

Barnardos: Family Support Worker (Part Time) - Southill Family Support Service (<https://www.activelink.ie/node/111788>)



Ireland's leading children's charity is recruiting:

Family Support Worker – Co Limerick

Location: Southill Family Support Service, Roseview Park, O'Malley Park, Limerick

Contract: Part-time (28 Hours), 4 year Fixed Term Contract

Salary: €21,632- €28,954 (Depending on experience)

Are you a purpose driven individual who is passionate about making a difference and helping some of society's most vulnerable children? At Barnardos, we pride ourselves on delivering impactful services that make a difference to the lives of children and families across Ireland.

We believe that childhood lasts a lifetime. As trauma informed specialists our core purpose is to provide the necessary support for children to overcome childhood adversity, embedding a trauma informed ethos and practice into every service we provide.

Why Work at Barnardos?

As a Family Support Worker, we appreciate the value of your time when providing essential services, that's why we have the necessary support structures and network in place that will allow you to make a real impact on the lives of children across Ireland. We also offer the following:

- Barnardos offers a competitive salary – recognising the experience you bring to the role
- Generous annual leave entitlements plus discretionary Company days
- Employee pension scheme with employer contribution/ Company Sick Pay Scheme
- Access to regular trauma informed support, supervision, training and many other professional development opportunities
- Tax saver and bike to work schemes in operation
- Access to the Employee Assistance/Wellbeing programme for employees and their immediate family members

What's the role / service?

We are looking for an experienced Family Support Worker to join our Family Support Service in Southill, Limerick.

Barnardos services seek to improve the emotional well-being of vulnerable children and their families.

What will my day to day look like?

As a Family Support Worker, you will play a vital part in providing practical advice and support to parents, helping to develop skills to identify and meet their children's needs. You will be responsible for the following:

- Providing Practical Support with budgeting, home management, hygiene, nutrition, play and behaviour management.
- Creating, reviewing and updating intervention plans along with the key worker and other project staff.

- Ensuring child protection, being vigilant for signs of abuse or neglect, reporting any concerns immediately and keeping accurate records.
- Identifying and documenting unmet needs of children / families within the service and participating in Barnardos advocacy work.
- Gathering information, updating databases and preparing reports

What experience do I need?

- Minimum 2 years' experience working with vulnerable children and families specifically within a child welfare context.
- Experience of delivering group work programmes to children in the community i.e. morning clubs, afterschool groups, stay and play groups is essential.
- Ability to empower vulnerable families to develop skills and avoid dependency.
- Understanding issues of confidentiality and establishing professional boundaries
- Confident working with databases and various computer packages such as Microsoft Office.

Do I need a qualification?

Yes, to be eligible for this role you will need to have a minimum of level 5 on the QQI in Working with Children. It would also be an advantage to have some training in specific parenting and group work approaches along with a knowledge of child development.

A Full driving licence and access to the use of a suitably insured vehicle essential.

The post-holder is initially assigned to work in the Limerick South Family Support Project but may be required in the future to work in other locations in the Limerick area in line with Organisational needs.

For full job description and to apply please visit [Current Job Vacancies – Barnardos](https://www.barnardos.ie/about-us/careers/current-job-vacancies/) (<https://www.barnardos.ie/about-us/careers/current-job-vacancies/>)

Closing date: 12pm Friday 20 December 2024

Interview date: To be Confirmed

Shortlisting will apply (please note, CVs are not accepted on their own, candidates must complete and submit our application form through Barnardos website).

Barnardos is an equal opportunity employer.

We celebrate diversity and are committed to creating an inclusive environment for all.

Region

Limerick

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