The Children's Foundation

Job Description

Caregiver – Respite Program

**Please note this is an in-person, in-home, role with no remote work option available.*
***This position is located in Surrey, BC. While preference will be given to candidates residing in Surrey, applicants located in the Lower Mainland region will be considered.*
***This role requires a spare bedroom in your home and a willingness to collaborate with families.*

The Children's Foundation Respite Program is seeking skilled Caregivers to provide weekend respite services to families who are caring for children and youth ages 0-18 years with complex needs such as Autism (potentially low functioning) and\or other developmental and behavioural conditions. Working as part of a team, Caregivers with the Respite Program have the opportunity to make a significant impact in the lives of high-needs children and youth. The ideal candidate will have experience and a broad understanding of Autism/ADHD and/or FASD. Training will be provided upon hiring.

Caregivers will need to be vetted (SAFE home study) and trained according to the Ministry of Children and Family Development (MCFD) standards. There will be an integrated transition period between the family home and yours, supported by Childcare Workers and a Program Coordinator. The Respite Caregiver must be willing to work collaboratively with the family and be trained in the specific needs of the child or youth they will be caring for. This may include following a designed care plan or treatment program prescribed by a Behaviour Interventionist.

The Caregiver needs to supervise and attend to the child or youths needs during the respite weekend. While the minimum commitment is only one weekend per month (48 hours, typically operating Friday afternoon to Sunday afternoon,) there may be opportunities to provide care for additional youth, up to a maximum of three weekends per month. This allows you to provide much-needed respite to even more families while also expanding your Caregiving experience.

Caregivers will be compensated at $250 per day ($500 per weekend,) up to a maximum of three weekends per month ($1500/month.)

The Children’s Foundation is committed to providing culturally safe and competent care to Indigenous children and youth. We strongly encourage applicants with knowledge and understanding of Indigenous cultures, traditions, and values to apply. Experience working with Indigenous communities and/or a willingness to learn and participate in cultural training is highly valued.If you, or someone you know, is willing to give at least one weekend/month to give a family much needed respite, we would like to meet you.

Please send your cover letter and resume attention to: Angie Casoria (angie.casoria@childrens-foundation.org) and Utsav Patel (utsav.patel@childrens-foundation.org) by email or fax 778-395-3327.

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