

Volunteer Role Description Children and Family Intern

- ROLE TITLE:** Children and Family Intern
- LOCATION:** Restore Hope, Latimer Park Farm, Chesham, Bucks. HP5 1TU
- HOURS:** **Full Time**
Or
4 days at Restore Hope with 1 day at head office of major high street retailer
Sept 2017 – August 2018
Normal office hours are Mon - Fri - 8:30am - 5:30pm with occasional evenings and Saturdays
- BENEFITS:** Travel & subsistence expenses covered.
30 days annual holiday (Inc. Bank Hols) **(pro rata)**

RESTORE HOPE:

Restore Hope is a Christian Charity with a passion to see the lives of children, young people and families transformed. We are based on a 360-acre country estate near Amersham, Bucks and we seek to use the stunning location and facilities to see hope restored. We aim to achieve this vision through inspiring, training and equipping people to fulfil their potential and run a well developed & wide range of activities, events and training courses.

We believe that hope is ultimately found in Jesus Christ and partner with churches, schools and many other organisations to bring hope to those we come alongside. In order to reach even more lives we are expanding our team and seeking people who share our vision. This is a key season and an exciting opportunity to work in a beautiful location and join our growing team with a heart to see lives and communities transformed.

DESCRIPTION of INTERNSHIP:

This is an opportunity to join Restore Hope on a one year voluntary intern programme. As a charity we love to work with and support local families. We do this in practical ways through our weekly Mothers and Toddlers group 'Chat & play' and we run various programmes throughout the year such as parenting courses, back to work courses, English & maths courses, after school groups, craft groups, youth events and programmes to encourage budgeting and healthy but affordable cooking. As well as running our own groups we work with government led schemes, Children Centres, Family Resilience and Family learning. Alongside this practical support we seek to build long term relationships, share Jesus and partner with others to see hope restored and lives transformed.

This volunteer role is designed for someone who would love to be a part of this core part of the Charities work and would enjoy working with parents, young people and children in various ways. The core aim is to see our families inspired and encouraged for a brighter future for themselves and their children. We are therefore looking for someone who is keen to be a part of this, to help encourage these core values and practical steps. The role will require the appointee to fully embrace the vision and aims of the organisation and to be able to engage wholeheartedly with the Christian community at Restore Hope.

MAIN DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES:

- a. Support the Restore Hope team with weekly Chat & Play planning & set up
- b. Spend time getting to know our families, building relationships & praying with them
- c. Help to manage the Restore Lives Facebook page
- d. Support and lead current and new groups or activities
- e. Contribute to the development of new groups, activities, courses and events for our families
- f. Develop an understanding of assessing children and their needs
- g. Support and maintain administration needs for events and families work
- h. Help and support all crèche groups when other parent focused activities are taking place
- i. Assist in maintaining the cleanliness of Hope Place; our primary area specifically for our families work
- j. Attend and support the running of any events with children, young people & families

KEY SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE:

- a. A passion to see lives transformed
- b. Discretion, reliability and trustworthy
- c. Good communication skills
- d. Experience working with children, young people and families
- e. Current driving license and use of own car preferred but not essential

WHAT CAN RESTORE HOPE OFFER:

- a. You will have the opportunity to use your skills to work in an exciting growing charity with a vision to see the lives of children, young people and families transformed
- b. You will develop extensive experience across a wide range of activities and events
- c. The opportunity to work in an area of outstanding natural beauty
- d. You will be joining a passionate team
- e. Part of the role will be attending key worship, prayer and teaching events and you will have the opportunity to contribute to the spiritual life of the community at Restore Hope
- f. You will be assigned a line manager/mentor to help you get the most out of your time at Restore Hope
- g. Opportunity to work one day a week for a major retail head office
- h. Personal development programme, tailored to your own interests in line with your skills and aspirations
- i. Travel and subsistence expenses covered

APPLICATIONS:

Please apply in writing to the Charity Events & Volunteer Manager with your CV and a covering letter sharing why you would like to join Restore Hope and what you believe you would bring to this exciting role.

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