

The Board of Louth Local Development invites applications from suitably qualified persons for the following post.

Traveller Family Link Worker - Louth ABC (Area Based Childhood) Programme

Our Vision	Our Mission	Our Values
A place which empowers individuals, families, and communities to participate in a county which is inclusive, diverse and sustainable	We empower and facilitate development and social change, through the delivery of a set of integrated supports which address the causes and consequences of social and economic disadvantage, and poverty	Our values represent the important principles and beliefs which underpin our work with the individuals, families, and communities that we serve. We foster a culture where these values are embedded across all our programmes and staff teams within Louth Local Development

Louth Local Development as Lead Agency is seeking to recruit a Family Link Worker position for Louth ABC Programme

Title	Traveller Family Link Worker
Status	Part time
Reporting to	Dundalk Home Visiting Coordinator, The Louth ABC Programme
Salary	€14.80 per hour
Note	Part-time position 15 - 20 Hours per Week

The Role: The primary function of the role is to act as a liaison worker between the Traveller community in County Louth and professional services when needed; It is also to act as a conduit to members of the Traveller community but also to articulate the needs of Traveller families to local services, creating more clarity around referral pathways, and champion culturally sensitive parent support programmes. The role will be based in Dundalk, Co. Louth.

The Person: This Person understands and appreciates the value of prevention and early intervention from the perspective of child development. You must be skilled in building relationships and engaging families that may require additional supports.

Responsibilities	
Principle Duties	 To engage with and deliver supports to families with children aged 0-6 within the travelling community in County Louth.
	 Develop and maintain strong working relationships with the Local Traveller community
	 Develop and support strong working relationships with and between the local Traveller parents, TUSLA, HSE and the various community organisations as appropriate.
	• To liaise with services to signpost supports as required, including those provided by Louth ABC Programme.
	• To help improve all aspects of the home learning environment for children up to the ages of 6, within the travelling community.
	 To support access to early child education for children within the travelling community.
	• To provide parental supports directly to parents from within the traveller community that are culturally sensitive and appropriate to the target group.
	Provide and maintain progress reports including outcomes for children and families
	 Deliver and facilitate community-based activities, such as:
	– Baby Massage
	– Baby Groups

– Toddler Yoga
 Stay and Play Sessions
 Parent & Toddler Groups
 Parent Support Programmes
Undertake other duties relating to the Community Families Programme as directed
by The ABC Programme Manager/Home Visiting Coordinator

Qualifications/Knowledge and Expertise

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	Minimum relevant QQI Level 5 qualification in either Early Years, Social Care, Youth &
	Community Work, Nursing, Psychology, Education or Health Promotion, or similar
Experience and Knowledge	Have 2 years' experience working in either of the Early Years, Social Care, Health, Youth, Education, Voluntary or Community sectors.
	Demonstrate in your application knowledge relating to Child Development, Early intervention, and community support.
	Experience working with and engagement within the Traveller community is desirable
Competencies	• Demonstrate a good understanding of interventions that promote positive outcomes for children and families
	Understand the importance of Early Childhood Education
	Understand and prioritise the needs and issues impacting on families
	Ability to build connections and engage with families and small children
	Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
Professional	Understand the importance of early intervention and early childhood education
Attributes	• Recognise barriers that prevent families from the traveller community from engaging with support services and early childhood education
	• Ability to engage with children and families from the traveller community who may have experienced trauma or difficulty engaging with services
	Ability to work on own and as part of a team
	Ability to work flexibly between the hours of 9am-5pm
Terms	This post is offered on a weekly 15 - 20-hour basis.
	 Location of the post will be based in Louth Local Development, Partnership Court, Dundalk - and the post holder will be required to visit homes within the areas identified by the Home Visiting Coordinator.
	 Access to a car and full driving licence is required.
	 Annual Leave – 8% of Hours Worked
Application Brocoss	CV and letter of interest can be submitted to <u>sonya.hyland@lldc.ie</u>
Process	 Closing date for receipt of applications is 12pm on Thursday 31st July 2025
	No late applications will be accepted
	 Interviews will be scheduled in person in our Dundalk office on the week of 11th August 2025
	You will be advised of the outcome of your application by email
	Please note this post is subject to Funding

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