

Focus Ireland: Resettlement Worker, Prison Inreach, Limerick Homeless Action Team (<https://www.activelink.ie/node/109802>)



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Location: Limerick

Contract: Full-time, 1 Year Fixed Term

The purpose of this role is to provide a support service within Limerick Homeless Action Team that is both structured and practical to assist predominately prisoners who are a risk of homelessness upon release with the aim of identifying pathways into long term suitable accommodation.

What you will do:

- To provide assessment and advice to people who are homeless and in particular prisoners who are at risk of homelessness in Limerick upon release from prison.
- To participate where necessary in the Homeless Action Team.
- To visit prison services for professional and customer meetings as required.
- To attend and participate in network and allocation meetings as required.
- To enable and assist clients to source suitable private rented accommodation.
- To work with clients placed in emergency facilities with a view to securing long term accommodation and where possible, avoiding continued placement in emergency facilities.
- Assist clients in settling into accommodation and ensuring they are fully briefed on services available to them from external agencies.
- To receive and act upon referrals submitted via the interdisciplinary referral protocol.
- Assist persons who are eligible for social housing, providing information and assistance in presenting the application.
- Investigate cases thoroughly on behalf of Limerick City and County Council/Limerick.
- Homeless Action Team, maintaining links with other authorities, Gardai, CWO's etc.
- Increase access to health and social services for those experiencing homelessness.
- Create and maintain files and records of clients.
- To provide the Coordinator with monthly reports on the caseload and move on plans.
- To work with a client-centered approach, encouraging autonomy and independence.
- To make contact with and establish links as appropriate with local services and relevant community groups and to work closely where appropriate with housing providers.
- To manage an allocated caseload and adhere to Care and Case Management processes and protocols in particular to prison releases.
- To be aware of responsibilities and respond appropriately to any situation where child protection and welfare is a concern.
- To liaise with, work co-operatively and effectively with the other personnel in Limerick City and County Council | Limerick Homeless Action Team in relation to organisational procedures and policies in areas of personnel, finance, administration, research, development, education, public awareness and services.
- To work with and under the supervision and direction of the line management within Limerick City and County Council | Limerick Homeless Action Team and engage in supervision sessions on a regular basis.
- To be familiar with and comply with all relevant Limerick City and County Council Limerick Homeless Action Team policy e.g. Child Protection Policy, Confidentiality.

- Policy, Customer Complaints Policy, Health and Safety Policy, Personnel Policy.
- To maintain accurate records and statistics in accordance with Limerick City; County Council I Limerick Homeless Action Team policy.
- To be vigilant to any Health, Safety and Welfare risks in the workplace and bring any concerns to the attention of your line manager or Health & Safety Representative.
- To attend and contribute to Team Section and Agency meetings as required.
- To participate in relevant training and development courses as agreed with the Coordinator Homeless Services.
- To undertake such other duties as might be reasonably assigned from time to time in consultation with the Coordinator Homeless Services.

What you will need:

- A relevant Third Level qualification at degree level i.e. social care, psychology, sociology.
- Experience working in a social care setting.
- Experience working with singles with complex needs.
- Experience of dealing with child protection and welfare responsibilities and responding appropriately to any concerns.
- Experience in carrying out assessments, including risk assessments.
- Experience in developing support plans and carrying out reviews.
- Ability to deal with challenging behaviour.
- Ability to work alone and in a team setting.
- Ability to display flexibility in the role.
- Full clean driver's license with access to a car.
- Advocacy on behalf of a similar client group. *Desirable*
- Report writing skills. *Desirable*
- Information Technology skills. *Desirable*

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