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Are you interested in supporting children and young people with space2grieve?

We are excited to announce that we are looking to recruit people passionate about supporting bereaved children and young people to join our dedicated team of volunteers.

space2grieve is committed to diversity, equity and inclusion, enabling everyone to make a difference through volunteering and voluntary sector organisations.

Deadline for applications: 14th February 2025

If you are interested and.... available to come to the ETNA centre TW1 2AR on these dates:

Saturday 26th April. 9.30-4.00 Thursday 1st May 7.00-9.00pm Saturday 10th May 9.30-4.00 Thursday 15th May 7.00-9.00pm Sunday 1st June 9.30-4.00 Saturday 7th June 9.30-4.00 Saturday 14th June 9.30-1.00 (half day)

And... meet all the essential criteria below:

Personal Specification - Specialist bereavement supporters for children and young people

Essential

- Experience of working with children in a professional or voluntary capacity, for example, in a school, nursery, church or youth club. *This could include listening to children reading in a primary school for a minimum of one academic year.*
- Experience using counselling/listening skills in paid or unpaid employment.
- Awareness of the impact of personal experience of death and bereavement.
- Ability to manage sensitively and with compassion the needs of a young client within the boundaries of the service offered.
- Ability to maintain client and volunteer confidentiality.
- Good basic IT skills including email.
- Ability to maintain a professional approach at all times with fellow volunteers, young clients, parents and school staff.
- Confidence in own judgement and initiative but able to seek guidance as appropriate from supervision, Designated Safeguarding Leads and the Service Management team.
- Ability to be self-reflective, autonomous and practice self-care.
- Awareness of and commitment to diversity, equality, and inclusion and the implications for supporting bereaved clients.

Able to commit to:

- Attend the full experiential training programme and induction (dates above), including completing the written requirements of the course.
- Complete Level 2 CYP Safeguarding course whilst training with space2grieve and undergo Enhanced DBS Check.
- Travel throughout Richmond borough to see children at the venue most appropriate for their needs (including schools).
- Volunteer within school hours and/or between 4pm and 6pm seeing a minimum of 2 child clients a week for 45-50 minutes each.
- Attend monthly 2 hour group supervision sessions.



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Desirable

- Qualification in working therapeutically with children and/or adults.
- Resident of Richmond borough.
- Experience of supporting bereaved children.
- Holder of a current and transferrable Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS)certificate
- Holder of transferrable safeguarding certificate.

If you want to make a difference to the lives of people in their grief, then we welcome your application.

Please note if you are successful in your application there is a cost of £350 for the training course.

Why do we charge for the course? Unfortunately sometimes people apply for a voluntary position with a charity, attend the training course but then never go on to volunteer with the charity or complete the full course. As a small charity, with a limited number of training places available, but an ever growing waiting list - charging you to do the course is a huge help to us financially (as we have to pay for administration, trainer and room) and shows us that you are serious, both about the time commitment required to complete the course and about volunteering with us. If you cannot afford this amount, but would like to apply, please get in touch to discuss other ways you might demonstrate your commitment to obtain a reduced fee or bursary. Once you are volunteering with us there are no further charges at any point.

Still interested? We hope so! To register your interest and receive an application form please email:

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