

Youth Work Ireland: Senior Youth Work Officer – Research and Development Team (<https://www.activelink.ie/node/115264>)



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Youth Work Ireland is the largest youth organisation in Ireland. We are a federation made up of 20 Local Member Youth Services (<https://www.youthworkireland.ie/our-members/>) and a national office. We support our members to deliver an Integrated Youth Services Model (https://www.youthworkireland.ie/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/integrated_services.pdf) to young people in their communities. This means that young people around Ireland can avail of a whole range of services and supports if and when they need them. We actively engage with over 76,000 young people every week. Over the years we have developed highly innovative services, supports and programmes for young people between the ages of 10-25 years, including youth justice projects, mental health supports, resilience building, anxiety programmes, drug and alcohol supports, LGBT+ youth work, club development, employability programmes, counselling services, rural outreach and fun safe spaces for young people to gather.

"Our vision is an Ireland of equality, access and participation for all young people"

Youth Work Ireland is now inviting applications from suitably qualified, motivated and experienced individuals with the vision and drive required to support best practice across our membership in the area of youth diversion and youth justice

This is an exciting opportunity for suitably qualified and experienced person to join a dynamic team within the national office of Youth Work Ireland and work with colleagues in the youth justice sector as part of the **Youth Diversion Project Research and Development (R&D) Team**. The R&D team is a multiagency team whose purpose is to develop and support best practice across all Youth Diversion Projects leading to improved outcomes for young people and families. The position is funded by the Department of Justice. The team is managed by a Team Leader on a day-to-day basis and overseen by a multi-agency grouping of Youth Work Ireland, Independent CBOs, Crosscare and Foróige.

If you feel you have the experience, drive and passion for the delivery of youth work in the context of youth diversion program and share the federal ethos of Youth Work Ireland, we would love to hear from you.

Applicants must have:

- Education to national degree standard in a relevant field
- Significant experience of working as a Youth Justice Worker on a Youth Diversion Project or 5 years' experience of working with at risk/vulnerable young people
- Extensive experience of outcome focussed programme design
- Experienced in designing, delivering facilitating and evaluating training and learning experiences for adults
- Experience in supporting and mentoring, with the ability to work collaboratively within a project team
- Experience of liaising with other services providers, policy makers and academics
- Experience of working as part of a multi-agency team
- Excellent presentation, written and verbal communication, IT and organisational skills
- Clean Driving License and own car.

Additional considerations for the role

Travel: This post will involve considerable domestic travel within Ireland for delivering trainings and attending meetings. Some European travel may be required from time to time in the context of ERASMUS funded networking, training and development opportunities.

Salary: Youth Work Ireland Development Officer Scale 12 Points: €39,306.28 – €56,089.51

Pension: Upon successful completion of a 6-month probation period, the successful candidate will be entitled to join the YWI company pension scheme.

To avail of this, the staff member must contribute 5% of their gross salary per month, in order for Youth Work Ireland to contribute 8.5% of the employee's gross salary to the member's scheme.

[Application Form>> \(https://www.youthworkireland.ie/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/Job-Application-Form-Senior-Youth-Work-Officer-Justice.docx\)](https://www.youthworkireland.ie/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/Job-Application-Form-Senior-Youth-Work-Officer-Justice.docx)

[Full Job Description>> \(https://www.youthworkireland.ie/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/YWI-Senior-Youth-Justice-Officer-April-2025-Final-1.pdf\)](https://www.youthworkireland.ie/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/YWI-Senior-Youth-Justice-Officer-April-2025-Final-1.pdf)

Applications:

Applications must be made by *letter of application* together with a CV, and Application Form to:
Ms Breege Kiernan, Youth Work Ireland, National Office, 20 Lower Dominick Street, Dublin 1. DO1YP97
or bkiernan@youthworkireland.ie (<mailto:bkiernan@youthworkireland.ie>)

- **Closing Date:** Friday 16th May 2025
- **First Interview:** 17th June 2025 (Youth Work Ireland National Office)
- **Second Interview:** 9th July 2025 (Youth Work Ireland National Office)

Youth Work Ireland is an equal opportunities employer



Region

Dublin 1

Date Entered/Updated

24th Apr, 2025

Expiry Date

16th May, 2025

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