

C.A.R.E. Home Parents Job Opportunity

Family and Children's Services of Waterloo Region is seeking Foster Parents for the C.A.R.E. Home Program.

Program Description

C.A.R.E. (Creating Alternative Residential Experiences) is a family supported home for youth. Through a trauma and attachment lens, C.A.R.E. home parents reside in the agency home and provide daily care, structure, and advocacy for up to four youth. They create a warm, engaging, and empathetic home environment to help the youth begin the healing process from traumatic experiences ranging from abuse to neglect. Currently, the agency has 8 C.A.R.E. homes in the community.

Supports

C.A.R.E. is a family based model that uses a team approach for the youth's individual treatments, family support, and recreational programming. Each of the 8 C.A.R.E. home parents work closely with an assigned child and youth worker 40 hours per week as well as a coordinator to provide support. C.A.R.E. home parents are provided with a house in the community along with a financial budget for maintaining the daily activities in the home. They have the flexibility to create a variety of programs for the youth as well as having access to a host of agency supports such as clinical consultants, training, and skills development opportunities.

Qualifications

Family and Children's Services of Waterloo Region is looking for a couples or individuals who,

- Are passionate about youth;

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is incorporated as the Children's Aid Society of the
Regional Municipality of Waterloo.*

- Have experience working with at-risk youth as a social worker, child and youth worker, or foster parent;
- Demonstrate knowledge and psychology around the effects of trauma and attachment;
- Have positive intervention skills and a consistent approach to parenting;
- Have the ability to develop strong relationships with youth; i.e., trust, respect, good listener, non-judgmental, understanding, empathy;
- Demonstrate excellent organizational and time management skills to address household, budget, programs, meals, and appointments;
- Demonstrate strong advocacy, sound judgment, and the ability to work well as a team and with community service providers;
- Can make a life style commitment for a minimum of 2 years.

**Being a C.A.R.E. home parent is more than a job,
It's a family lifestyle choice!
(a live-in position)**

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