

Job Title	Relief Youth Worker
Employer/ Agency	HARRIS COUNTY
Job Description	<p>Under the direct supervision of the Shift Supervisor, the Youth Worker supervises, monitors and counsels residents in the Shelter in accordance with the guidelines set forth by the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services Licensing Division. Transports youth when necessary. Organizes and participates in program and recreational activities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Counsels assigned residents experiencing emotional distress in order to help them accept their past, cope with their present and plan for their future. • Ensures that youth needs are met and appropriate personnel are informed. • Discusses with youth issues related to any incidents of emotional distress, provides nonjudgmental feedback and documents encounters. • Addresses unacceptable behavior when required in order to maintain a safe environment for all residents and staff. • Intervenes when youth are engaging in behaviors that are contrary to program rules encourage youth to comply with program rules in a non-confrontational manner. • Uses behavior management program as a teaching tool. • Documents all incidents involving youth accidents, injuries, illness, signs of emotional distress, medications and other information on required forms. • Completes documentation prior to ending shift or leaving for the day. • Completes progress notes that reflect assessment, intervention and planning for youth interactions. • Utilizes assessment skills to determine response to incidents; documents all incidents accurately and timely. • Completes intakes, discharges and progress notes in a timely manner and accurately. • Utilizes assessment skills and critical thinking in decision making. • Establishes therapeutic relationships with the youth to enhance the shelter mileau. • Utilizes the behavior management system as a teaching tool. • Completes incident reports as needed. • Completes progress notes for each resident and notes all pertinent information in client file. • Organizes and provides organized activities during free time to enhance social skills, and emotional development. • Plans and organizes activities for youth during free time. • Arrives at work on time and calls in when absent or lateness is unavoidable and uses time clock as required. • Follows agency protocol when taking off work, calling in sick. • May be required to assume responsibilities of shift supervisor as needed. • Reports child abuse allegations and emotional or physical abuse of a child according to minimum standards and Kinder Shelter policy and procedures. • Marks, launders and folds clothing. • Attends staff meetings, mandatory trainings and maintains annual training hours required by licensing. • Works as a team player and is respectful to co-worker and supervisors. • Ensures the opportunities for skill development in the areas of personal hygiene,

	<p>decision making, independent living skills and problem solving occurs for youth in the program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensures that youth are dressed and groomed appropriately for scheduled activities. • Insures that residents clean their rooms/areas thoroughly. • Provides a safe environment for all youth and staff in the shelter. • Reports and completes work orders as needed
Qualifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A bachelor's degree in a social science arena, e.g., psychology, sociology, social work, criminal justice or related field. • One year of paid experience working with youth and their families in a youth service agency in an institutional, counseling, or social service setting. • A valid driver's license, liability insurance and reliable transportation. • Knowledge of protective services, child and family development, child management, family systems, community resources, and Justice of the Peace processes. • Must be 21 years of age. • Knowledge of principles, practices, and techniques of case management and administration, case management documentation and records management. • Skill in empathizing, valuing, and dealing successfully with the special capabilities, distinctive cultural histories, and unique needs of people of various socio-economic, ethnic, and cultural backgrounds.
Salary/Hours	Depends on Qualifications
Employer/Agency	HARRIS COUNTY
Address	1310 Prairie Street, Ste. 170
City, State, Zip	Houston, TX 77002
Telephone Number	713-274-5444
Email Address	employment@bmd.hctx.net
Application Method	Apply online: http://agency.governmentjobs.com/harriscountytexas/default.cfm?action=jobbulletin&JobID=1621105
Opening Date	01/03/17

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