



YOUTH HORIZONS | KIA PUĀWAI

Our youth, our future

Help change young lives

Live-in house parents – Whangarei

- Want to make a difference in some of our most at-risk and vulnerable young people?
- Have experience in working with youth, being a parent or mentoring others?
- Keen to be part of a professional team working together to change lives?

We are seeking an energetic couple with backgrounds as parents, youth mentors, or who simply have a passion for helping change the lives of at-risk young people. The role is 'live in' where you will care for up to 5 young men aged 12-16 years with challenging behaviour. You will be responsible for the day-to-day household management of a Youth Horizons residential home, and manage designated staff members providing direct care in the home. The position of House Parent will model appropriate behaviours, display Youth Horizons consistent values and exercise good judgment when working with others.

What the young men need from you

- Your well-honed parenting/mentoring skills so each of them can thrive
- To live with you in our family home while they learn new behaviours, social and emotional skills
- To be safe and secure, accepted for who they are and treated with respect

The position is live-in, with a separate bedroom and bathroom for the Teaching Parents. We provide 24x7 support including active, on-site support from the Practice Leader, and in-home staff support. Our skilled clinical and cultural team will work with you to address the young people's behaviours and ensure robust plans are in place to support them.

The remuneration package includes a salary for each position, food and normal household expenses for the couple and a vehicle for work related travel.

The home utilises the "Teaching Family Model", an evidence based therapeutic programme widely delivered overseas and in several of our services. It is very effective in helping young people to learn pro-social behaviour to enable them to live in the community. Full training in the Teaching Family Model is provided.

We are keen for house parents to start as soon as possible and will be interviewing suitable applicants on an ongoing basis. If you are interested and would like to talk about the role, contact Te Ami Henare-Toka on 021 457 356 or teami.henaretoka@youthhorizons.org.nz

About Youth Horizons

Youth Horizons is a specialised non-profit organisation providing therapeutic services for young people who have complex behaviour and/or mental health needs. Our innovative approach combines evidence-based models of practice along with a focus on our core values of Manaakitanga, Wairuatanga, Aroha and Whanaungatanga. Our national office is in Auckland and we have over 250 staff and caregivers supporting young people and their families and whānau across Northland, greater Auckland, Waikato, Bay of Plenty, Hawkes Bay, Lower North Island and Lower South Island. To find out more about Youth Horizons, visit www.youthhorizons.org.nz