Experience in working with a range of cultures
- Experience developing and facilitating the achievement of goals for young people with complex behavioural and support needs
- Previous conflict resolution experience
- Ability to critically analyse and problem solve
- Ability to build strong relationships with staff and external stakeholders
- You must have a full, clean drivers license

We will provide you with:

- 24/7 on-call support backed by senior clinical, cultural and TFM practitioners
- Full induction and on-going training in the TFM model and regular supervision

Please contact steve.stoner@youthorizons.org.nz or (07) 838 3671 to obtain a copy of the Position Description and Application form. Applications close 1 November 2015.



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