

**Caseworker, Friendship Works, London**

**37 hours per week**

**Grade 3 (upper): £30,556 - £33,180 per annum, inclusive of Inner London Weighting**

**Temporary Maternity Cover Contract**

Friendship Works is a service providing volunteer adult mentors for vulnerable children and young people who are facing varied and multiple challenges in their lives. Our mentors meet up with their mentees three weekends out of four for a minimum of two years. Established in 1977, Friendship Works is the UK's oldest mentoring service and a leader in attachment based mentoring services. We are currently supporting children and young people in Camden, Islington, Tower Hamlets, Harrow and Lambeth.

We are recruiting a caseworker to join our current team of four caseworkers, who are responsible for assessing children's referrals and preparing children and families for the mentoring relationship. You will also undertake all aspects of recruitment, assessment, preparation and training of the volunteer mentors. Once the mentoring matches have been made, you will provide weekly supervision to the mentor in order to safeguard the child in the match and, but also to support the volunteer and to help maintain motivation. Two days of this post is required to support our work with children in London Borough of Lambeth

You will have a relevant professional qualification or substantial experience of working with children/young people and families, including experience of working within child protection procedures and the safeguarding of children. In addition, candidates need to have a sound knowledge of child development and attachment and resilience theories. Good communication skills are essential and previous experience of training and supervision would be an advantage as would experience of working with volunteers.

Our Values: **People Focus, Mutual Respect, Excellence in all we do and a Can Do attitude.**

If you can relate to these and have the necessary skills and attitude we can offer you:

- A competitive salary, leave entitlement and pension scheme.
- Career development opportunities.
- A full induction and on-going quality training.
- The opportunity to become part of national Family Action initiatives.
- Managed workloads and regular supportive and reflective supervision.

**For an application pack and further information, please visit [www.family-action.org.uk/workingwithus](http://www.family-action.org.uk/workingwithus)**

**Please email completed applications to: [completed.application11@family-action.org.uk](mailto:completed.application11@family-action.org.uk)**

**Closing date:** 29<sup>th</sup> January 2021, 9am

**Interview date:** TBC

*Family Action offers good working conditions, a comprehensive training programme and a Group Personal Pension Scheme (GPPS). We welcome applications from all sections of the community.*



*Appointments are subject to Family Action receiving an enhanced disclosure from the Disclosure and Barring Service that we consider acceptable.*