

TASK LTI (Training, Awareness, Skills and Knowledge) Trainer / Assistant Co-Ordinator

About Southside Travellers

Southside Travellers Action Group began life as South Dublin Travellers Support Group (SDTSG) in 1984, when a handful of Travellers and settled people tried to prevent the eviction of a group of Travellers camped beside a church in Foxrock. In those days, much of the work of the SDTSG was focused upon fighting evictions and upon helping families to pick up the pieces after them. Our organisation has grown since then and now employs 39 people (28 of whom are community members living in the DLR area) who co-ordinate and staff our six core programmes of work. Our work is resourced by funds and significant support from a range of government departments and statutory agencies. In 2011, our focus remains on action and on ensuring that all of our work combines to ensure an improvement in the quality of life of Traveller citizens of Dun Laoghaire / Rathdown.

About TASK

Our TASK (Training, Awareness, Skills and Knowledge) programme – resourced by FAS, Co. Dublin VEC and Dun Laoghaire VEC – is a local training initiative (LTI) which provides a full time training and education programme to Travellers and their settled counterparts aged 18 – 25. Based in our purpose built education and training unit in our Sandyford Resource Centre, the Programme combines FETAC accredited training / education modules with intensive personal development, life coaching and one to one supports – our overall aim being to ensure that young Travellers are equipped with both the hard and soft skills required to actively participate in a contracting labour market. For 2012, our focus is on enhancing the skillset of participants to actively engage with the SMART economy.

About the role of Assistant Programme Co-Ordinator

We already have a Programme Co-Ordinator and are looking for another skilled, motivated and qualified individual to work with our Programme Co-Ordinator. Reporting to the Co-Ordinator, the successful candidate will:

- Work with the Co-Ordinator to recruit trainees, tutors and trainers for the Programme
- Deliver FETAC accredited modules
- Work with the Co-Ordinator and programme funders to develop and sustain a programme which continues to meet the specific needs of young Travellers
- Assist tutors and trainees to secure meaningful accreditation
- Provide ongoing and intensive support to trainees

About the Candidate

The ideal candidate will show – through the CV and in interview:

- an accredited train the trainer qualification or equivalent significant experience delivering accredited training in a quality training environment
- A proven track record of working with Travellers and a keen awareness of the nature and extent of exclusion experienced by the Traveller community
- Significant experience of working with the particular target group towards whom TASK is aimed
- Excellent and proven report writing, programme design, development and implementation, group work and facilitation skills
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills.

For more information on TASK and our work at Southside Travellers visit www.southsidetravellers.ie

Salary and Contract

The salary for the post is set, by FAS, at €29,700 pa and the contract is for one year renewable subject to funding being available.

Please forward a CV and covering letter – **marked TASK Programme Post** – to:

Catherine Morley, Director, Southside Travellers Action Group, Unit 5, St. Kieran's Enterprise Centre, Furze Road, Sandyford Dublin 18

Closing date for receipt of applications is 5pm on Thursday January 26th. Applications after the closing date will not be considered. Interviews will be held in Sandyford in the week commencing Monday January 30th.

Southside Travellers Action Group is an Equal Opportunities Employer