Preschool Teachers

Mari’s Place, a key part of the success of Community Outreach in Corvallis, is currently seeking full-time teachers for our Infant/Wobbler and Toddler/Preschool programs. If you love working with young children, helping them learn and grow, making a difference, and having fun in a nature-based preschool, Mari’s Place may be the right place for you.

Schedule:
- Full-time, hourly, overtime eligible
- Day shift
- Monday through Friday

Reports to Director of Child Care

Salary: $16.00 - $17.00 per hour

Benefits:
- Medical, Dental, Vision, Life and AD&D insurance
- 18 days of Paid Time Off (PTO) per year
- Holidays, including Birthdays off and two Floating Holidays
- Retirement plan
- SamFit discount
- Employee Assistance Program
- Employee Discounts

Work Location: One location

Position Purpose:
Oversee, and care for children in our Infant/Wobbler or Toddler/Preschool program, assist in developing curriculum and educational treatment plans, and maintain records.

Responsibilities:
- Infant/Wobbler Program - Oversee program, and care for up to four children ages 6 weeks - 2 years olds alone, or with others as available.
- Toddler/Preschool Program – Oversee program, and care for up to eight children ages 2 - 4 years old with a Teacher’s Aide.
- Develop, implement and evaluate center curriculum and individual educational treatment plans with the Director, ensuring that plans and activities are appropriate to the age, interests, needs, and developmental and emotional levels of the children.
- Maintain client records in a timely and professional manner.
- Follow all policies and procedures and promptly report any problems to the Director, including and especially suspected child abuse and neglect.
- Develop and maintain amicable, supportive, professional relationships with parents, children and other staff.
• Maintain clean, safe, neat, organized and attractive classrooms.
• May direct the work activities of TAs, volunteers and interns.
• Recommend plans and implement short field trips to enhance learning and fun.
• Other duties as required or assigned.

Qualifications:
• Must be at least 18 years old.
• Must have a Oregon Central Background Registry Number or be able to successfully enroll in the Central Background Registry.
• Must have a food handler's card and current CPR/First Aid certification, or be able to obtain these within 30 days of hire.
• Associates degree or equivalent combination of education and experience in Early Childhood Education, or at least to Step 8 in the Oregon Registry (MyOro) including the following courses (as required by the Oregon Early Learning Division):
  o Introduction to Child Care Health and Safety
  o Prevention is Better Than Treatment
  o Safe Sleep for Infants
  o Recognizing and Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect
  o Foundations for Learning
• Must have 30 credits of training in Early Childhood Education, HDFS or Child Development, or 15 credits of training in Early Childhood Education, HDFS or Child Development plus six months qualifying teaching experience.
• Strong classroom management skills.
• Ability to perform the essential position responsibilities with or without accommodations.

Preferred Experience:
• Understanding of the needs of homeless children and their families.
• Compassion, patience and skill in working with children who have behavioral challenges.

Special Position Requirements:
• Commitment to the goals of our social service agency and a willingness to be an advocate for our mission and our clients
• Ability to interact positively and, non-judgmentally with parents and children
• Ability to interact gently and supportively with center children
• Must meet physical ability of maneuvering 25 lbs., standing, kneeling, bending and sitting on the floor to attend to a child's needs
• Ability to function as a member of the Child Care Center team

Agency Conformance Statements:
In the performance of their respective tasks and duties all employees are expected to conform to the following:
• Perform quality work within deadlines with or without direct supervision
• Interact professionally with other employees, clients, donors, and outside agencies
• Work effectively as a team contributor on all assignments
• Work independently while understanding the necessity for communication and coordinating work efforts with other employees and organizations

About Community Outreach, Inc:
Community Outreach delivers appropriate services to help people help themselves and others lead healthy, productive lives. Founded in 1971, Community Outreach provides basic human services for homeless and very low-income individuals and families in the mid-Willamette Valley, including emergency shelter, transformational housing, case management, nature-based childcare, a food bank, medical and dental clinics, and rehabilitative counseling.

Community Outreach responds to human needs by providing direct services, and by collaborating with other agencies and organizations. Community Outreach assists people without discrimination, and treats them with respect, integrity, and dignity. In the broadest sense, Community Outreach intends to relieve pain and suffering, lessen oppression, meet basic human needs, and promote justice, equality, and diversity. At the heart of every one of our social service programs lies one of these major principles. They guide our individual efforts, and inform the thousands of small-scale decisions and interactions Community Outreach is a part of every day.

If you are qualified and interested, please send your resume to HR@communityoutreachinc.org, or mail it to:
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