

### JOB DESCRIPTION

<b>Job Title:</b>	<b>Youth Worker</b>		
<b>Salary:</b>	£26,780 - £29,974 FT 35 hours a week		
<b>Benefits</b>	<p>Five weeks annual leave plus Bank Holidays. Holidays increase after two years' service to a maximum of six weeks after six years' service. The holiday year runs from 1st April to 31st March each year. (Pro-Rata depending on hours and for sessional staff percentage added to pay).</p> <p>Excellent training and professional development opportunities</p> <p>Free parking available at all our sites</p> <p>YMCA Gym and Fitness Centre membership</p> <p>Discounted childcare</p> <p>Bike to work scheme</p>		
<b>Hours and Location of work</b>	Our posts are based across East Surrey. This is a permanent position all year contract. Please be aware that during the school holidays, hours may vary to include daytime provision.		
	<b>Area of work</b>	<b>Locations</b>	<b>Available hours</b>
	Youth Work	East Surrey areas including Caterham, Horley, Reigate, Redhill, Merstham and Tadworth	35 hours across 5 days to include a minimum of 3 evenings (up to 9pm).
<b>Responsible to:</b>	Youth Work Manager		
<b>Responsible for:</b>	Assistant Youth Workers		
<b>Job Purpose:</b>	To plan, deliver and evaluate youth club activities for young people and ensure that all safeguarding, regulatory and health & safety requirements are met. To actively engage young people in informal learning opportunities that promote their physical, mental, social and emotional development.		
<b>Background to role</b>	<p>If you have experience of working with children and young people and you want to make a meaningful difference to their lives while learning new skills yourself, we would love to hear from you.</p> <p>More information about our services can be found on our website <a href="https://www.ymcaeastsurrey.org.uk/children/youth-family-services">https://www.ymcaeastsurrey.org.uk/children/youth-family-services</a></p>		
<b>Main Responsibilities:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ To plan, deliver and evaluate YMCA East Surrey Youth Work offer including detached and centre-based youth work.</li> <li>➤ To coordinate YMCA detached programme – Y Bus and Street Talk including liaising with partner agencies. This includes driving our Y Bus.</li> <li>➤ To coordinate YMCA holiday programme including applying for funding and delivering trips / residentials.</li> <li>➤ To oversee part time staff and volunteers, providing professional support and guidance.</li> <li>➤ To actively engage with young people aged 10 to 18 in a wide range of youth work programmes that promote personal and social development</li> <li>➤ To deliver information, advice, and guidance to young people referring to specialist agencies where appropriate</li> <li>➤ To meet with young people and set an action plan to assist with their social and personal development.</li> </ul>		

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#### PERSON SPECIFICATION:

		Essential	Desirable	How measured (application, assessment, interview)
<b>Qualifications, Education &amp; Training:</b>				
	Introduction to safeguarding children and safeguarding adults training or willingness to undertake	X		Application, Interview
	Food hygiene training or a willingness to complete this	x		Application, Interview
	Level 3 Youth Work or equivalent professional qualification	x		Application, Certificates
	Clean driving license	x		Application, Certificates
	First Aid qualification or willingness to undertake this	x		Application, Certificates
<b>Experience</b>				
	Planning, delivering and evaluating detached and centre-based youth work.	x		Application, Interview

	Experience of supporting others in their work with children and young people	x		Application, interview
	Experience of running activities for children and young people.	X		Application, interview
	Experience of positively managing children and young people's behaviour in various situations	X		Application, interview
	Experience of planning, organising and carrying out tasks e.g. music, drama, art and cooking sessions.	x		Application, interview
	Experience of handling and administering medications		x	Application, interview
	Experience working in a community, educational, or social care setting.	x		Application, interview
	To oversee part time staff and volunteers, providing professional support and guidance.		x	Application, interview
<b>Abilities, skills, and attitude</b>				
	Knowledge of Safeguarding Children and Adults	x		Application, interview
	Ability to always hold the well-being and positive development of children and young people as paramount.	x		Application, interview
	Knowledge of the importance of play and youth work for children and young people's development.	x		Application, interview
	Demonstrate a positive attitude and can-do attitude	x		Application, interview
	Commitment to equal opportunities, diversity and inclusion	x		Application, interview
	Good communication skills	x		Application, interview
	Ability to work independently and as part of a team	x		Application, interview
	Ability to maintain safe working practices	x		Application, interview
	Commitment to the YMCA's Values, Aims and Purposes	x		Application, interview
	Kind, caring and committed to ensuring children and young people's needs are the highest priority	x		Application, interview
	DBS check for working with children and adults at risk	x		Application, DBS check
	Meet all criteria of Children Act 1989 and 2004	x		Application, interview
	Good record keeping skills	x		Application, interview
	Willingness to work flexible hours		x	Application, interview
	Hold a current driving license and be able to travel between sites	x		Application, interview