



## POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT – PLEASE POST

POSITION TITLE: Residential Counselor  
PROGRAM: Garfield House  
OPENING DATE: June 8, 2018  
CLOSING DATE: Open Until Filled  
HOURS/WEEK: 32

**SCHEDULE:** Specific schedule to be determined but expected to include a combination of week-end day and swing shifts plus additional hours for staff meetings and supervision. However, this schedule may be adjusted according to the needs of the program.

**WAGE/BENEFITS:** Beginning wage is \$13.60/hour. Janus offers an excellent benefits program including medical, dental, life & long-term disability insurance; EAP; 401(k) and paid time off (varied eligibility waiting periods apply). Voluntary optional coverages are also available.

**TO APPLY:** Submit a resume and cover letter to Sylvia Spencer, c/o Harry's Mother, 738 NE Davis St., Portland, OR 97232 or by e-mail to [spencer@janusyouth.org](mailto:spencer@janusyouth.org).

Due to the volume of applications received, we regret that we can contact only those applicants who are invited to interview. If it happens that you are not contacted to arrange an interview, please know that we are grateful for your interest in employment opportunities at Janus Youth Programs.

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**SUMMARY:** The Residential Counselor oversees the day-to-day operation of our shelter facility. The position provides individualized youth care, planning, supervision of daily routine, individual and group counseling, crisis intervention, and close intensive supervision of clients. Residential Counselors participate in team decisions regarding treatment of clients and issues related to facility operation.

This program operates 24-hours per day, 365 days per year.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Any combination of education, experience and training that demonstrates the ability to perform the duties of the position is qualifying. This would typically include:

- Prior experience working with adolescents in a residential treatment setting preferred.
- Advanced education, training, and experience are preferred to effectively conduct the responsibilities of the position.
- Preference may be extended to current employees of Janus Youth Programs, Inc.

### REQUIRED ABILITIES:

- Must value working in a multicultural/diverse environment.
- Ability to work effectively in the following areas: Cultural diversity; team-dependent models; crisis management; systemic theory; strength based theoretical orientation; adolescent development; and family reunification. Ability to work effectively may be demonstrated through academic experience, job experience, references, and interview answers.

- Extensive exercise of independent and team coordinated discretion and judgment.
- Ability to work effectively as a team member and within a team-dependent environment.
- Openness to feedback and supervision.
- Ability to climb at least two flights of stairs.
- Ability to walk at least one mile in order to accompany youth on outings.
- Ability to accurately read, record, and interpret information.
- Ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing.
- Ability to provide visual and auditory supervision of clients.
- Ability to stay calm, alert, and emotionally available in an environment serving adolescents.
- Ability to perform and/or supervise routine household task (cleaning, cooking, emptying trash)
- Ability to exercise tact, discretion & judgment in working with a variety of people.
- Ability to maintain appropriate professional boundaries in working with others and in handling confidential information.
- Ability to stay awake and alert throughout assigned shift.
- Ability to regularly attend scheduled shifts and meetings, be punctual for all shifts and meetings, and be in a condition suitable for assuming the responsibilities of the position.
- Manual/physical dexterity allowing for performance of routine office and household tasks, such as phone use, computer use, faxing, copying, filing, bending, lifting, etc.

#### OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

- Driving is required; drives agency vehicle and/or a personal vehicle for travel and/or transport clients required. All employees who drive for work purposes must have and maintain a valid driver's license for state of residency, have a driving record that permits coverage under the corporate auto liability policy, and complete the agency's driving approval process before driving for work. If driving a personal vehicle for work purposes drivers must also have personal auto liability coverage (\$100,000/\$300,000 levels strongly recommended). Employees are not to drive for work purposes until they have received written authorization to do so.
- Bloodborne Pathogens training is required on first day of employment and annually thereafter.
- Must complete Mandatory Abuse Training within the first 30 days of employment and annually thereafter.
- Provides emergency first-aid, as needed, and must have and maintain standard first-aid/CPR certification.
- Must pass criminal history background check.
- Food Handler's Certification required within 5 days of hire.

#### WORKING CONDITIONS:

- May involve exposure to communicable diseases, including a variety of illnesses and infections such as the common cold, TB, Hepatitis, flu, meningitis, and HIV.
- May involve exposure to upset, angry, severely traumatized or emotionally disturbed children, adolescents and families.
- May involve time in excess of routine schedule and/or overtime, including evening/overnight, and/or weekend hours, and/or holidays.
- May require working and providing services at locations other than program site (i.e., restaurant, café, clients' apartments, etc.) and may, therefore, be exposed to environments not under agency control (i.e., second-hand smoke, varying hygiene practices, etc.).

This position description is intended to give the reader a general idea of the overall purpose and the main activities and responsibilities that are intrinsic to this position. While this description is intended to be representative, it is not intended to be limiting.

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