

# Family Worker The H.O.P.E. Program (Housing and Outreach to Promote Empowerment)

- Assist vulnerable young women aged 16-25 and their children
- Child protection and family case management skills required
- Part time (3 days per week) to June 2019
- Lewisham based
- Salary packaging available and 9.5 % superannuation

Our person-centred HOPE program, based at Lewisham, has an exciting opportunity to work with vulnerable young mothers and children within the inner west of Sydney. The position of Family Worker will assist "at risk" young women aged 16-25 and their accompanying children. The women and children will be case managed as a "family" by the H.O.P.E. Program, with the key aim of ensuring both mother and child's needs are met.

CatholicCare Sydney is the official social services agency of the Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Sydney. We are a leading not-for-profit agency providing care and support to people in Sydney across a wide range of social services: Children and families, relationships, ageing, disability, employment, mental health and youth programs.

# Successful applicants will have the following:

- Ability to undertake the duties of the role in accordance with CatholicCare's Mission, Vision and Values and its Code of Ethics and Conduct and CatholicCare's Person Centred Framework.
- An ability to be a team player demonstrated through communication, follow through on plans and strategies, seeing one's self as part of a team
- Relevant tertiary qualifications in social work or social sciences related field or equivalent
- Demonstrated experience in working with young women with complex needs (e.g., homelessness, trauma, domestic violence, experience in out-of-home-care, mental health, or substance abuse issues etc.) and therapeutic case management
- Strong knowledge of child development, child protection and ability to integrate this knowledge into case management
- Ability to liaise directly and communicate effectively with clients and other key stakeholders and partners in the field to achieve best outcome for clients
- All applicants applying for a child-related position must provide a Working with Children Check Clearance Verification Number
- A current NSW Driver's Licence and access to and willingness to use a comprehensively insured vehicle for work purposes

# **Further information**

Contact Ruth Farrer, Program Manager on 02 9509 1103.

#### How to apply

After reviewing the above selection criteria please email jobs@catholiccare.org the following:

- a brief letter addressing the selection criteria, describing how your skills, work experience, qualifications/training and personal attributes match each of the selection criteria; and
- a brief resume.

(Applications that do not address the selection criteria or provide a resume only may not be considered).

## The selection process

CatholicCare may use a range of tools and techniques to assess the suitability and relative merit of applicants including, but not limited to the following:

- interview
- assessment activities
- referee reports.

## **Applications close**

4.00 pm Thursday 29 March 2018

CatholicCare requires the preferred applicant to undertake a National Criminal History Record Check prior to employment and may also require a Working with Children Check.

CatholicCare is an Equal Opportunity Employer and Employer of Choice for Women. People of Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and other culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds are encouraged to apply; people living with a disability are encouraged to apply.