

Barnardos: Project Worker, Family Support – Dublin South Central (<https://www.activelink.ie/node/112300>)



Because childhood lasts a lifetime

Ireland's leading children's charity is recruiting:

Project Worker, Family Support – Dublin South Central

Location: Dublin South Central - Christchurch Square, Dublin 8

Contract: Permanent & Full Time (37 hours per week)

Salary: €34,212.75 - 52,882.71 (Depending on experience)

Why work at Barnardos?

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.

What we can offer you?

As a Project 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 and service?

We are looking for an experienced Project Worker to join our team in Dublin South Central. The primary purpose of this role is to conduct Initial Assessments (IAs) on low – medium risk referrals received from Tusla's social work department using the Signs of Safety approach to child protection and welfare concerns.

You will also implement programmes that respond to the needs of children and families referred to the service for family support work, working in partnership with families and other organisations, community, voluntary bodies and statutory bodies as appropriate.

What will my day to day look like?

- Conducting initial assessments on behalf of Tusla and to provide intensive family support to vulnerable families in the Dublin South Central Area
- Planning, implementing and reviewing programmes for children/young people/carers/families based on an assessment of their individual and group needs
- Implementing the Signs of Safety framework in Initial Assessments and to attend regular Signs of Safety Group Supervision as required
- Demonstrating high quality standards of practice, report writing, analysis and decision making across all cases; IA's and family support
- Providing recommendations to Tusla regarding whether the case should remain open to Tusla, referred to an agency or be closed
- Working in partnership with other Barnardos services to best meet the needs of children and families by collaborating resources with planned interventions targeting groups/families of shared need

What experience do I need?

- A minimum of 2 years' post-qualification experience of working with vulnerable children and families
- Planning, implementing and reviewing programmes with children and/or families
- Up to date knowledge on evidenced informed thinking with regard to interventions for children and families on an individual and group level
- Experience assessing children's and families' needs/ Preparing comprehensive needs led reports on children and families
- Understanding of Meitheal processes and using Signs of Safety as a tool for screening and assessing risk

Do I need a qualification?

Yes, to be considered for this role you will hold a recognised third level practice qualification (minimum Level 7 on the QQI) in one of the following:

- Social Care / Education / Social Work / Youth Work / Early Childhood Care and Education or related discipline (Nursing, Psychology, Early Years' Education).

Additional information:

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 Dublin South Central Family Support Project but may be required in the future to work in other locations in the Dublin 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 Wednesday 22 January 2025

Interview date: TBC

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

Dublin 8

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