

## **Community Outreach Worker**

**Employer:** Riverbank Trust

**Hours:** 14 hours, (2 days per week). Expected to start the role in April 2024.

(This is a part-time role, but applicants interested in term-time-only working patterns may also apply.)

**Salary:** £25,000 - £27,997 F.T.E. subject to experience (1-year fixed term contract – possible extension if funding is secured.)

**Office location:** Holy Trinity Church Centre, Richmond  
(Work location – St. John's Hampton Wick Church)

Riverbank Trust is seeking to hire a Community Outreach Worker as we expand our services into the Hampton Wick area. We continue to see a rise in the number of families being referred to us for our services. This would be an exciting opportunity to be part of our expansion strategy and our mission to provide support and community, through the local church, to young single mums and vulnerable families.

We value long-term relationships, so hope to be able to make this position permanent beyond 1 year if additional funding is secured.

### **Essential Criteria**

First and foremost, the candidate for this role will have a sense of calling to Christian ministry to share the gospel and the love of Jesus through the gifts and particular skills they have. We expect the successful applicant to be regularly worshipping in a church.

The ideal candidate would hold a relevant qualification in any of the following including but not exclusively:

- Children and families work
- Education
- Psychology or a relevant therapy
- Social care or health

If you do not have any of the above qualifications but would like to apply, please contact us to discuss further.

### **Roles and Responsibilities:**

The community-based outreach worker responsibilities will include:

- Building relationships with families and spending one-to-one time with beneficiaries.
- Working with local schools and single-mum school families within the community.
- Supporting families practically at appointments or meetings with other agencies and assisting them in accessing additional support from local agencies.

- Supporting families with practical tasks at home and in the community and facilitating volunteers to be involved in practical support.
- Providing emotional and spiritual support to families through listening and prayer.
- Running small groups for vulnerable single parents including skills-based programs and social groups.
- Alongside the Riverbank Team, helping to facilitate special events during half terms and holidays to encourage relationships and build community amongst our Riverbank family.

There is also an expectation that you will:

- Attend weekly staff meetings on a Thursday morning and attend regular supervision with your line manager.
- Attend mandatory training and with the support of your line manager continue to develop your own learning and professional development.

In addition to these requirements, you may also on occasion be required to attend and contribute to additional events such as training, fundraising, or presentations to supporting churches and organisations.

### **Safeguarding**

We take safeguarding seriously and follow safer recruitment guidelines. Safeguarding training is compulsory and an expected part of the role.

### **Working Requirements**

- Flexible depending on requirements and availability.
- Occasional evenings and weekends as required.
- Staff development and training events
- 28 days annual leave pro rata

All appointments are made subject to a clear DBS check and references.

For further enquiries, or to request an application form, please send an email to [reni@riverbanktrust.org](mailto:reni@riverbanktrust.org)

**Closing date:** This position will remain open until a suitable candidate is identified.