

Social Support Worker - Job Description

St. Patrick's Salesian Residential Services is seeking to employ a Full time Social Support Worker to work in St. Patrick's Home, Sliema.

The role:

The role of the **Social Support Worker** involves taking good care of a group of boys in a house within St. Patrick's Home. The chosen person needs to have the required skills and abilities to care for children in their physical, social, educational, emotional and spiritual needs. The Social Support Worker is directly accountable to the Care Services Coordinator. This role requires that the chosen applicant is available for morning/ afternoon and night shifts including shifts during weekends and Public Holidays, on a roster basis. The chosen candidate needs to create a safe, supporting and nurturing environment for the residents and needs to be a good team player. The Social Support worker together with the House Leader and other staff team members will work to implement the child's care plan as necessary.

The following are the main roles of the **Social Support Worker**:

- Responsible for a group of boys in relation to their daily living and during activities
- Be able to connect emotionally with the children in their care and to respond appropriately to the day-to-day developments of the children's life
- Foster a sound structure and maintain order and discipline in a loving and caring fashion
- Teach life skills to our boys both formally and informally through positive role-modeling
- Create and maintain a warm and welcoming atmosphere in the house
- Responsible for maintaining a suitable level of orderliness and hygiene within the home including cleaning of common areas and bathrooms, washing of clothes amongst others
- Record relevant daily events about the young person including significant details to enhance good communication and appropriate follow up by other professionals
- Be responsible to manage resources and budget adequately
- Prepares quality food on a daily basis
- Helps and supports the residents in their homework and studies
- Accompanies the boys to school and back and to other activities as required
- Provide medical assistance in adequate time and in an appropriate manner
- Responsible in providing to the residents a positive life experience
- Be a good team player with the aptitude to learn and to support colleagues when needed
- Participate in staff meetings and staff training sessions
- Attend for regular supervision sessions
- Ensures a good quality of service

- Ensures a safe and healthy living and working environment for the boys and staff
- Collaborate in periodic service evaluation
- The ideal candidate need to have at heart working with youngsters who have difficult background and who are at times challenging. The person would ideally be knowledgeable about the Salesian spirit and ethos

Terms & Conditions:

The Social Support Worker will form part of the St. Patrick's Residential Services team and will be directly accountable to the Care Services Co-Ordinator. The appointee will start at Scale 13 and have a basic salary of €15,955 per annum rising by annual increments of €335.50 up to a maximum of €17,960 together with the Government statutory bonus of €512.52 annually. The post is subject to six months probationary period. The person appointed will be subject to the rules and regulations of the Salesian organisation. An induction phase will follow as well as a training period, as necessary.

Requirments -

The applicant need to possess:

A qualification related to the Care Sector

A clean driving licence and own car

Good Police Conduct

Previous work experience in a residential setting is considered as an asset

How to Apply:

Interested candidates need to send a covering letter showing their interest together with a detailed CV and the contact details for 2 Referees to Fr. Eric Cachia, Rector, St. Patrick's, St. John Bosco Street, Sliema. SLM 1925. or on rector@spmalta.org by Friday 25th May 2018