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**JOB POSTING – POSITIONS AVAILABLE**

***YOUTH SPECIALIST (Youth Leadership Development Program)***

The Youth Leadership Development program oversees, facilitates, promotes and documents the development of sustainable youth empowerment, engagement and leadership activities as they relate directly to youth in Erie County's Children's System of Care, targeting youth receiving services from the family Voices Network of Erie County, mental health, social services, and juvenile justice systems. This program develops the network of actively participating youth utilizing the philosophy and values of the children's wraparound process. The program develops, supports and facilitates a youth-led Youth Advisory Board and Steering Committee utilizing a potential pool of youth that includes, but is not limited to youth who have completed or are near completion of wrap services, social services, youth who have completed chemical dependency treatment, juvenile justice services, or presently active in the Youth Empowerment/Leadership Steering Committee on the Erie County Youth Advisory Board. The Youth Advisory Group and Steering Committee will, with the support of Youth Leadership Development staff, oversee the accomplishment of the following broad outcomes and related metrics:

- ❖ Development of Youth Leadership
- ❖ Empowerment
- ❖ Engagement

Successful candidate must have excellent engagement skills to work with youth. Must work well as part of a team and be willing to work non-traditional hours. Excellent organizational skills needed. Car and clean license required. Minimum qualifications include a Bachelor's Degree in Social Work/Human Services, plus two years experience in developing youth leadership; or an unusual combination of education and experience. Reports to Youth Coordinator.

See attached Job Description.

**Above position requires:**

- ❖ **Non-traditional hours (evenings and weekends)**
- ❖ **Positive attitude towards job, coworkers and Agency**
- ❖ **Team player**

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