

POSITION DESCRIPTION

TITLE: Program Assistant

PERFORMANCE PROFILE SOURCE: Youth Development Professional

DEPARTMENT: Programs

REPORTS TO: Unit Director / Program Director

PRIMARY FUNCTION:

Responsible for assisting in the delivery of a broad range of programs within a designated Clubhouse, such as Education, Special Education, Social Recreation, Arts & Crafts and Physical Education. Assist with planning, development, and implementation of programs consistent with the organization's mission and goals. Responsible for escorting a designated group of Club members from one activity to another.

KEY ROLES (Essential Job Responsibilities):

Prepare Youth for Success

Assist with programs and activities that support Youth Development Outcomes:

- Contribute to the development of program objectives consistent with organizational goals and mission.
- Assist Program with delivery of day-to-day program activities in accordance with established standards and goals.
- Encourage members to participate in a variety of program areas/activities and provide instruction and constructive feedback to develop skills in program area(s).
- Model appropriate behaviors to assure conduct, safety and development of members.

Program Implementation

Adhere to Club goals and settings that insure the health and safety of members.

- Assist to ensure that program areas are safe, well ventilated and well lit; and that club equipment is maintained in good working condition.
- Utilize planning time effectively. Assist with preparation of program materials, obtaining necessary supplies, making photocopies, etc.
- Assist Program Specialists in evaluation of Club programs and assurance that the activities respond to member needs and address their gender and cultural diversity.



 Assist Program Specialists with proper record keeping and reporting including activities and events conducted, breakdowns of daily participation figures, notable achievements and any problems/issues.

Supervision

Ensure productive and effective performance by all assigned program staff and volunteers.

- Monitor assigned volunteers providing ongoing feedback and appraisal.
- Communicate training/development needs of assigned volunteers to Club administration.
- Ensure adequate Club member supervision at all times, maintaining proper staff-tostudent ratios and appropriate positioning to deliver effective programs and respond quickly to potential hazardous situations.

Marketing and Public Relations

Increase visibility of Club programs and maintain a positive perception of the Club in the community.

- Communicate daily schedule, announcements, and upcoming events to parents in a professional and timely manner. Ensure a consistent message.
- Contribute to appropriate advertising and promotions through the creation of letters, mailings, fliers, media releases, web page and social media.
- Greet parents and visitors promptly and professionally, assist with questions and needs.
- Wear official staff uniform, name badge, and/or B&GC attire.

ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES:

- May oversee special programs and/or events (snacks, field trips, parades, special events), and/or participate in the implementation of other unit activities as necessary.
- May be required to drive Club van periodically.
- May consult with parents concerning member and branch issues.
- May handle petty cash / credit card for purchase of program supplies.
- Other duties assigned by Club administration not specifically listed above.

RELATIONSHIPS:

- **Internal:** Maintain close, daily contact with Club staff (professional and volunteer), Club members, and supervisor to receive/provide information, discuss issues, explain or interpret guidelines/instructions; instruct, and advise/counsel.
- External: Maintain contact as needed with external community groups, schools, member's parents and other to assist in resolving problems.

SKILLS/KNOWLEDGE REQUIRED:

• Two year degree from a college/university, or approved equivalent experience.



- A minimum of one year of work experience in a Boys or Girls Club or similar organization planning and supervising activities based on the developmental needs of young people.
- Strong communication skills, both verbal and written.
- Group leadership skills, including an understanding of group dynamics.
- Demonstrated program planning and project management abilities.
- Mandatory CPR and First Aid Certifications.
- Commitment to continual learning and professional development through self-directed and assigned development opportunities.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS/WORK ENVIRONMENT:

Job tasks will generally occur indoors in an environmentally controlled environment but will periodically require program delivery in outdoor/off-campus activities in a variety of settings and weather conditions. Must be able to sit, stand, walk, run, jump and/or otherwise interact with youth for extended periods of time while delivering program content. Must be able to handle/carry necessary program supplies (with assistance) up to 30 lbs. Must be able to climb stairs and/or otherwise negotiate obstacles typically encountered during on-campus activities or off-campus outings. Must be able to safely enter, exit and operate Club vehicles.

DISCLAIMER:

The information presented indicates the general nature and level of work expected of employees in this classification. It is not designed to contain, nor to be interpreted as, a comprehensive inventory of all duties, responsibilities, qualifications and objectives required of employees assigned to this job.

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| Reviewed by: | Executive Director Date | 1 | 1 | |