POSITION: PART-TIME YOUTH SPECIALIST WORKER FOR THE RECEPTION CENTER

SUPERVISOR: DENNIS ORR

RATE OF PAY: $10/HR

TYPE OF POSITION: PART-TIME - VARIES

DESCRIPTION OF WORK:

Screen all youth brought to the Juvenile Services Center to determine level of risk and need for placement. Ability to provide crisis intervention with youth and parents and make referrals to local community resources.

As needed, implements behavior management programs with Individual residents, including observing, assessing, and recording residents behavior, application of consistent behavior based contingencies such as positive and negative reinforcement and implementation of unit rules and regulations, and modification of individual programs as necessary.

Assists residents in mediating disputes, use of time management techniques, and completion of school and related academic assignments; implements crisis intervention therapies as needed.

Records, assesses and communicates pertinent client information to unit staff members, parents/guardians, court officers, and others concerned with the disposition and/or treatment of residents, as needed.

Maintains and updates resident files, including preparation of behavioral statistics and reports.

As needed, assists in planning, scheduling and supervising daily activities of residents.

Reports resident progress and offers recommendation for further therapeutic and/or disciplinary actions to officers of the courts, parents/guardian, private therapists, school and related officials. Occasionally testifies in court.
Responds to unit problems and emergencies, and takes appropriate action as situations demand.

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

Baccalaureate Degree in Psychology or a related social science, with a minimum of one year experience in a child care facility or a related position, Master’s Degree preferred.

Ability to obtain certification in IYAS, SASSI, CANS and MAYSI-2 assessments, as well as TCI, First Aid, and CPR.

Must have knowledge of local resources for youth and families such as substance abuse and counseling services.

Must be 21 years of age and have a valid Indiana Driver’s License.