
Role

To support Children's Therapeutic workers and wider Haven Wolverhampton teams in ensuring that services offered to Children and Young People (CYP) are of a high standard. To help organize and take part in activities for children and young people in refuge accommodation and the Haven Hub.

To ensure safeguarding policies and procedures are followed and the wellbeing of CYP is at the forefront of all work carried out.

What are the benefits?

- You have an interest in working with The Haven Wolverhampton and would like the opportunity to learn new skills.
- You would like to share your existing skills and experience to benefit the organisations service provision to women and children.
- Certificate of achievements
- Reference letter upon completion of volunteering
- Work experience to add to your CV
- Access to guided support from The Haven team
- Become part of an established Volunteer Service which enables volunteer pathways to be progressing in education, training or paid work.

What activities will I be involved in?

- Ensure women and children spaces in refuge are safe and user friendly
- Provide child appropriate play sessions by taking feedback into consideration
- To monitor play equipment and the need for replacements according to health and safety requirements
- Attend external meetings with women and children to access support as required
- To understand CYP safeguarding and the importance of early intervention
- To keep up to date with national developments and innovative practices affecting women and with the relevant policy, legislation and current issues relating to the rights and needs of women affected by violence and abuse, including Haven Service User Participation Strategy and Supporting People Quality Assessment framework.
- To work across the project with refuge, community team and project leads within The Haven Wolverhampton to improve the involvement of women and children in their work.

- To participate in and facilitate meaningful involvement by running activities for CYP in refuge/ the Haven Hub.
- Organising and providing childcare and therefore enabling service users to access activities without childcare barrier

What skills and abilities will I need to have?

- Experience of working directly with women and children.
- Working towards a relevant and recognised Level 3 qualification
- A person-centred approach to supporting women and children.
- An awareness of issues affecting survivors of domestic abuse.
- Experience of work with CYP.
- Experience of designing and facilitating activities in a creative manner.
- Experience of engaging CYP in improving service delivery.
- Experience of setting up and managing new developments and activities/projects.
- Good planning and organisational skills.
- Experience of working independently, organising and prioritising own workload.
- Excellent communication skills and ability to work as a team

Additional Information

Location	The Haven, Wolverhampton
Hours	1 day per week/ Flexible
Training	Volunteers will be expected to complete the following training: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Domestic Abuse Awareness (one-day course) • Safeguarding Adults and Children.
Responsible to	Training Manager
Expenses	The Haven offers reimbursement of travel expenses

Due to the nature of our work, Schedule 9 (1) of the Equality Act 2010 applies therefore applications from women only will be considered.

Under the Care Standards Act 2000, all roles are subject to an Enhanced Disclosure from the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS).