



### **Childcare Support – 1 Year Casual Contract (15 hours per week)**

The Families Matter Society of Calgary strives to promote optimal child development and family resilience by helping caregivers learn about early childhood development, by providing concrete supports in times of need; by helping families build strong relationships, and by creating lasting, supportive social networks among families.

**JOB PURPOSE:** The purpose of this role is to provide centre-based childcare support to families with children newborn to six while their caregivers attend parenting support programming.

#### **DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Some post-secondary training in early childhood development (Diploma, Certificate, etc)
- Belief that children grow and develop through caring, nurturing and child focused interactions.
- Ability to maintain a high-quality environment that protects the health, security, and well-being of children.
- Strong knowledge of early childhood development.
- Strong oral and written communication skills.
- Self-directed, and able to take initiative.

#### **RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Support to children with various degrees of need in child support environment while caregivers attend programs in another part of the building.
- Establish and maintain a supportive environment for children and families.
- Build trusting relationships with children to allow them to feel comfortable and safe during childcare time.
- Provide developmentally appropriate activities to infants and children.
- Address concerns and implement effective interventions with children, utilizing advanced strength-based strategies through a lens of attachment.
- Support children in the development of their self-help skills and independence.
- Establish and maintain collaborative relationships with families.
- Ability to work in partnership to maintain cleanliness and organization of the space.
- Support toileting needs for younger children (as needed).
- Maintain best practice, a high quality of service.

Childcare shifts are typically 3.5 hours in length. Shifts take place at one of our two Family Centres: Horizon (3404 25 St NE) and Midnapore (#101 239 Midpark Way SE).

Childcare shifts will occur primarily during the evening on weekdays, with occasional support on weekends. As such, successful candidates will need to be available Tues/Wed/Thursday evenings. This posting is for 10-15 hours of work per week.

**Hourly Wage: \$18.00**

*Applications will be reviewed on an ongoing basis, so we encourage interested applicants to apply early. We appreciate the interest of all applicants however will only contact those invited for an interview.*

Please send a cover letter and resume to Jenn Stroeder: [JennStroeder@familiesmatter.ca](mailto:JennStroeder@familiesmatter.ca)

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