

FRIENDS OF THE FAMILY

...SEEKING OUTSTANDING HUMAN SERVICE/SOCIAL CHANGE PROFESSIONALS ...



Home Visitor/Parent Educator, Home Visitation Program

Friends of the Family is seeking an outstanding human service practitioner to work as a Home Visitor/Parent Educator providing a variety of services in our Parents as Teachers Program (PAT Program). Successful candidate will work closely with a supervisor and as part of a team totaling six home visitor/parent educators to strengthen parent/child connections within families, increase parent knowledge of and capacity to facilitate healthy child development, and connect local families to community resources and groups. In addition, the Home Visitor/Parent Educator will be charged with providing home based case management services for PAT Program families to include in-home education, life skills counseling and support that will ensure safe and stable homes and well-prepared preschool and kindergarten children. Extensive training will be provided.

HOURS/SALARY: FULL TIME; position may require evening and/or weekends

START DATE: ASAP

DUTIES/RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Acts as a member of a team of six home visitor/parent educators to provide case management services, service connection and coordination and resource linkages for high-risk new mothers and their families
- Develops and facilitates twelve Group Connection activities designed to assist families build social connections, reduce isolation, and engage parents in healthy interactions with their children
- Facilitates increases in parents' knowledge about child development and skills to implement developmentally appropriate family activities
- Makes home visits to PAT Program participants to address issues related to promoting healthy families including pregnancy, post-partum and inter-conception care and assists with daily life management for at-risk women, children and their families
- Facilitates family engagement with developmental screenings for children at least 4 months old that will assess hearing, vision and language skills. Facilitates screenings for intellectual, socio-emotional and motor development skills, as well as annual health visits
- Attends all PAT Program meetings and workgroups providing written reports to PAT Program supervisor
- Maintains accurate and timely case files and provides data for county-wide data base

EDUCATION/QUALIFICATIONS/SKILLS:

- AA or Bachelor's degree in early childhood education or related field; Will have at least 2 years previous **experience working with infants and toddlers**, young children and their caregivers; equivalent work/life experience may be considered as a substitute for degree level credentials. Prior PAT trained highly encouraged to apply but not required.
- Fluent in oral and written English & Spanish, **Required**
- Must possess a warm, outgoing, patient, empathic interpersonal style, **MUST** have the ability to establish trusting relationships, **MUST** have the ability and desire to work with children and their families of all cultures
- Capacity to master program's 5 core competency areas (family support and parenting education; child and family development; human diversity within family systems; health, safety and nutrition; and relationships between families and communities)
- Open to participating in Reflective Supervision
- **MUST** be abundantly energetic, tireless and passionate about working with children, families and our community
- Excellent oral and written communication skills, required
- Experience with in-home visits, preferred
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team cooperatively and cohesively with other staff members
- Strong organizational and decision making abilities
- Proficiency in Word, Excel, Power Point, Access, Publisher & Outlook, a must
- Ability to travel out state for required training within a month of being hired
- Must have a car, be able to drive, have a valid CA driver's license, and current auto insurance
- Satisfactory completion of all background screening requirements

CONTACT: HR MANAGER

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NO CALLS, PLEASE