



## **FAMILY SERVICES SPECIALIST**

### **Who we are:**

Saint Louise House provides long-term supportive housing to mothers with children overcoming homelessness in Central Texas. With a deep belief in the power of women to transform their lives, their families, and our community, our proven program provides stable housing and wraparound services with highly individualized support that fosters education, financial literacy, strong family relationships and healthy living, leading to a lifetime of self-sufficiency. Our work is guided by our values of Strengths, Empowerment, Simplicity, Humility, and Effectiveness.

### **Position Description:**

The Family Services Specialist works within the SLH solution-focused, strengths-based model to develop and implement programming for SLH children and youth to build resilience and social emotional skills. The Family Services Specialist supports mothers in utilizing positive parenting skills to improve and strengthen family relations. Responsibilities include the provision of one-on-one parent coaching, facilitation of parent support groups and workshops, facilitation of child and teen support groups and workshops, and maintenance of onsite parenting resource centers at both properties.

### **Position Responsibilities:**

#### **Children and Youth Support**

- Serves as the lead facilitator for the children's psycho-educational and support groups.
- Develops initiatives to increase positive interactions and social connections.
- Launches and oversees case management program for older teens at SLH and work individually with teens on goal setting and progress toward independent living.

#### **Parenting Support**

- Provides one-on-one parent coaching sessions to mothers at Saint Louise House to develop, nurture, and strengthen parenting skills and parent-child interactions.
- Facilitates groups and workshops for mothers using strengths-based parenting curriculum.
- Provides parenting education and resources to families.

#### **Community**

- Represents Saint Louise House in community partnerships related to Family Support Services.
- Provides expertise and consultation for SLH staff in supporting program participant needs around parenting and child development concerns.
- Partners with program staff to develop family support programming based on program participant feedback and needs assessments.



## **Qualifications and Skills**

- Strong knowledge of child development, trauma informed care, cultural diversity, and family systems.
- Familiarity of best practices to meet children's social and emotional needs.
- Experience facilitating psychoeducational and process groups.
- Knowledge of best practices in positive parenting strategies.

## **Education and Experience:**

- Preferred- Master's Degree in Social Work, Psychology, Counseling or a related field.
- Preferred- Experience working with families who are low-income and/or experiencing homelessness
- Preferred- Lived experience of parenting
- Experience working directly with children and families with a focus on social, emotional, and behavioral supports

## **Benefits**

Saint Louise House invests in our employees in many ways. We provide the tools and supports needed to all staff so that they can provide the highest quality of services to our families. In addition to fostering a positive, learning, and supportive work environment, we also offer:

- Competitive Salary
- Paid Time Off (160 hours a year)
- Paid Holidays (12 days a year)
- Health / Dental / Vision Insurance
- Life and disability Insurance

### **To apply for position send Cover Letter and Resume to:**

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